

# I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day

(Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, 1864; Music by Johnny Marks, 1956)

I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day by Burl Ives (1965)

**Intro** Dm7 | G7 | Em | A7 | Dm7 | G7  
 Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhh (Last 2 lines of verse)

**C Am Dm7 G7**  
 I heard the bells on Christmas day

**Am B7 Em**  
 Their old familiar carols play

**Dm7 G7 Em A7**  
 And wild and sweet the words re-peat

**Dm7 G7**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

**C Am Dm7 G7**  
 I thought of how the day had come

**Am B7 Em**  
 The belfries of all Christen-dom

**Dm7 G7 Em A7**  
 Had rung so long the unbroken song

**Dm7 G7 C**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

**C Am Dm7 G7**  
 And in des-pair I bowed my head

**Am B7 Em**  
 There is no peace on earth I said

**Dm7 G7 Em A7**  
 For hate is strong and mocks the song

**Dm7 G7**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men.

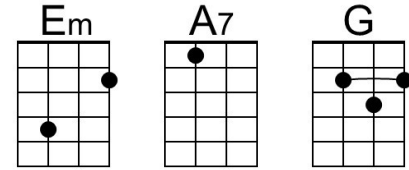
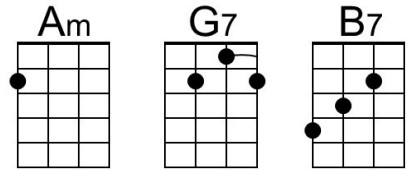
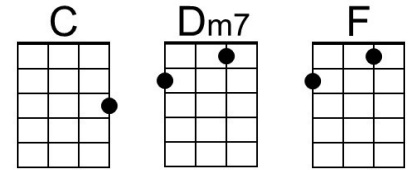
**C Am Dm7 G7**  
 Then peel the bells more loud and deep

**Am B7 Em**  
 God is not dead nor does he sleep

**Dm7 G7 Em A7**  
 The wrong shall fail the right pre-vail

**Dm7 G7 C**  
 With peace on earth good will to men

**Dm7 F G C**  
 With peace on earth good will to men



**Baritone**

Baritone guitar chord diagrams for C, Dm7, F, Am, G7, B7, Em, A7, and G. The diagrams show the fretting for each chord on a six-string baritone guitar.

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**D Bm Em7 A7**  
 I heard the bells on Christmas day

**Bm C#7 F#m**  
 Their old familiar carols play  
**Em7 A7 F#m B7**  
 And wild and sweet the words re-peat

**Em7 A7**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

**D Bm Em7 A7**  
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**Bm C#7 F#m**  
 The belfries of all Christen-dom  
**Em7 A7 F#m B7**  
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**Em7 A7 D**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

**D Bm Em7 A7**  
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**Em7 A7 F#m B7**  
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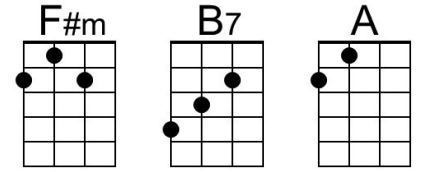
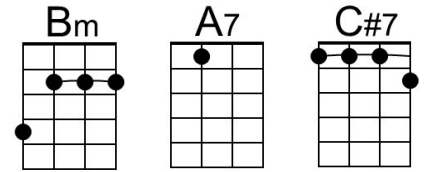
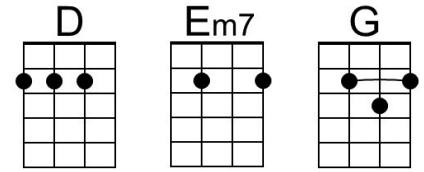
**Em7 A7**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men.

**D Bm Em7 A7**  
 Then peel the bells more loud and deep

**Bm C#7 F#m**  
 God is not dead nor does he sleep  
**Em7 A7 F#m B7**  
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**Em7 A7 D**  
 With peace on earth good will to men

**Em7 G A D**  
 With peace on earth good will to men



**Baritone**

Baritone guitar chord diagrams for D (x02321), Em7 (x02021), G (x32033), Bm (x21232), A7 (x02021), C#7 (x34333), F#m (x21232), B7 (x21232), and A (x02021).

