

RINGING OF THE BELLS

for S.A.T.B. and keyboard,
with opt. instrumental ensemble

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Celebrative (♩ = 84)

Gentle swing ♩ = ♩♩

Choir

Rhythm

Drum Set

Choir

Rhy.

Drums

Musical score for measures 1-5. The score is in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It features a Choir part with two staves (treble and bass clef), a Rhythm section with piano accompaniment (treble and bass clef), and a Drum Set part. The tempo is Celebrative (♩ = 84). The dynamics are marked *mf*. The Rhythm section includes a chord change to F maj7 in measure 5. The Drum Set part includes *Light Cymbal fills*.

1 2 3 4 5

9 § 1st time: All unison
2nd time: Ladies unison

Musical score for measures 6-9. The score is in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It features a Choir part with two staves (treble and bass clef), a Rhythm section with piano accompaniment (treble and bass clef), and a Drums part. The tempo is Gentle swing. The dynamics are marked *mf*. The Rhythm section includes chords Bbmaj7, Fmaj7, Bbmaj7, and Fmaj7. The Drums part includes *Light fill* and *Rim*. The lyrics are: 1.I heard the bells on (2.And) in de - spair I

6 7 8 9

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Choir

Christ - mas day, their old fa - mil - iar car - ols play, And
bowed my head; "There is no peace — on earth," I said, "For

Rhy.

Drums

10

11

12

Choir

wild and sweet, — the words re - peat of peace on earth, — good
hate is strong, — and mocks the song of peace on earth, — good

Rhy.

Drums

13

14

15

Choir

will to men. I pon - dered how, as
will to men." Yet pealed the bells more

Dm7 C C sus4 C C m7

Rhy.

Drums

16

17

18

Choir

day had come, The bell - fries of all Chris - ten - dom Had
loud and deep; "God is not dead, nor does He sleep; The

E♭ F E♭ B♭maj7 E♭9

Rhy.

Drums

19

20

21

Choir

rolled a - long the un - bro - ken song of peace on earth, good
 wrong shall fail, the right pre - vail, with peace on earth, good

Rhy.

Drums

Am Gsus⁴_A Am Dm7 Gm7 C/G Gm7

22

23

24

Choir

will to men. Now the bells still ring, and the
 will to men."

Rhy.

Drums

f *a little stronger*

Csus⁴ C C/B^b Am7 Dm7 Am7/E F

Fill *f* to Snare

25

26

27

28

Choir

peo - ple sing; They are ring - ing out and sing - ing car - ols in

Rhy.

Drums

G m7 C C sus4 C D E F F E D m7 C D m7

29

30

31

32

Choir

one ac - cord. Joy - ful voice and chime in a

Rhy.

Drums

E \flat E \flat C C7 A m7 D m7 A m7 F
D \flat B \flat B \flat E

33

34

35

36

Choir
chant sub - lime As they cel - e - brate the birth of Je - sus, the

Rhy.

Drums

37 38 39 40

Choir
Lord and the King of kings.

Rhy.

Drums

41 42 43 44

2nd time to Coda ⊕

Fill

Choir

Rhy.

Drums

F A m7 Bb

3 3

45 46 47

Choir

Rhy.

Drums

D.S. al Coda Coda
Ladies unison *mf*

2.And

G m7 A m7 Bb C sus4 C Bb C Am C Bb C

Fill down

48 49 50

⊕ CODA

cresc. **f** 53

Choir
kings. For the bells still ring, and the

Rhy.
cresc. **f**

Drums
Fill

cresc. **f**

F Eb C Am D13 D7 Bm7 Em7

51 52 53 54

Choir
peo - ple sing; They are ring - ing out and sing - ing car - ols in

Rhy.

Drums
Fill

Am7 D Dsus4 D G G F# Em7 D/E Em7

55 56 57 58

61

Choir
 one ac - cord, Joy - ful voice and chime in a

Rhy.
 F F Eb D D7 C B m7 E m7

Drums
 Fill

59

60

61

62

Choir
 chant sub - lime As they cel - e - brate the birth of Je - sus, the

Rhy.
 A m7 D Dsus4 D E F# G G F# E m7 D E E m7

Drums
 Fill

63

64

65

66

68

Choir

Lord, and the King of kings.

Rhy.

Am7 D13 D9 G2 G F#

Drums

67

68

69

70

Choir

Ring, Christ-mas bells, ring loud and clear, ring out with joy,

Rhy.

Em Em D Em C

Drums

71

72

73

ff

Choir
Je - sus is here. Je - sus is born!

Rhy.
Em *B* *A m7* *D sus4* *D7* *G*
ff

Drums

74 75 76 77

Choir

Rhy.
C2 *G* *8va*

Drums
Fill

78 79 80