

Sweet Bells

Traditional

Verse

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 D

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

G D A D A

chim - ing Christ - mas bells They cheer us on our—

Bm G D A D

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)