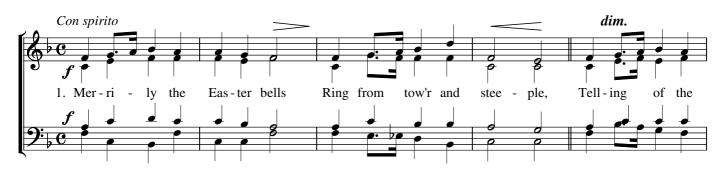
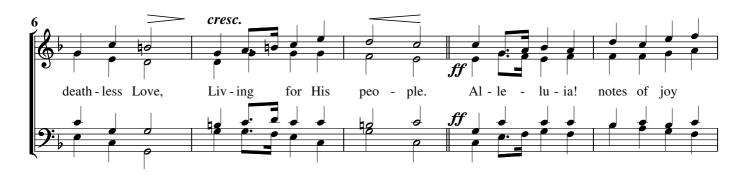
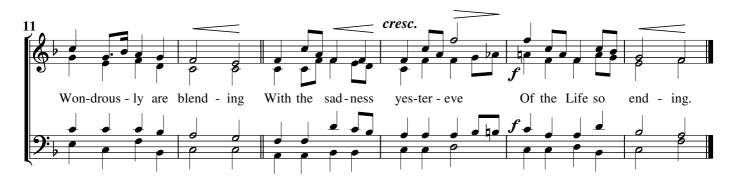
Merrily the Easter bells

George Benjamin Lissant (1827? - 1899)







2. But the night has passed away,
Sweet the bells are ringing,
He our Joy this morn has come,
We too now are singing:—
Alleluia! Christ is risen,
So will we be rising,—
He from death, and we from sin,
Loving life and prizing.

- 3. Up through all the heavenly spheres
 Ring the old, old story,
 As we sing the Easter joy
 Of the Lord of Glory.
 Alleluia! angels sing
 Songs of joy with mortals—
 Of the way of Life to-day
 Christ unbarred the portals.
- 4. All our doubts and fears are gone, Cheerily the pealing Through the blinding mist of tears Wakens joyous feeling. Alleluia! ring again, Christ has passed the river, As He rose and lives would we Rise and live for ever!

(Source: Carols old and carols new, Boston, 1916)