

Christmas Songs are Ringing now

18th-Century Dorsetshire Carol

William Knapp (1698-1768)

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1. Christ-mas songs are ring - ing now, Through the win - t'ry sky, Christ-mas strains by child-ren sung
2. Christ-mas joy is all a - round, Soft -'ning pain and loss, Christ-mas peace is ev-'ry-where,
3. Christ-mas praise from child-ren's lips, God de - lights to hear, Car - ols from our grate-ful hearts



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1. Swell the song on high, For One is born, the Prince of Peace, whose reign shall ne-ver, ne-ver end.
2. Bless-ing ev-er-y cross; They spring from him, the Prince of Peace, whose reign shall ne-ver, ne-ver cease.
3. Please his wait-ing ear; Then hail him, hail him, Prince of Peace, whose reign shall ne-ver, ne-ver cease.

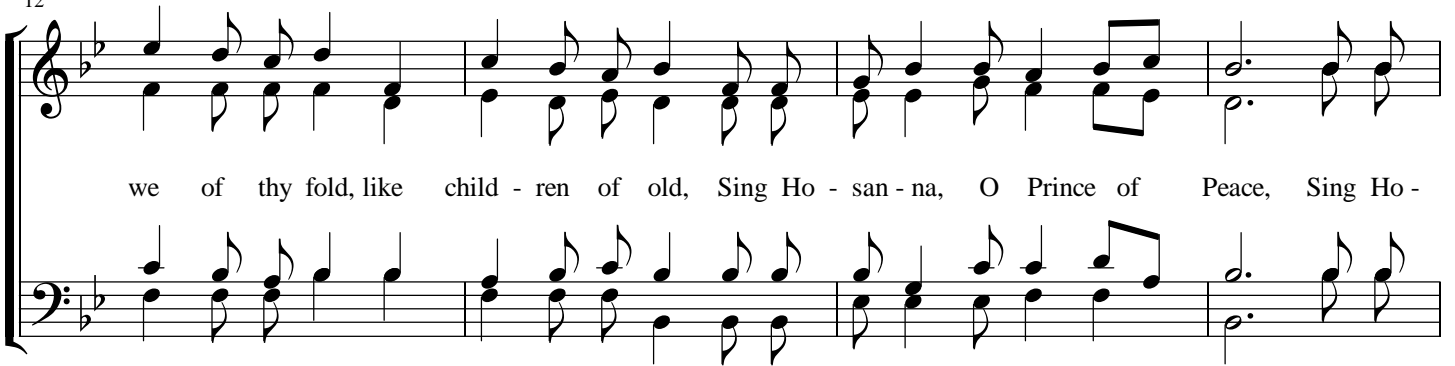


Chorus.

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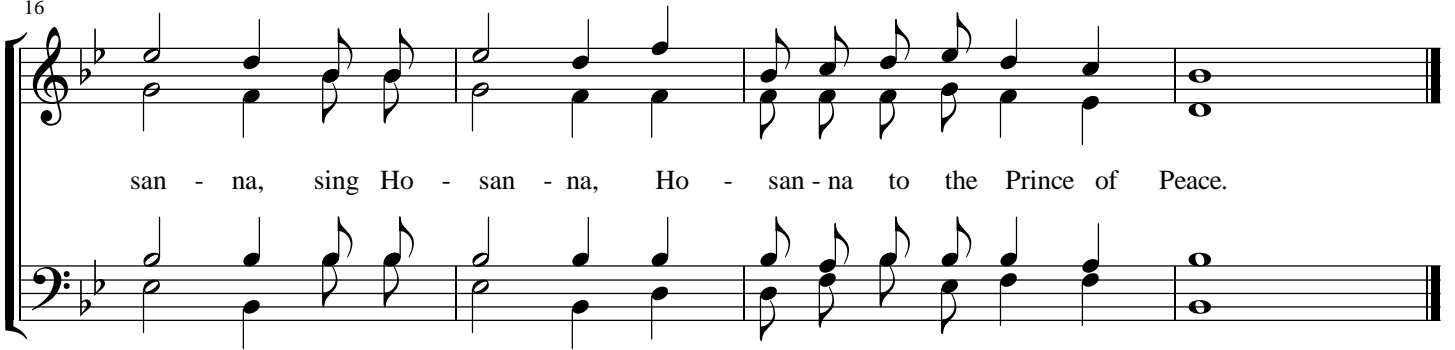
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we of thy fold, like child - ren of old, Sing Ho - san - na, O Prince of Peace, Sing Ho -

This musical system contains measures 12 through 15. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part consists of a steady bass line in the left hand and a more active treble line in the right hand, primarily using eighth and quarter notes. The vocal line follows the lyrics, with notes corresponding to the syllables.

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san - na, sing Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na to the Prince of Peace.

This musical system contains measures 16 through 19. The piano accompaniment continues with a similar texture. The vocal line concludes the phrase with a final note on a whole note in the final measure.