

Sweet Bells

Traditional

D A Bm G D A D

1. While shep - herds watched their flocks by night all seat - ed on the ground The
 2. "Fear not!" said he, for might - y dread had seized their trou - bled minds "Glad
 3. To you in Da - vid's town this day is born of Da - vid's line A
 4. All glo - ry be to God on high and to the earth be peace Good -

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an - gel of the Lord came down and glo - ry shone a - round
 tid - ings of great joy I bring to you and all man - kind"
 sav - iour who is Christ the Lord and this shall be his sign:"
 will hence - forth from Heav'n to men be - gin and ne - ver cease!"

CHORUS:

D G D A

Sweet bells, sweet chim - ing Christ - mas bells Sweet

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bells, sweet chim - ing Christ - mas bells They

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cheer us on our Heav'n - ly way, sweet chim - ing bells

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A folk carol from Sussex. The setting here is an 'averaged out' version of a setting by Kate Rusby who varies the melody considerably. (Transposed here from the key of C)