



SONG BOOK

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L'cha Dodi

Commissioned by Cantor Shira Ginsburg and East End Temple

Words and Music by Michael Hunter Ochs

Text: Shlomo HaLevi Alkabetz, Shabbat evening liturgy

The fields grow dark the day is done
We gather 'neath the setting sun
Those evening stars are really little sparks
Of holiness remember this

Enter in love enter in peace
Take from the west into the east
Shake off the dust and lift your eyes up
Arise arise awake and sing

L'cha dodi likrat kalah pinei Shabbat n'kabila (x2)
L'cha l'cha l'cha dodi...

Draw near my beloved eternal light
Let us receive our blessed bride
Rejoice behold boi v'shalom
Arise arise awake and sing

L'cha dodi likrat kalah pinei Shabbat n'kabila (x2)
L'cha l'cha l'cha dodi...

Hashkiveinu

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Hashkiveinu Adonai
Eloheinu l'shalom
V'hamideinu shomreinu l'chaim

In the darkness of the night
When I'm scared to close my
eyes
Won't You ease my troubled
mind?
Hashkiveinu

May you guide us on our way
Walk beside us, keep us safe
Hear these humble words we
pray
Hashkiveinu

Ufros aleinu sukkat shlomecha
In the shadow of Your wings
Ufros aleinun sukkat shlomecha
In the promise morning brings

So much heartache so much hurt
So much hunger, so many search
For Your shelter, peace on earth
Hashkiveinu

Hashkiveinu Adonai
Eloheinu l'shalom
V'hamideinu malkeinu l'chaim

Baruch Atah Adonai
Haporeis sukkat shalom Aleinu
V'al Kol amo Yisrael
V'al Yerushalyim

A Mourner's Song

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Yitgadal v'yitkadash sh'mei raba.

B'alma di v'ra chirutei,

v'yamlich malchutei,

b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon

uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael,

Ki Ata Imadi

For You are here with me

Ki Ata Imadi

For You are here with me

Like the waves upon the sea are separate and connected

You are gone but still by my side

As the seasons must change

To dust we must return again

But love love love never dies.

For You are here with me

Ki Ata Imadi

For You are here with me

Adon Olam

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Adon olam, asher malach,
b'terem kol y'tzir nivra.
L'et naasah v'cheftzo kol,
azai Melech sh'mo nikra.

V'acharei kichlot hakol,
l'vado yimloch nora.
V'hu hayah, v'hu hoveh,
v'hu yih'yeh b'tifarah.

V'hu echad v'ein sheini,
l'hamishil lo l'hachbirah.
B'li reishit b'li tachlit,
v'lo haoz v'hamisrah.

V'hu eili v'chai go-ali,
v'tsur chevli b'eit tzrah.
V'hu nisi umanos li
m'nat kosi b'yom ekra.

B'yado afkid ruchi
b'eit ishan v'a-irah.
V'im ruchi g'viyati,
Adonai li v'lo ira.

Freedom (Mi Chamocha)

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Words of Liturgy

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Mi Chamocha ba'elim Adonai
Mi Kamocha ne'edar bakodesh
nora tehilot nora tehilot oseh
feleh

and the river is wide and the
river is deep
and the river is standing
between you and me and
freedom freedom
but we shall overcome one day

Mi Chamocha ba'elim Adonai
Mi Kamocha ne'edar bakodesh
nora tehilot nora tehilot oseh
feleh

and the river is fear and the
river is hate
and the river is standing 'tween
us and the gates of
freedom freedom
but we shall overcome one day

Mi Chamocha ba'elim Adonai

Mi Kamocha ne'edar bakodesh
nora tehilot nora tehilot oseh
feleh

and the river divides and the
river forgives
and the river's a wall and the
river's a bridge to
freedom freedom
but we shall overcome one day

with a tambourine and mighty hand
across the sea and the desert sand
let us sing the song of Miriam
next year in the the promised land
next year in the the promised land
next year in Jerusalem, in....

freedom freedom
but we shall overcome one day
freedom freedom
but we shall overcome one day

V'al Kulam

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Text: High Holy Day Liturgy

Words and English Lyrics by Michael Hunter Ochs

am I there for those who need me
giving of my heart completely
have I been caring and have I
been patient
have I forgiven without reservation

do I take my days for granted
treated others even handed and
shown compassion to the
homeless stranger
Have I been humble before my
creator

v al kulam v al kulam
eloha selichot v al kulam

selach lanu
machal lanu
kapper lanu
v al kulam

have I tread lightly on the planet
have I held fast to your commandment
and have I raised my voice against injustice
have I been giving, have I been selfish

v al kulam v al kulam
eloha selichot v al kulam

selach lanu
machal lanu
kapper lanu
v al kulam

Esa einai el heharim,
me'ayin me'ayin yavo ezri
Ezri me'im Adonai
Oseh shamayim va'aretz

Roll Like a River

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Music and Lyrics by Michael Hunter Ochs*

The times have found us for a moment such as this
To pray with our feet and not just with our lips
It falls to each of us to shed a little light
And to listen that quiet voice of truth deep down inside

Tzedek tzedek tirdof
Tzedek tzedek tirdof
Tzedek tzedek tirdof
For all god's children

Let justice roll like a river roll on like a river
And righteousness a never-ending stream
Let justice roll like a river roll on like a river
And righteousness a never-ending stream

There's how the world is and there's how it oughta be
We rise and fall upon the tides of hate and bigotry
We may not heal the hurt in the balance of our days
But are we free to simply turn and walk the other way?

Tzedek tzedek tirdof
Tzedek tzedek tirdof
Tzedek tzedek tirdof
For all god's children!



Let justice roll like a river roll on like a river
And righteousness a never-ending stream
Let justice roll like a river roll on like a river
And righteousness a never-ending stream

Hallelujah... hallelujah... hallelujah

And we will sail on that river my brother my sister
Til' we reach the shore where all are delivered
Tomorrow's today and today is the time
'Cuz justice delayed is justice denied

Let justice roll like a river roll on like a river
And righteousness a never-ending stream
Let justice roll like a river roll on like a river
And righteousness a never-ending stream

Hallelujah... hallelujah... hallelujah

The times have found us for a moment such as this

The Banyan Tree

*Words and Music by Michael Hunter Ochs with the students of
East End Temple and Cordoba House*

Let's get to know each other
beneath the banyan tree
Just sit here in the shade
and talk about our families
Same story different faces
it's not so complicated

chorus:

I am me because of you
you are you because of me
let's put our hands together
and shape our destiny
Like the branches are connected
someday we will see
there is room for everyone
underneath the banyan tree

Let's say a prayer together
beneath the banyan tree
for love and peace and freedom
for all humanity
We can't wait any longer
together we are stronger

chorus

We are joy we are pain
We forgive and share the blame
We fall short then we rise
I see myself there in your eyes

We run scared and stand our
ground
We are lost but we'll be found
We all have roots we all have
dreams
We're not as different as we seem

chorus

Let's get to know each other

Kabbalat Shabbat Medley

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L'chu N'rane L'chu N'rane L'chu N'ranenah (x3)

Shiru L'Adonai Kol Haaretz

Shiru L'Adonai Shir...

Hinei Ma Tov U'mana'im shevet achim

Gam Yachad Hinei Hinei Hinei Ma Tov

Shiru L'Adonai Kol Ha'aretz

Shiru L'Adonai Shir Chadash