

SPRING 2025 LYRICS - BASS

CELEBRATION (p1)

(SA) Whoo, hoo Bass → It's a celebration

(SA) Whoo, hoo Bass → This is your celebration

Celebrate good times, come on! Let's celebrate! (x2)

(Solo verse)

Celebration! *(basses can sing this with the tenors down an octave, or drop out)*

(Solo: Let's all celebrate, and have a good time.)

Celebration! *(basses can sing this with the tenors down an octave, or drop out)*

(A+T: We're gonna celebrate, and have a good time.)

(Altos or Tenors) It's time to come together, it's up to you, what's your pleasure?

(All Basses both times) Everyone around the world, come on!

(SA) Whoo, hoo Bass → It's a celebration

(SA) Whoo, hoo Bass (second time through only) → It's a celebration

Celebrate good times, come on! It's a celebration!

Celebrate good times, come on! Let's celebrate!

(Repeat to the solo verse)

We're gonna have a good time tonight. Let's celebrate, it's alright! (x2)

Baby!

We're gonna have a good time tonight. Let's celebrate, it's alright! (x2)

(SA) Whoo, hoo (x2)

Celebrate good times, come on! Let's celebrate!

Celebrate good times, come on! It's a celebration!

Celebrate good times, come on! Let's celebrate!

Come on and celebrate tonight, and everything's gonna be alright. Let's celebrate!

Celebrate good times, come on! Let's celebrate!

Celebrate good times, come on!

COURAGE MY SOUL (p4)

Courage my soul, and let me journey on
Though the night is dark, and I am far from home
Praise be to God, the morning light appears

The storm is passing over (x3) Hallelu!
Hallelujah...

Thunder rolling, and billows shake the ground
See the lightening flashing and dark clouds all around
Jesus walked the seas and calmed the angry waves

The storm is passing over (x3) Hallelu!
Hallelujah...

NOW LET US SING (p6)

Now let us sing.....Now let us sing....
Lift up your head....Don't be afraid..
Now let us sing...Power of the Lord come down
Now let us sing (Back to beginning, repeat once)

Do, do, do....Glory Hallelujah....Do, do, do....
(Back to the top, and sing everything again one more time)

Now let us sing....Now let us sing...
Lift up your head....Don't be afraid..
Now let us sing.....Now let us sing.... (Repeat MANY times, last time hold long)
Lord come down, the Lord come down.

BEFORE MY ASHES FLOW TO THE SEA (p10)

Starts w/Solo then S/A @ m53

The song never ends just as life never ends.

Then a S/A section from m69-79

Life.... (x4, with long held note at the end)
Life.... (x9, with longer held notes only every three times)

The song never ends just as life never ends.

The song never ends just as life. Life (x4)

Life... (hold until the end of the piece)

WHAT HAVE WE DONE? (AZISENZENI NA?) (p17)

(Both times A/T) In the world, we are carrying our burden In the world, Oh God, you have the power

(sing this section twice)

Oh Lord, Oh Lord, We are carrying our burden, We are carrying our burden,

Oh God, you have the power

(A/T) In the world, we are carrying our burden In the world, Oh God, you have the power

(sing this section three times)

Oh Lord, Oh Lord, We are carrying our burden, We are carrying our burden,

Oh God, you have the power

INSTRUMENTAL

CODA

We have the power (x23)

Oh deep in my heart, I do believe that

We shall overcome some day

SWIMMING TO THE OTHER SIDE (p24)

(2 solo verses)

We are living 'neath the great big dipper

We are washed by the very same rain

We are swimming in this stream together

Some in power and some in pain

We can worship this ground we walk on

Cherishing the beings_____

Loving spirits will live forever

We're all swimming to the other side.

When we get there we'll discover

All the gifts we've been given to share

Have been with us since the beginning
And we never noticed they were there
We can balance at the brink of wisdom
Never recognize _____
Loving spirits will live forever
We're all swimming to the other side

MIRIAM'S SONG (p30)

CHORUS (*S/A only first time, everyone all remaining times*)

And the women, dancing with their timbrels
Followed Miriam as she sang her song
Sing a song to the One whom we've exalted
Miriam and the women danced the whole night long

Solo Verse

CHORUS

Solo Verse

CHORUS

Instrumental

Solo Quartet

CHORUS (with an offset rhythm)

ONE VOICE (p41)

(1st 3 verses are solos)

This is the sound of all of us,
Singing with love and the will to trust.
Leave the rest behind, it will turn to dust.
This is the sound of all of us. (x2)

This is the sound of one voice
One people, one voice
A song for every one of us
This is the sound of one voice (x2 - 2nd time unison)

A PROMISE I WILL KEEP (not in packet)

Baritone Solo

CHORUS

This is a promise I will keep. (x2)

I will turn my hand toward good, toward good.

This is a promise... I... will... keep

Alto and Baritone Solos

CHORUS (with different notes, but same words as above)

Alto and Baritone Solo

CHORUS

And if I am asked to turn my hand toward harm, toward hate,

And if I am asked to turn my thoughts toward harm, toward hate,

And if I am asked to turn my life toward harm, toward hate,

I would refuse.

In every house, I will enter for good.

In every field, I will do only good,

By every river, I will turn my hand toward good.

This is a promise I will keep.

CHORUS

This is a promise I will keep. (x2)

I will turn my hand toward good, toward good.

This is a promise... (x3 this time)

I... will... keep