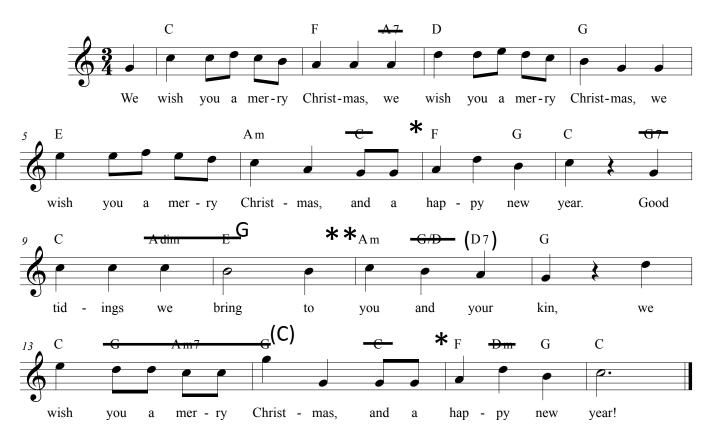
We Wish You a Merry Christmas

Traditional



- *This cadence can also be Dm-G-C or Dm7-G7-C
- ** This chord could be Am, F or C do whatever's easiest

Try playing the first 6 bars of the tune without 3rds in our chords (then you don't have to worry about pedals or levers) OR play the tune 'modaly' - that means the D chord in m. 3 would be a D minor (instead of D Major as it's written now), and the E chord in M. 5 would be an E minor. (So: just keep your harp tuned in C, and don't change levers/pedals for those chords).

Other ideas/alternatives:

- Play all the chords in the first 6 bars as 7th chords with no 3rd; Only play the root-5th of each chord in the first 6 bars, but break them rhythmically)
- Play m. 9-12 with a 6th below the melody and only a single-note bass
- Really memorize and practice the famous cadence ("And a Happy New Year!" so that you can always be solid when you get to that part of the song

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