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♩ = 60

Flute

Mezzo-soprano

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Violoncello

p *p*³ *mf* *p*³

Let it come down: these thick-nes-ses of air have

7

long e-nough walled love a - way from love; still ness has har - dened un -

p *p* *mf* *pp* *p* *mp* *p*

11

mf *mf* *f*

til - words des - pair of their high leaps and kis-ses shut them-selves back in-to wish-ing.

mp *mf* *mp* *mp* *mf* *mp*

17

f *mp* *p* *mp*

Crip - pled lo - vers lie against a wea - ther which holds out on them,

f *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

22 $\text{♩} = 60$

f *p* *mf* *f*

mp *f*

wai-ting, a - wai-ting some shrill sign, some cry, some screa-ming cat that smells a sac-ri - fice and spells them

f *p* *f* *mp*

f *p* *mf* *mp*

f *p* *f* *mp*

f *p* *mf* *mp*

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29

p *mf*

thun-der. Start the mum-bling lips,

p *f* *p*

p *f* *p*

p *f* *p*

34

syl - la - ble by mo noto - nous syl-la-ble, that wash a way the sul - len griefs of love and

mf *f* *p*

mf *f*

mf *p* *f* *p*

p *f* *p*

p *f* *p*

p *f* *p*

37

drown out know - ledge on an an-cient war o, ill-willed dark, give

mf *p* *f* *mp*³

mp *mp*

p *f* *p* *mfp*

p *f* *mfp*

p *f* *p* *mfp*

p *f* *p* *mfp*

poco accel.

42

mf *p*

f *mp* *mf* *p*

with the sound of rain, let love be brought to ig - no - rance a-gain. let

mp *pp*

♩ = 72

45

mp *f*

mf *f*

love be brought to ig - no - rance a - gain.

f *f* *f* *f*