

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Dulcimer - DAD

Traditional English
Henry W. Longfellow, 1863
J. Baptiste Calkin, 1872

		D				D#dim7		A7		Bdim7	
		I		heard the bells on		Christ - mas		day		Their	
T A B		0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6+	
		0	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	0	

		D				A7				D		G		D	
		old fa - mil - iar				car - ols play, And				wild and		sweet the			
T A B		0	0	0	0	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0		
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0		
		4	7	6+	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	2	3		

		F#		Bm		E7		D				Em7		A7		D	
		words re - peat Of				peace on earth, good				will to		men.					
T A B		2	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	0					
		2	2	1	1	0	0	0	3	2	0	0					
		2	1	0	1	2	3	4	5	1	1	0					

I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had roll'd along th'un broken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

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."

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."

Note on music: There is no f-natural on the dulcimer so the note is ignored and f# substituted.