

for everyone in the world in this time of Covid, 2020

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Chrsitmas at a Distance

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1 *Rubato* ♩ = 70

This is the year of Christ-mas at a dis-tance, Bum bum bumm. Bum bum bumm. Bum bum bumm. We're shel-tered in place by mu-tu-al in-sis-tence. Bum bum bumm.

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6 *rit. . . .* *a tempo*

Bum bum bumm. Bum bum bumm. The world wilts and waits in reck-less dis-ar-ray; Bum bum bumm. Bum bum bumm. Bum bum bumm. Tra-vel's still un-safe; e-ven

Allegro ♩ 120

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Swing 8ths

Bum bum bum We would ra-ther— ga-ther, but we know it is - n't wise.
 Bum bum bum ra - ther, ra-ther ga - ther, ga-ther, know it is - n't wise.
 Bum bum bum ra-ther— ga-ther,— know it is - n't wise.
 Bum bum bum ra - ther, ra-ther ga - ther, ga-ther, know it is - n't wise.
 loved ones stay a - way.— ra - ther, ra-ther ga - ther, ga-ther, know it is - n't wise.

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Straight 8ths

So we greet six feet a - part— in fa-mi-ly groups of fours and fives.— toom toom
 greet six feet a - part— in fa-mi-ly groups of fours and fives.— toom toom toom toom
 greet six feet a - part— in fa-mi-ly groups of fours and fives.— toom toom We
 not wise. greet six feet a - part— in fa-mi-ly groups of fours and fives.— Toom toom

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toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom
 toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom
 burst on - to bal-co-nies to sing Christ-mas ca - rols Re - mem-ber-ing a time when we did - n't face such
 Toom Toom Toom Toom toom Toom Toom

pe-rils. We wave from the win-dow when - e-ver a friend pass-es, We hold up cheer-y mes-sa-ges and
 pe-rils. toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom
 pe-rils.— toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom toom
 pe - rils. Toom Toom Toom Toom toom Toom Toom

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blow dis - tant kiss - es. We would ra - ther — ga - ther, — but we know it is - n't wise. — So all
Swing 8ths
 toom toom kiss - es. ra - ther, ra - ther ga - ther, ga - ther, know it is - n't wise. —
Swing 8ths
 toom toom kiss - es. ra - ther — ga - ther, — know it is - n't wise. —
Swing 8ths
 Toom kiss - es. — ra - ther, ra - ther ga - ther, ga - ther, know it is - n't wise. — not wise.

Andante ♩ = 80

eyes are on the mail - box; Gran-ny is send - ing a sur - prise. — Bah-dah Oo —
 eyes are on the mail - box; Gran-ny is send - ing a sur - prise. — *Melody* E - v'ry-bo - dy's bak-ing; — the
 eyes are on the mail - box; Gran-ny is send - ing a sur - prise. — *Harmony* E - v'ry-bo - dy's bak-ing; — the
 eyes are on the mail - box; Gran-ny is send - ing a sur - prise. — Bom Bom bom bom bom

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Melody

Oo

A poin-

Harmony

snow-man's— so - ur - dough, Mak-ing hous - es out of gin-ger - bread, trimmed with marsh - mal - low snow. A poin-

snow-man's— so - ur - dough, Mak-ing hous - es out of gin-ger - bread, trimmed with marsh - mal - low snow.

Bom bom bom bom Bom bom bom bom Bom bom bom bom

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set-tia plate of cook-ies— left at the next-door neigh-bors' Get-ting gro-c'ries, shov-'ling snow, help-ing with small

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Oo

Bom bom bom bom Bom bom bom bom Bom bom bom bom Bom bom

Allegro ♩=120
Swing 8ths

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fa - vors. ——— We would ra - ther ——— ga - ther, ——— but we know it is - n't wise. ——— We'll

fa - vors. ——— ra - ther, ra - ther ga - ther, ga - ther, know it is - n't wise. ———

ra - ther ——— ga - ther, ——— know it is - n't wise. ———

bom bom Bom bom bom ra - ther, ra - ther ga - ther, ga - ther, know it is - n't wise. ——— not wise.

67

cheer the lit-tle chil - dren with a San-ta Claus dis - guise. San-ta e - ven meets on - line___ to
 cheer the lit - tle chil - dren with a San-ta Claus dis - guise. San - ta to
 cheer the lit - tle chil - dren with a San-ta Claus dis - guise. San - ta to
 cheer the lit - tle chil - dren with a San-ta Claus dis - guise. and e - ven San - ta to

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an-swer child-ren's let - ters. ___ "Have you "Oh, we could-n't be bet-ter!" ___
 an - swer He asks them, "Have you "Oh, we could-n't be bet-ter!" ___
 an - swer He asks them, "Have you been good?" he asks "Oh, Oh, we And then he
 an - swer He asks them, "Have you "Oh, Oh, we And then he

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asks them, and hour - ly They an-swer, "Yes!"
 asks them, and hour - ly They an-swer, "Yes!" And do-in' our
 asks them, and hour - ly They an-swer, "Yes!"
 "Have you been wear-ing your masks and ho - ur - ly wash-in' your hands?" ___ "Yes!"

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e-ven though it's in Zoom - land." We would ra-ther ga-ther, but we
 home-work, e-ven though it's in Zoom - land." ra - ther, ra - ther ga - ther, ga - ther,
 e-ven though it's in Zoom - land." ra - ther ga - ther,
 e-ven though it's in Zoom - land." ra - ther, ra - ther ga - ther, ga - ther,

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rit. . . .

know it is - n't wise. We phone a friend who's lone - ly; try some kind-ness on for size. Next
 know it is - n't wise. phone a friend who's lone - ly; try some kind-ness on for size. for size.
 know it is - n't wise. phone a friend who's lone - ly; try some kind-ness on for size. for size.
 know it is - n't wise. not wise. phone a friend who's lone - ly; try some kind-ness on for size. for size.

Adagio \downarrow 65

95

rit. . . .

Straight 8ths
 year, we hope we're hug-gin' and a - kiss - in', in - stead of these vir - tu - al high fives.
Straight 8ths
 Oo stead of these vir - tu - al high fives.
Straight 8ths
 Oo stead of these vir - tu - al high fives.
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 Oo stead of these vir - tu - al high fives.