

I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

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$\text{♩} = 146$ **INTRO** 3 *mp* **SOLO ALTO** **VERSE 1**

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

SOLO ALTO *p* **CHOIR** *mp*

And wild and sweet the words re - peat.
mil - iar car - ols play, ooh ooh

mp **CHORUS 1**

Peace on earth, ahh peace on, earth, ahh And in de -

V.S.

VERSE 2

spair__ I bowed my__ head; "there is no peace on this earth" I__ said__ "for hate is__ strong__ and mocks the

CHORUS 2

song__ Where is the peace on__ earth? I can-not__ see it There is no peace on this__

VERSE 3

earth! I can-not__ feel it." Then rang__ the bells__ more loud and deep God is not

dead, no! He does not__ sleep! The wrong shall__ fail, the right pre - vail__

42 **BRIDGE**
mf CHILDREN'S CHOIR
 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 _____ Oh come! Oh come we pray_____ Show us_ a bet - ter way_____ Bring us_ a bright - er day_____

f 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_____

53 to heal_ from all our pain_____ He comes! He comes to - day!_____ to show a bet - ter way_____ the Prince of peace to reign_____

day,_____ A voice, a_ chime,_____ a chant sub - lime_____

V.S.

CHORUS 3

He comes! He comes to - day!__ the Prince of peace to reign__

Peace on__ earth, ahh__

Peace on__ earth, ahh__

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to wipe__ our tears a - way__ to heal__ from all our pain__

He comes! He comes to - day!__

Peace on__ earth, ahh__

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to show a bet-ter way__

to bring__ a bright-er day__ the Prince of peace to reign I heard__ the

SOLO ALTO
mp

ff

Peace on__ earth, ahh__

OUTRO
SOLO ALTO

CHOIR *mf*

bells___ on Christ-mas_ day___ there old___ fa - mi - liar ca - rols_ play

ahh