

**Christmas Dinner**

**Paul Stookey**

From: Barrie McCombs

CHRISTMAS DINNER Time: 2/2 Tenor: G Bass: G

- Paul Stookey, 1963

6m 5 4 1  
And it .. came to pass on a Christmas evening

2m7 1 2 3  
. While all the doors were .. shuttered tight

6m 5 4 1  
.. Outside standing, .. lonely boy-child

2m7 1 3 6m \*.. Cold and shivering .. in the night

6m 5 4 1  
.. On the street, .. every window

2m7 1 2 3  
. Save but one, was .. gleaming bright

6m 5 4 1  
And to this window .. walked the boychild

2m7 1 3 6m \*  
.. Peeking in saw, .. candle light

6m 5 4 1  
Through other windows he had looked at turkeys

2m7 1 2 3  
. Ducks and geese, .. cherry pies

6m 5 4 1  
But through this window saw a grey-haired lady

2m7 1 3 6m \*  
.. Table bare and .. tears in her eyes

Into his coat reached the boy-child  
Knowing well there was little there  
He took from his pocket, his own Christmas dinner  
A bit of cheese, some bread ... to share

His outstretched hands held the food and they trembled  
As the door, it opened wide  
Said he, Would you share with me Christmas dinner  
Gently said she, Come inside

The grey-haired lady brought forth to the table  
Glasses two and her last drop of wine  
Said she, Here s a toast to everyone s Christmas  
and especially, ... yours and mine

And it came to pass on that Christmas evening  
While all the doors were shuttered tight  
That in that town, the happiest Christmas  
Was shared by ... candle light

NOTES:

- Timing varies in each verse

SYMBOLS:

- Asterisk (\*) = new measure, play same chord
- Period (.) = 1/8 note rest at start of a measure
- Underline(\_) = sustain note into next measure

CHORDS (Number System):

- Example:        1        2        3        4        5        6        7
- Key of **C**:        **C**        **D**        **E**        **F**        **G**        **A**        **B**
- Detailed description: [/pub/guitar/other\\_stuff/numbering\\_system.txt](/pub/guitar/other_stuff/numbering_system.txt)
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