Strike The Bell

Traditional.

This version based on Bernard Wrigley's 1974 "Rough and Wrigley" album.

4 / 4 Time. Intro: [G] [G7] [C]

[C] Up on the poop deck, [F] walking all a-bout,

[C] There stands the 2nd mate, so [G] sturdy and so [G7] stout.

[C] What he is a'thinking of, he [F] doesn't know him-[D]-self,

But we [G] wish that he would [G7] hurry up and [C] strike, strike the bell.

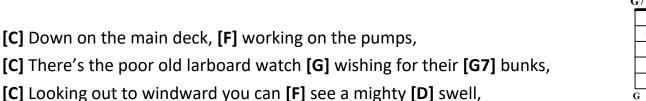
Chorus

[G] Strike the bell 2nd mate and [C] let us go below,

[F] Look you well to windward, you can [C] see its going to [G] blow.

[C] Looking at the glass, you can [F] see how much it's [D] fell,

And we [G] wish that you would [G7] hurry up and [C] strike, strike the bell.



[C] Down in the wheelhouse, Old [F] Anderson he stands, [C] Clutching at the wheel with his [G] frost-bitten hands.

[C] Looking at the compass, but the [F] course is clear as [D] hell,

And he's [G] wishing you would [G7] hurry up and [C] strike, strike the bell. -----Chorus

[C] Down in his cabin our [F] gallant captain stands,

[C] At the transom window with his spyglass in his [G] hands.

[C] What he is a-thinking of, we [F] all know very [D] well,

He's [G] thinking more of [G7] shortening sail than [C] strik-ing the bell. -----Chorus