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Gm7 C7 Am D7  
 And wild and sweet the words re-peat

Gm7 C7  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

F Dm Gm7 C7  
 I thought of how the day had come

Dm E7 Am  
 The belfries of all Christen-dom

Gm7 C7 Am D7  
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Gm7 C7 F  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

F Dm Gm7 C7  
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Gm7 C7  
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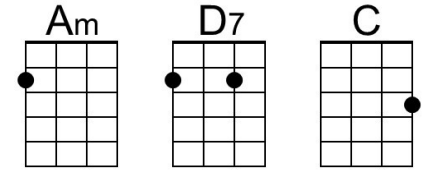
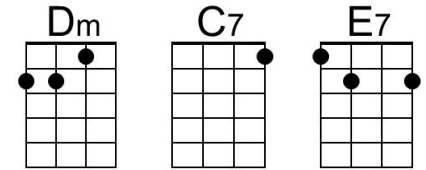
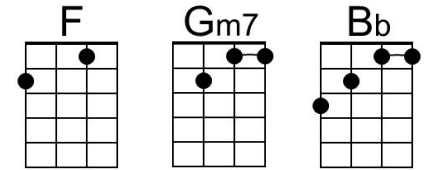
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Gm7 C7 F  
 With peace on earth good will to men

Gm7 Bb C F  
 With peace on earth good will to men



**Baritone**

Fingerings for F, Gm7, B, Dm, C7, E7, Am, D7, and C chords on a baritone guitar. F: 1st fret, 2nd string; 2nd fret, 4th string; 3rd fret, 5th string. Gm7: 2nd fret, 2nd string; 3rd fret, 3rd string; 4th fret, 4th string; 5th fret, 5th string. B: 2nd fret, 2nd string; 3rd fret, 3rd string; 4th fret, 4th string; 5th fret, 5th string. Dm: 2nd fret, 2nd string; 3rd fret, 3rd string; 4th fret, 4th string. C7: 2nd fret, 5th string; 3rd fret, 4th string; 4th fret, 3rd string; 5th fret, 2nd string. E7: 2nd fret, 2nd string; 3rd fret, 3rd string; 4th fret, 4th string; 5th fret, 5th string. Am: 2nd fret, 2nd string; 3rd fret, 3rd string; 4th fret, 4th string. D7: 2nd fret, 2nd string; 3rd fret, 3rd string; 4th fret, 4th string; 5th fret, 5th string. C: 3rd fret, 5th string; 4th fret, 4th string; 5th fret, 3rd string; 6th fret, 2nd string.

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**Em** **F#7** **Bm**  
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**Am7** **D7** **Bm** **E7**  
 And wild and sweet the words re-peat

**Am7** **D7**  
 Of peace on earth good will to men

**G** **Em** **Am7** **D7**  
 I thought of how the day had come

**Em** **F#7** **Bm**  
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**Am7** **D7** **Bm** **E7**  
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**Am7** **D7** **G**  
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**G** **Em** **Am7** **D7**  
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**Em** **F#7** **Bm**  
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**Am7** **D7**  
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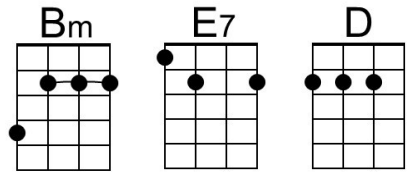
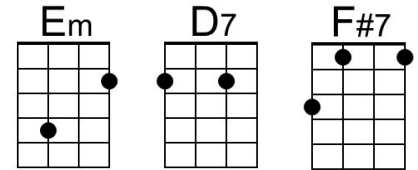
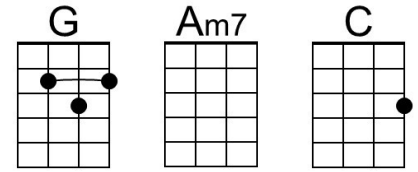
**G** **Em** **Am7** **D7**  
 Then peel the bells more loud and deep

**Em** **F#7** **Bm**  
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**Am7** **D7** **Bm** **E7**  
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**Am7** **D7** **G**  
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**Am7** **C** **D** **G**  
 With peace on earth good will to men



**Baritone**

