

# Ring out, ring out, O Christmas bells

Charles F. Roper (1843 - ?)

1. Ring out, ring out, O Christ - mas bells! A tale of joy your mu - sic tells;

A Sav - iour King was born to - day To rule the hearts of men for aye.

11 **f** CHORUS  
For this we join to swell the strain The an - gels sang o'er Ju - dah's plain!

16 **ff**  
Glo - ry to God, good will to men, Shall rise and fill the heav'ns a - gain.

2. O Lord of lords, and King of kings,  
Sweet peace and joy Thy presence brings;  
We know the Father loves us well  
To rescue thus our souls from hell.  
CHORUS — For this we join, &c.

3. But who can measure all the love  
That brought Thee from Thy throne above,  
With us to live, for us to die,  
That we might reign with Thee on high.  
CHORUS — For this we join, &c.

4. Dear Saviour, Elder Brother, Friend,  
Abide with us till life shall end;  
And then, when death shall set us free,  
Within the kingdom won by Thee,  
CHORUS — Earth's ransomed ones shall swell the strain,  
"All worthy is the Lamb once slain,  
Honour and glory to receive  
From all created things that breathe."

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