

Eddi of Manhood End

for David Paul Anthony Mattinson

Rudyard Kipling (1865-1936)

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$\text{♩} = 54$

mp ff mp

grace

7 as if a folk song

Ed-di, priest of Saint Wil-frid in his cha-pel

12 at Man-hood End, or-dered a mid-night ser-vice for such as cared to at-tend.

16 But the Sax-ons were keep-ing Christ-mas and the night was

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storm-y as well. No-bo-dy came to ser-vice, though Ed - di rang the bell. "Wick-ed

8va

ff *tr*

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wea-ther for walk- ing,"said Ed-di of Man-hood End,"but I must go on with the ser-vice, for such as

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care to at-tend."— The al - tar-lamps were light-ed,— an old marsh-don - key came, bold

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— as a guest in-vi-ted, and stared at the gut-ter-ing flame.—

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The storm beat at the win - dows, the wa-ter splashed on the

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floor, and a wet, yoke - wea-ry bul-lock pushed in through the o-pen door.

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ritardando ♩. = 48

"How do I know what is

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great-est, how do I know what is least? This is my Fa-ther's bus'-ness,"said Ed-di of Man-hood End.

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But-- three are ga-thered to-geth-er-- lis-ten to me and at - tend. I

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bring good news my bre - thren!" ...my bre- thren!"said Ed - di of Man-hood End.

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And he told the Ox of a Man-ger and a Stall in Beth - le - hem, and he

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spoke to the Ass of a Ri - der, that rode to Je - ru - sa - lem.

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They steamed and dripped in the chan - cel,

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— they lis-tened and ne-ver stirred, while, just as though they were Bi-shops, Ed-di preached them The

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World, Ed - di preached them The World,

f rhapsodic *mp*

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...till the gale_ blew off on the marsh-es and the win-dow showed the day, and the

ff *mp*

Ox and the Ass_ to-ge-ther wheeled and clat-tered a-way.

84 *tempo primo*

ff mp ppp p

And when the Sax-ons mocked__ him, said_ Ed-di of Man-hood End, I dare not shut his cha-pel

on such as cared to at-tend. A - men. A - men.

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