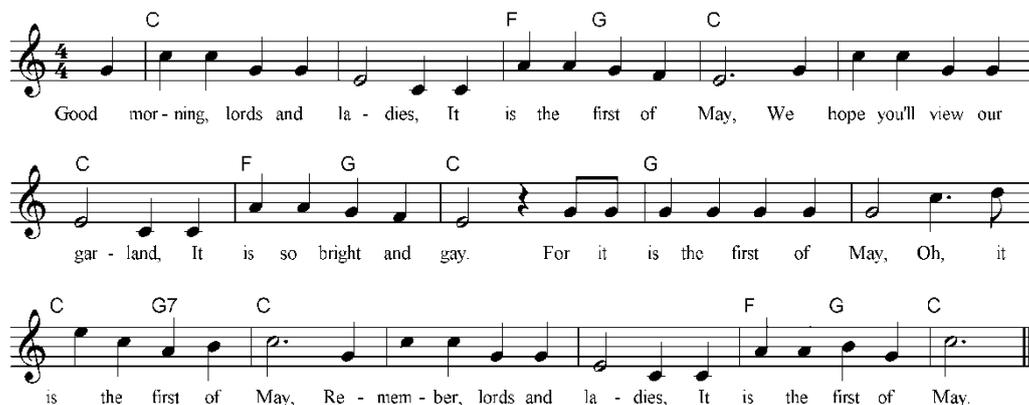


Good morning, lords and ladies

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A traditional song for the May Day celebrations.

Mrs Johnstone of Bedfordshire learned this song from her grandmother; collected by Fred Hammer it included a little book of May songs called 'Garners Gay' in 1967, published by EFDSS. Roud number 305. You can hear Margery Johnstone singing at: <https://afolksongaweek.wordpress.com/2014/05/01/week-141-good-morning-lords-and-ladies/>. Find more at: <http://mudcat.org/thread.cfm?threadid=68568>

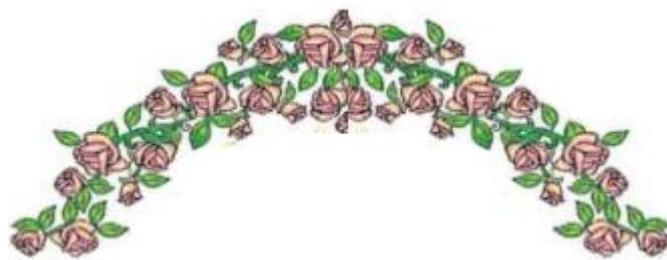


C F G C
Good mor-ning, lords and la - dies, It is the first of May, We hope you'll view our
C F G C G
gar - land, It is so bright and gay. For it is the first of May, Oh, it
C G7 C F G C
is the first of May, Re - mem - ber, lords and la - dies, It is the first of May.

Good morning, lords and ladies,
It is the first of May,
We hope you'll view our garland;
It is so bright and gay.
For it is the first of May,
Oh, it is the first of May,
Remember lords and ladies,
It is the first of May.

We gathered them this morning,
All in the early dew,
And now we bring their beauty
And fragrance all for you.
For it is the first of May,
Oh, it is the first of May,
Remember lords and ladies,
It is the first of May.

The cuckoo comes in April,
It sings its song in May,
In June it changes tune,
In July it flies away.
For it is the first of May,
Oh, it is the first of May,
Remember lords and ladies,
It is the first of May.



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