



CHRISTMAS CAROLS



for



PIANO / KEYBOARD



Easy Beginners Arrangements

For One or Two Hands



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Introduction

If you are reading an overview of this book, you can also get a longer free preview with working links from <https://www.learn-keyboard.co.uk/xmas.html>.

All the arrangements herein are fairly simple and have been arranged in a way that a fair degree of harmony can be heard even with just two notes, making them satisfying and fun to play.

All the essential fingering has been added where necessary, although you will occasionally see two numbers together in brackets - **(3-2)** etc. - this is used for either a finger change ready for the next note or for the second part of a repeated section.

For anyone unable to use both hands, simply play the melody alone with the right hand. There is also a chord line for auto accompaniment or guitar etc.

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Ding Dong Merrily on High



Piano

Ding dong merrily on high,
 In heav'n the bells are ringing:
 Ding dong! verily the sky
 Is riv'n with angel singing.
 Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis! (x2)



E'en so here below, below,
 Let steeple bells be swungen,
 And "Io, io, io!"
 By priest and people sungen.
 Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis! (x2)



Pray you, dutifully prime
 Your matin chime, ye ringers;
 May you beautifully rime
 Your evetime song, ye singers.
 Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis! (x2)





O Little Town of Bethlehem



O little town of Bethlehem,
 How still we see thee lie!
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
 The silent stars go by;
 Yet in the dark street shineth
 The everlasting Light;
 The hopes and fears of all the years
 Are met in thee tonight.



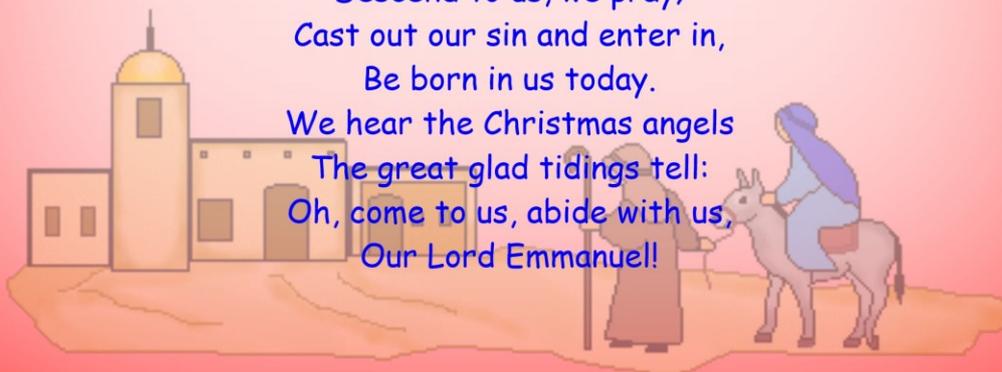
For Christ is born of Mary,
 And fathered all above,
 While mortals sleep, the angels keep
 Their watch of wondering love.
 O morning stars, together
 Proclaim the holy birth
 And praises sing to God, the King,
 And peace to men on earth.



How silently, how silently,
 The wondrous Gift is given!
 So God imparts to human hearts
 The blessings of His heaven.
 No ear may hear His coming,
 But in this world of sin,
 Where meek souls will receive Him still,
 The dear Christ enters in.



O holy Child of Bethlehem,
 Descend to us, we pray;
 Cast out our sin and enter in,
 Be born in us today.
 We hear the Christmas angels
 The great glad tidings tell:
 Oh, come to us, abide with us,
 Our Lord Emmanuel!





O Little Town of Bethlehem



Piano





We Wish You a Merry Christmas



We wish you a merry Christmas
 We wish you a merry Christmas
 We wish you a merry Christmas
 And a happy New Year.
 Glad tidings we bring
 To you and your kin;
 Glad tidings for Christmas
 And a happy New Year!



Now bring us some figgy pudding
 Now bring us some figgy pudding
 Now bring us some figgy pudding
 Please bring it right here!
 Glad tidings we bring etc.



We won't go until we get some
 We won't go until we get some
 We won't go until we get some
 So bring it out here!
 Glad tidings we bring etc..



