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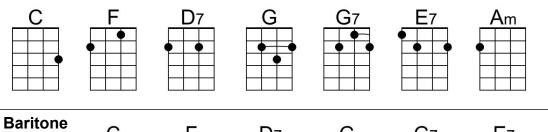
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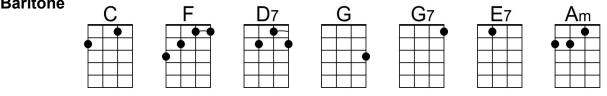
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F С С Still through the cloven skies they come D7 G - G7 F With peaceful wings unfurled F С С And still their heavenly music floats F **G7** С O'er all the weary world; **E7** Am A-bove its sad and lowly plains **D7** G - G7 G They bend on hovering wing. С F С And ever o'er its Babel sounds F **G7** С The blessed angels sing.

F С С Yet with the woes of sin and strife G - G7 D7 The world hath suffered long; С F С Be-neath the angel-strain have rolled F G7 С Two thousand years of wrong; **E7** Am And man, at war with man, hears not G D7 G - G7 The love song which they bring: С F С O hush the noise, ye men of strife, F **G7** С And hear the angels sing.

С F С For lo! The days are hastening on, **D7** G - G7 F By prophet bards fore-told, F С С When, with the ever-circling years, **G7** F С Shall come the Age of Gold; **E7** Am When peace shall over all the earth G D7 G - G7 Its ancient splendors fling, F С С And all the world give back the song F **G7** С Which now the angels sing.





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