

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

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H.W. Longfellow (1807-1882)

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Andante

The musical score is presented in three systems. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment consisting of a right-hand and left-hand part. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). Fingerings are indicated by numbers 0-3 above the notes. The lyrics are: "I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old familiar carols play; And wild and sweet the words repeat Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Violin

Piano

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old fa - mil - iar car - ols play; And wild and sweet the
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2. I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had roll' d along th' unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

3. And in despair I bow' d my head:
"There is no peace on earth," I said,
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth good will to men."

5. Till, ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

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