

# The Berkeley Wassail

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♩ = 150

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a tempo marking of ♩ = 150. It consists of three staves. The first staff is in the treble clef, the second is in the treble clef, and the third is in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The music is a wassail, characterized by its repetitive, rhythmic melody. The first staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a series of eighth and quarter notes. The second staff provides a harmonic accompaniment, and the third staff provides a bass line. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

With pipe and with fiddle, with drum and with bell,  
we sing our wassail, me boys, to wish you all well.  
Long life and good fortune to all who live here!  
God bless you and send you a happy New Year.

Through weeds and through snow we have come to your door.  
A small drop of porter is all we implore.  
And then we will sing with all proper decorum;  
The yeast and the barley drive sorrows before 'em.

Some nutmeg and ginger to make us all merry,  
Or whiskey or brandy or cider or sherry.  
Strong drink and its virtues our songs will extol,  
So bring us a bottle (barrel, tank truck) and fill up our bowl.

Come join in our Wassail and raise up your voice,  
For now is the season to sing and rejoice,  
And number your blessings, the great and the small;  
Good friends and companions the greatest of all.

Source:

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Jon said to spread this around all you like, but keep his name with it.