

Dedicated to my energetic and inspiring high school choir director,  
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# Throw Open Your Shutters!

(A Festive Madrigal)

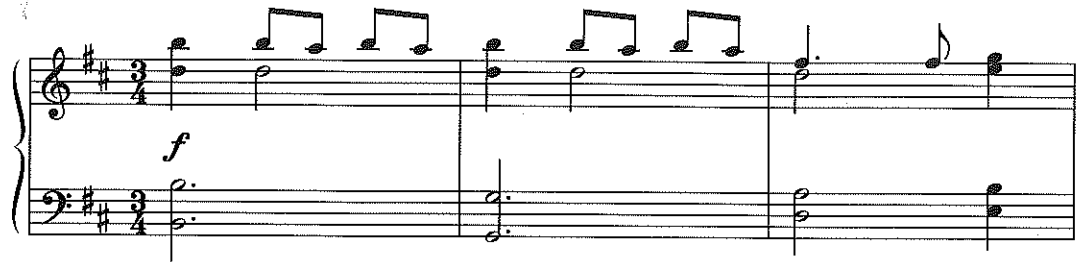
SSA Chorus and Piano\*

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Ranges: Soprano I Soprano II Alto



Lively, fun! (in one)  $\text{♩} = 56$



4 SI *mf* *slide* *f*  
Throw o - pen your shut - ters, ye  
Gath - er, ye neigh - bors, with

SII *mf* *slide* *f*  
Throw o - pen your shut - ters, ye  
Gath - er, ye neigh - bors, with

A *mf* *slide* *f*  
Throw o - pen your shut - ters, ye  
Gath - er, ye neigh - bors, with

Duration: approx. 2:00

\*Also available for SATB (15/1554H), Three-part Mixed (15/2110H), and TBB (15/2108H).

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maids and lads! Sound out, ye trum - pets, be  
can - dles bright! Sing out your chor - us - es

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11

glad, be glad! Cel - e -  
of de - light!

glad, sound and be glad! Cel - e -  
sing, sing of de - light!

glad, sound and be glad! Cel - e -  
sing, sing of de - light!

15

brate this fes - tive day! Hey! Ring your  
(Christ - mas)

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19

bells and let the psal - t'ry\* play! Cel - e - *sub. p*

bells and let the psal - t'ry play! play! Cel - e - *sub. p*

bells, psal - t'ry play! Cel - e - *sub. p*

\*psaltery: an ancient stringed musical instrument.

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(Christ - mas)

27

bells and let the psal - t'ry play! (m. 5)

bells and let the psal - t'ry play!— play!—

bells, psal - t'ry— play! (m. 5)

31

*pp-p*  
Hey! Ding-a ding-a ding, ding-a ding-a, hey! a-ding dong!

*pp-p*

Detailed description: This system contains measures 31 through 34. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a dynamic marking of *pp-p* and contains the lyrics: "Hey! Ding-a ding-a ding, ding-a ding-a, hey! a-ding dong!". The piano accompaniment also begins with a *pp-p* dynamic marking and provides harmonic support for the vocal melody.

35

*mp-mf*  
Ding ding-a, hey! Hey! Ding-a ding-a ding, hey! dong!

*mp-mf*  
Hey! Ding-a ding-a ding, ding-a ding-a, hey! a-ding dong!

*mp-mf*

Detailed description: This system contains measures 35 through 38. It features two vocal lines and a piano accompaniment. The first vocal line has a dynamic marking of *mp-mf* and lyrics: "Ding ding-a, hey! Hey! Ding-a ding-a ding, hey! dong!". The second vocal line also has a *mp-mf* dynamic marking and lyrics: "Hey! Ding-a ding-a ding, ding-a ding-a, hey! a-ding dong!". The piano accompaniment maintains the *mp-mf* dynamic and provides harmonic support.

39 *mf-f*

Ding ding-a, hey! Hey! Ding - a ding - a ding, hey!

*mf-f*

Hey! Ding - a ding - a ding, ding - a ding - a, hey! a - ding

*mf-f*

Ding-a ding-a ding-a ding - a, hey! Ding - a ding - a, hey!

*mf-f*

42

1 2 *cresc.*

dong! Dong! Dong! Ding!

*cresc.*

dong! Dong! Dong! Ding!

*cresc.*

ding! Ding! Ding! Hey! Dong!

1 2 *cresc.*

46

Hey! Dong! Climb to the roof-tops and

Hey! Dong! Climb to the roof-tops and

Ding! Climb to the roof-tops and

*ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff* *mf*

50

shout your noise! Join us in dancing, re -

shout your noise! Join us in dancing, re -

shout your noise! Join us in dancing, re -

*ff* *mf*

54

*f-ff* Cel - e -  
*div.*

joice, re - joice! Cel - e -  
*f-ff*

joice! Dance and re-joice! Cel - e -  
*f-ff*

joice! Dance and re-joice! Cel - e -  
*f-ff*

58

brate! Hey! Ring your

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(Christ - mas)

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(Christ - mas)



62

bells, psal - t'ry play!

bells and let the psal - t'ry play!

bells, psal - t'ry play!

65

*mf* Sing! Ring! *ff* Dance!

*mf* Sing, — sing! — Ring, — ring! — *ff div.* Dance!

*mf* Sing! Ring! *ff div.* Dance!