

# SAW THREE SHIPS

(First tune)

English traditional carol  
arranged by DAVID WILLCOCKS

**Gaily**

SOPRANO SOLO FULL SOLO

SOPRANO

1. I saw three ships come sail-ing in, I  
3. Our Sa-viour Christ and his la-dy, On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, Our  
5. O, they sailed in-to Beth-le-hem, O,

ALTO

ALTOS

On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas \_\_\_\_

FULL

saw three ships come sail-ling in,  
Sa-viour Christ and his la-dy. On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day in the morn-ing.  
they sailed in-to Beth-le-hem,

Day,

TENOR SOLO FULL SOLO

T.

2. And what was in those ships all three? On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, And  
4. Pray, whi-ther sailed those ships all three? Pray,

B.

BASSES

On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas \_\_\_\_

FULL

what was in those ships all three? On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day in the morn-ing.  
whi-ther sailed those ships all three?

Day,

D.C. for vv. 3 & 5

MELODY



Men. 6. And all the bells on earth shall ring, And  
Sops. 7. And all the an-gels in heav'n shall sing, On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, And  
Men 8. And all the souls on earth shall sing, And

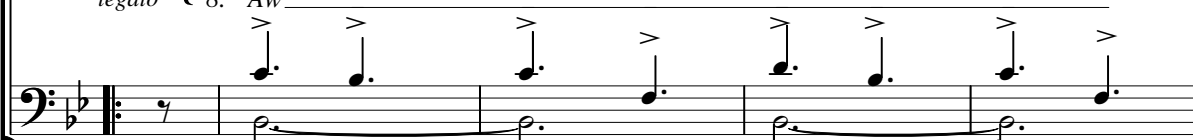
S.  
A.



6. Ding dong ding dong ding dong ding dong  
sempre { 7. Ah  
legato { 8. Aw

SEMI-CHORUS

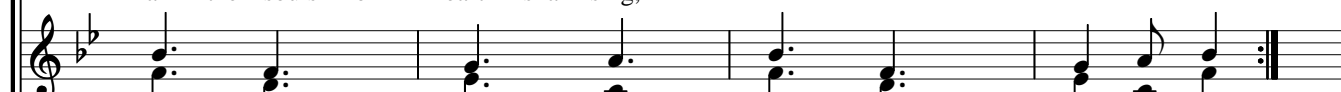
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all the bells on earth shall ring,  
all the an-gels in heav'n shall sing, On Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing.  
all the souls on earth shall sing,



ding dong ding dong ding dong ding - a - dong



Ding dong  
Ah  
Aw

FULL CHORUS

S.  
A.



9. Then let us all re - joice a - main! On Christ-mas Day, on Christ-mas Day, Then

T.  
B.



let us all re - joice a - main! On Christ-mas Day in the morn - ing.

