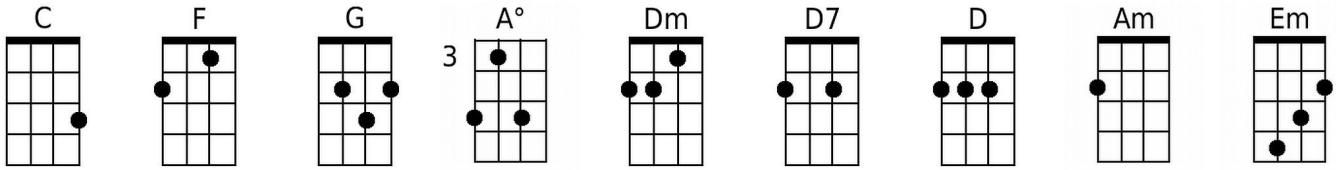


# We Wish You A Merry Christmas

(Why Can't We Have Christmas The Whole Year Around?)

We Wish You A Merry Christmas by Peter, Paul, and Mary from "A Holiday Celebration With The New York Choral Society" (1992)

Key of C – 3/4 Time – Briskly Except As Noted



**[Intro]:** |C .. |F .. |C . G |C ..

**[Slowly]**

**[Preface:]**

|C |A° |Dm |G  
 Once in a year, it is not thought a - miss  
 |C |F |D7 |G  
 To visit our neighbors and sing out like this.

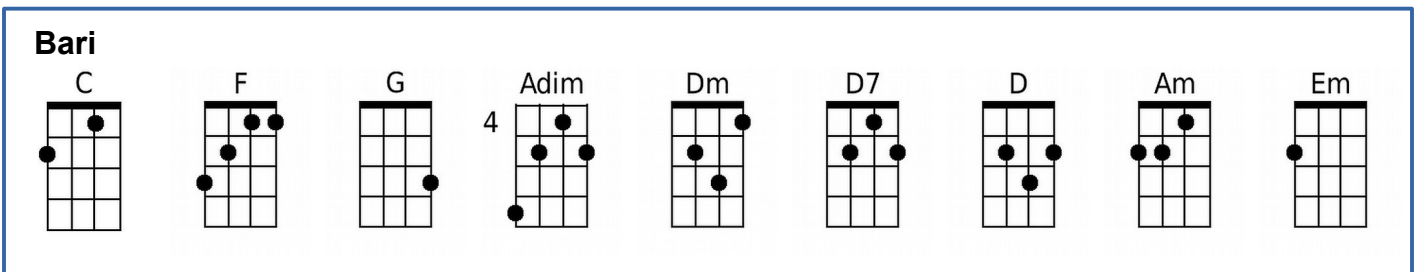
**[Upbeat]**

**[Chorus]**

|C |F |D |G  
 We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas  
 |C |F |C G |C .  
 We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year. **[Repeat Chorus]**

1. |C |G |D7 |G  
 Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.  
 |C | |F G |C  
 We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year.

2. |C |F |D7 |G  
 We all want some figgy pudding, We all want some figgy pudding  
 |C |F |C G |C  
 We all want some figgy pudding, And a cup of good cheer.



3. And 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 right here.

4. Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.  
 We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year.  
 A hap – py New Year.

**[Interlude:]**

**[Slightly Slower]**

Once in a year, it is not thought a-miss  
 To visit our neighbors and sing out like this.  
 Of friendship and love, good neighbors a-bound  
 And peace and good-will the whole year a-round.

**[Spoken]**

(Pace!) (Shanti!) (Salud!) (Shalom!)

**[Resume Singing]**

The words mean the same, what-ever your heart  
 Why can't we have Christmas the whole year a-round?  
 Why can't we have Christmas the whole year ...

**[Resume Upbeat Tempo]**

**[Chorus]**

We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas  
 We wish you a merry Christmas, And a happy New Year.  
 We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas  
 We wish you a merry Christmas,  
 And a hap – py New Year.

**Note:** "Pace!" is pronounced "Pah-Chay."