

CHOIR

# I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

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**INTRO**

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**VERSE 1**



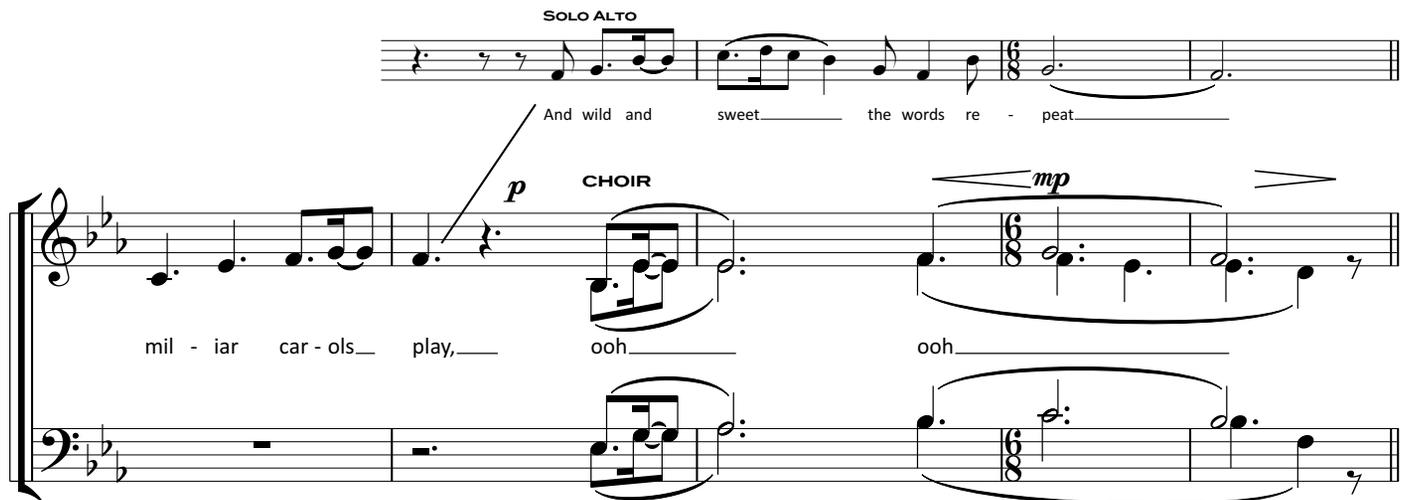
I heard the bells on Christ-mas day There old fa -

**SOLO ALTO**

And wild and sweet the words re - peat

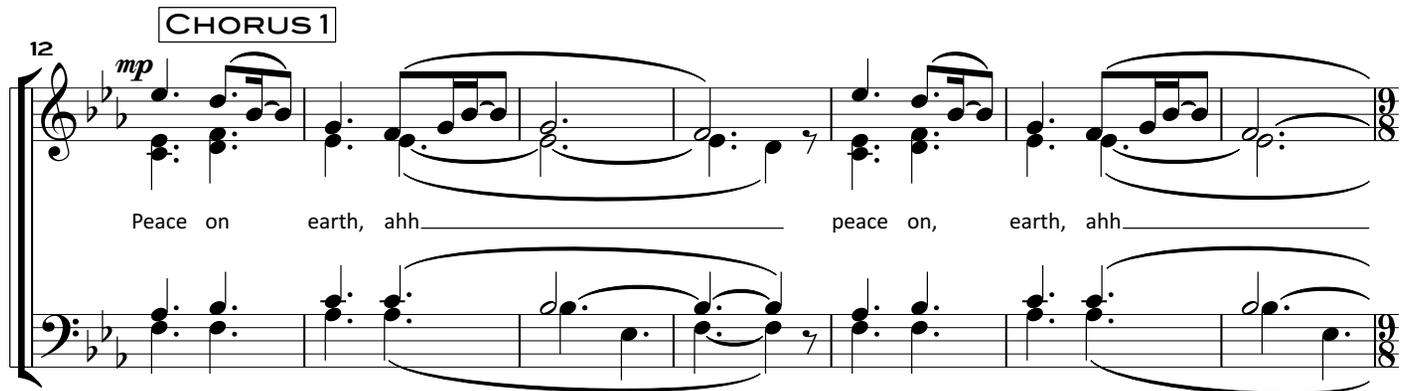
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*p* mil - iar car - ols play, *mp* ooh ooh



**CHORUS 1**

12 *mp* Peace on earth, ahh peace on, earth, ahh



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VERSE 2

19

And in de - spair I bowed my head; "there is no peace on this earth" I

23

said "for hate is strong and mocks the song Where is the

CHORUS 2

27

peace on earth? I can-not see it There is no peace on this earth! I can-not

VERSE 3

33

feel it." Then rang the bells more loud and deep God is not

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37 *f*

dead, no! He does not\_ sleep! The wrong shall fail, the right pre - vail

42 **BRIDGE**  
CHILDREN'S CHOIR  
*mf*

Oh come! Oh come we pray\_ The Prince of peace to reign\_ Wipe all\_our tears a - way\_ Heal us\_from all our pain\_

46 *f*

\_ Oh come! Oh come we pray\_ Show us\_ a bet - ter way\_ Bring us\_ a bright - er day\_ Till, ring - ing,

50 **VERSE 4**  
*f*

He comes! He comes to - day!\_ The Prince of peace to reign\_ to wipe\_our tears a - way\_ sing - ing, on its\_ way,\_ The world re - volves\_ from night to\_

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53

to heal from all our pain He comes! He comes to - day! to show a bet - ter way

day, A voice, a chime, a chant sub - lime

56

the Prince of peace to reign He comes! He comes to - day! the Prince of peace to reign

**CHORUS 3**

Peace on earth, ahh

to wipe our tears a - way to heal from all our pain

Peace on earth, ahh Peace on

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He comes! He comes to - day! to show a bet - ter way

earth, ahh Peace on



to bring a bright - er day the Prince of peace to reign I heard the

*mp* SOLO ALTO

*ff*

earth, ahh

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OUTRO

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bells on Christ-mas day there old fa - mi - liar ca - rols play ahh