

(Preliminary list of songs for Christmas Tree Lane caroling with Fresno LGBTQ on December 5th 2009, additions may be forthcoming.)

A copy of songs will be provided, but please take a moment to read the "Equality Carol" versions of your favorite songs that we will be singing that evening.

Winter 2009 Equality Carols

Lyrics by Megan F. Coffey

EQUAL RIGHTS!

(Sung to the tune of "Jingle Bells")

Equal rights, equal rights, equal all the way!
Oh what fun it is to sing for equal rights today!
Equal rights, equal rights, equal all the way!
All we want is equal rights, on our wedding day!

Dashing through the fog, on our wedding day,
Going to City Hall, laughing all the way (ho, ho, ho!)
Wedding bells will ring, making spirits bright.
Oh what fun when everyone has equal marriage rights! Oh..

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Equal rights, equal rights, equal all the way!
All we want is equal rights, on our wedding day!

DECK THE HALLS

Deck the Halls with marriage equality!
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Tis the season for equality!
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Don we now our gay apparel,
Fa la la, la la la, la la la.
As we sing equality carols,
Fa la la la la, la la la la!

Eleven Hundred Fed'ral Marriage Rights

(to the tune of "Winter Wonderland")

Wedding bells ring, are you listenin'?
No more se-cond class citizens!
We're happy tonight, our goal is in sight:
Eleven hundred fed'ral marriage rights!

Gone away, discrimination,

Here to stay, celebration!
We're happy tonight, our goal is in sight:
Eleven hundred fed'ral marriage rights!

In the courthouse they will hear our lawsuits
All opposing Proposition 8
We're so glad the Court will hear our lawsuits
'Cause they know laws should not discriminate!

Later on, when it's legal,
when we're all treated equal ...(-ly)
We're happy tonight, our goal is in sight:
Eleven hundred fed'ral marriage rights!

In the meadow, we can build a snowman,
and pretend that he's Barack Obama.
He'll say "are you married?"
We'll say, "No, man,
but we should have the right to, if we wanna!"

Later on, when it's legal,
when we're all treated equal ...(-ly)
We're happy tonight, our goal is in sight:
Eleven hundred fed'ral marriage rights! [twice, second time end on high note]

ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS MY EQUAL RIGHTS!

All I want for Christmas is my equal rights,
My equal rights, my equal rights!
All I want for Christmas is my equal rights,
So I can wish you a Merry Christmas!

WEDDING BELLS!

(Sung to the tune of "Silver Bells")

Wedding Bells, Wedding Bells
It's Marriage Time in the City
Ring-a-ling, here them ring
Soon it will be our Wedding Day

City Sidewalks, Pretty Sidewalks
Dressed in bright rainbow style
In the air there's a feeling of justice
People passing, children laughing
Meeting smile after smile
and above all the bustle you hear

Wedding Bells, Wedding Bells
It's Marriage Time in the City

Ring-a-ling, here them ring
Soon it will be our Wedding Day.

Equality

(to the tune of "Ô Christmas Tree")

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.
E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

We'd like to serve our country well,
If they'd repeal "Don't ask, don't tell"...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

We lose our jobs—in many states—
Our kids, our homes, because we're gay...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

Domestic part-nerships sound great,
But they don't move from state to state...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

Those civil u-nions sure seem nice,
But they don't come with fed'ral rights...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

For four short months, we got a taste,
Till Prop 8 laid our rights to waste...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

Next Spring, at last, the Court will say
No vote can take our rights away...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us.

We still won't have full freedom then,
But marriage is a major step...

E-quality, e-quality, we wish you weren't denied us. [twice, second time slower]

Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow
On a one-horse open sleigh,
Over the fields we go,
Laughing all the way;
Bells on bob-tail ring,

Making spirits bright,
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight
Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way!
O what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh

A day or two ago,
I thought I'd take a ride,
And soon Miss Fanny Bright
Was seated by my side;
The horse was lean and lank;
Misfortune seemed his lot;
He got into a drifted bank,
And we, we got upsot.
Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells,
Jingle all the way!
What fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.

A day or two ago,
The story I must tell
I went out on the snow
And on my back I fell;
A gent was riding by
In a one-horse open sleigh,
He laughed as there
I sprawling lie,
But quickly drove away.
Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells,
Jingle all the way!
What fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.

Now the ground is white
Go it while you're young,
Take the girls tonight
And sing this sleighing song;
Just get a bob-tailed bay
Two-forty as his speed
Hitch him to an open sleigh
And crack! you'll take the lead.
Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells,
Jingle all the way!
What fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.

Frosty The Snowman

Frosty the snowman was a jolly happy soul,
With a corncob pipe and a button nose
And two eyes made out of coal.
Frosty the snowman is a fairy tale, they say,
He was made of snow but the children
Know how he came to life one day.
There must have been some magic in that
Old silk hat they found.
For when they placed it on his head
He began to dance around.
O, Frosty the snowman
Was alive as he could be,
And the children say he could laugh
And play just the same as you and me.
Thumpetty thump thump,
Thumpety thump thump,
Look at Frosty go.
Thumpetty thump thump,
Thumpety thump thump,
Over the hills of snow.

Frosty the snowman knew
The sun was hot that day,
So he said, "Let's run and
We'll have some fun
Now before I melt away."
Down to the village,
With a broomstick in his hand,
Running here and there all
Around the square saying,
Catch me if you can.
He led them down the streets of town
Right to the traffic cop.
And he only paused a moment when
He heard him holler "Stop!"
For Frosty the snow man
Had to hurry on his way,
But he waved goodbye saying,
"Don't you cry,
I'll be back again some day."
Thumpetty thump thump,
Thumpety thump thump,
Look at Frosty go.
Thumpetty thump thump,
Thumpety thump thump,
Over the hills of snow.

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

It's the most wonderful time of the year
With the kids jingle belling
And everyone telling you "Be of good cheer"
It's the most wonderful time of the year
It's the hap-happiest season of all
With those holiday greetings and gay happy meetings
When friends come to call
It's the hap- happiest season of all

There'll be parties for hosting
Marshmallows for toasting
And caroling out in the snow
There'll be scary ghost stories
And tales of the glories of
Christmases long, long ago

It's the most wonderful time of the year
There'll be much mistltoeing
And hearts will be glowing
When love ones are near
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It's the most wonderful time
Yes, It's the most wonderful time
Oh, It's the most wonderful time
It's the most wonderful time of the year

Let It Snow Let It Snow Let It Snow

Oh the weather outside is frightful
But the fire is so delightful
And since we've no place to go
Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

It doesn't show signs of stopping
And I've bought some corn for popping
The lights are turned way down low
Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

When we finally kiss goodnight
How I'll hate going out in the storm!
But if you'll really hold me tight
All the way home I'll be warm

The fire is slowly dying
And, my dear, we're still goodbying
But as long as you love me so
Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!