We wish you a Merry Christmas
 We wish you a merry Christmas
 We wish you a merry Christmas
 And a happy New Year.
 Glad tidings we bring etc.





We Wish You a Merry Christmas



Piano

F **Bb** **G7**

C **A7** **Dm** **Bb** **C7**

F **F** **C** **Dm**

C **F** **C** **Bb** **C** **F**





Oh Come All Ye Faithful



O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him, Born the King of angels

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord



Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, Glory in the highest
O come, let us adore Him etc



See how the shepherds, Summoned to His cradle
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze
We too will thither, Bend our joyful footsteps
O come, let us adore Him etc

Lo! star led chieftains, Magi, Christ adoring
Offer Him incense, gold, and myrrh
We to the Christ Child, Bring our hearts' oblations
O come, let us adore Him etc



Child, for us sinners, Poor and in the manger
We would embrace Thee, with love and awe
Who would not love Thee, Loving us so dearly?
O come, let us adore Him etc

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning
Jesus, to Thee be glory given
Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing
O come, let us adore Him etc





Oh Come All Ye Faithful



Piano

Chords: F, C, F, Gm, F, C, F, Dm, C, C, G, C, Am, Gm, F, Gm, F, C, Dm, Gm, F, C, F, F, No Chord, F, F, F, C, F, Gm, F, C7, F, F





Away in a Manger



Away in a manger, No crib for His bed
The little Lord Jesus Laid down His sweet head
The stars in the bright sky Looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing The poor Baby wakes
But little Lord Jesus No crying He makes
I love Thee, Lord Jesus Look down from the sky
And stay by my side, 'Til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever And love me I pray
Bless all the dear children In Thy tender care
And take us to heaven To live with Thee there





Away in a Manger



Piano

The musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass clef staff. The chords and fingerings are as follows:

- System 1: Treble clef has notes G4, A4, B4, C5. Bass clef has notes F3, G3, A3. Chords: F, C, F, F, Bb.
- System 2: Treble clef has notes G4, A4, B4, C5. Bass clef has notes F3, G3, A3. Chords: Gm, C7, F, Dm, G.
- System 3: Treble clef has notes G4, A4, B4, C5. Bass clef has notes F3, G3, A3. Chords: C, F, F, F, Bb.
- System 4: Treble clef has notes G4, A4, B4, C5. Bass clef has notes F3, G3, A3. Chords: Gm, C7, F, Gm, C, F.





Jingle Bells



Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh
Over the fields we go, laughing all the way
Bells on bob-tail ring, making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight



Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way
O what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way
O what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh



A day or two ago, I thought I'd take a ride
And soon miss fanny bright, was seated by my side
The horse was lean and lank, misfortune seemed his lot
He got into a drifted bank and we got upset



Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way etc.



A day or two ago, the story I must tell
I went out on the snow, and on my back I fell
A gent was riding by, in a one-horse open sleigh
He laughed as there I sprawling lie but quickly drove away



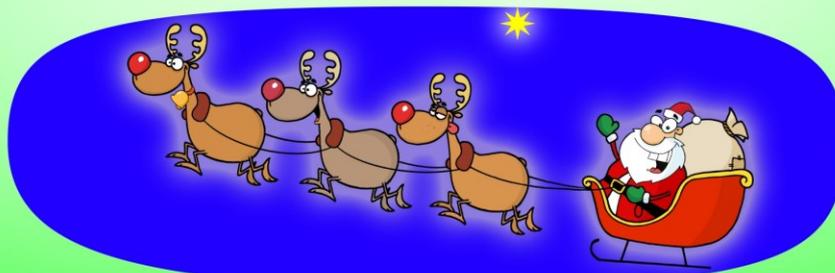
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way etc.



Now the ground is white, go it while you're young
Take the girls tonight, and sing this sleighing song
Just get a bob-tailed bay, two-forty as his speed
Hitch him to an open sleigh and crack, you'll take the lead



Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way etc.





Jingle Bells



Piano

Chords: G, G C, C D, D7 G, G, G C, C D, D7 G, G, G, C G, A7 D, G, G C, G, D7 G



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