

Happy Christmas (War is over)

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V1: Solo + guitar --> Chorus (Tutti)
 V2: All + flute (melody) + Cl.1 + trump + violins (sustained notes) + cello --> Chorus (Tutti)
 War is over: All + flute part + Cl.2 + violins (sustained notes) + cello --> Chorus (Tutti)
 V3: Men tune (Women: "war is over") + flute ("War is over" 8ve) + Cl.2 + trump + violins (rhythm) + cello --> Chorus (Tutti) --> Coda

D **Em** **A⁷**

So this is Christ-mas____ And what have you done? An-oth-er year o-ver,____
 And so this is Christ-mas____ For weak and forstrong, For rich and the poor ones,____
 And so this is Christ-mas____ And what have we done? An-oth-er year o-ver,____

War is o-ver, if you want it, War is

vs1 tacet verse23 sustained notes vs 4 rhythm

6 **D** **G**

And a new one just be-gun. And so this is Christ-mas____ I hope you have
 The world is so wrong. And so hap-py Christ-mas____ For black & for
 And a new one just be-gun. And so this is Christ-mas____ I hope you have

o-ver, Now War is o-ver,

11 **Am** **D** **G**

fun The near & the dear ones,____ The old and the young.
 white For yel-low and red ones,____ Let's stop all the fight.
 fun The near and the dear ones,____ The old and the young.

if you want it, War is o-ver, Now

The musical score is written for a 6/8 time signature in the key of D major. It features a vocal line with lyrics and three instrumental parts: V1 (Solo + guitar), V2 (All + flute/melody + Cl.1 + trump + violins), and Vc. (Cello). The score is divided into three systems, each with a key signature change indicated by a large letter (D, Em, A7; D, G; Am, D, G). The lyrics are written below the vocal line, and the instrumental parts are written on staves below. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

Chorus

16 C D

A ve - ry Mer - ry Christ - mas, _____ and a Hap - py New Year.

V1. *(Play all times)*

V2. *(Play all times)*

Vc. *(Play all times)*

20 Am C G/B A⁷

Let's hope it's a good one, _____ With - out an - y fear.

V1. 1-2

V2.

Vc.

Coda

25 A⁷ p D Em A⁷ D

War is o - ver, if you want it, War is o - ver, Now. _____

V1. 3. *pp*

V2. *pp*

Vc. *pp*