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to Cherisse Williams

$\text{♩} = 120$

Soprano

Piano

hold the notes

mf *mp* *mf* *mp*

5 *rit.* -----

S

Pno

mf *mp* *mf* *p*

9 *a tempo* *mf* *mf*

S

My Bro - thers and Sis - ters My Sis - ters and Bro - thers

Pno

mf *dolce* *arp.* *dolce*

The musical score is written for Soprano and Piano. The Soprano part begins with a whole rest in the first four measures, followed by a melodic line starting at measure 9. The Piano part provides accompaniment with chords and moving lines. Dynamics include *mf*, *mp*, *p*, and *mf*. Articulation includes triplets and sixteenth-note groups. The tempo is marked *a tempo*. The score concludes with a 3/4 time signature change.

14 *p* *mf*

S The leaves are chan - ging,

Pno *p* *mf*

19 *mp*

S So the minds of my bro - thers. The la - ven - der is

Pno *mp* simile

24 *p*

S mel - ting, So the tears of my sis - ters.

Pno *p* *8va* *8va*

28 *mp* *mf* *ad lib.* *mp*

S Hope-ful is the heart of hearts. Hope - ful are the

Pno *mp* *mf* *8va* *8va* hold the notes

8va *8va*

31 *mf poco rit.*

S spi - rits of my _____ bro - thers and sis -

Pno *mf*

simile

♩ = 108

35 *f*

S ters. _____ O Hope - ful _____ Hope - ful

Pno *f*

8va
Red.

39

S

Pno *mp* *p*

Red. * simile *Red.* * simile

a tempo ♩ = 120

44 *p nonchalantly* *poco a poco dim*

S pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa pa

Pno *p* hold the notes

poco a poco dim

48 *molto rit.* ----- *espress.* *a tempo*

S
pa pa pa pa pa pa Ah! _____ *legato cantando*

Pno

53 *p* *mp* *dolce*

S
My Bro-thers My Sis-ters Hope - ful

Pno

dolce

59 *rit.* -----

S
is the heart of hearts. *bocca chiusa*

Pno

8va *15ma* *8va*

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65 *a tempo* *mf* *f* *mf* *a tempo* *mp*

S My — Bro - thers My — Sis - ters and Bro - thers

65 *mf* *f* *arp.* *mf* *mp*

Pno

71 *p* *almost whispered* *lungo*

S My Bro - thers and Sis - ters

71 *p* hold the notes *lungo*

Pno

Ped. ** Ped.* ** **

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The leaves are changing,
 So the minds of my brothers.
 The lavender is melting,
 So the tears of my sisters.

Hopeful is the heart of hearts.
 Hopeful are the spirits of my brothers and sisters.