

Ring out the Old, Ring in the New

Words by Alfred Tennyson (1850) ~ Music by John B. Calkin (1872)

Musical score for piano and voice. The score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line, a piano accompaniment line, and a guitar chord diagram. The lyrics are: "Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring hap - py bells a - cross the snow; the year is go - ing, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true."

System 1: Chords: D, A7. Lyrics: Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring

System 2: Chords: D, G, A, F#m, Bm. Lyrics: hap - py bells a - cross the snow; the year is go - ing,

System 3: Chords: F#m, Bm, G, D, A, D. Lyrics: let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife,
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweet manners, purer laws.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.