

# SEATTLE PEACE CHORUS

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## STREET SONG LYRICS

### 1. THERE'S A LIGHT Bb; t-F

1. There's a light, there's a light in the darkness and the dark of the night shall not harm us, we can trust not to fear for our comfort is near, There's a light, there's a light in the darkness

2. *There is Peace, ... 3. There is Hope, ...*

### 2. VINE & FIG TREE (2 part round) B

1. B And every man 'neath his vine and fig tree shall live in peace and unafraid;(2x)

2. D *And into plowshares beat their swords, nations shall learn war no more (2x)*

### 3. BRIGHT MORNING STARS D

1. Bright morning stars are rising; Bright morning stars are rising, Bright morning stars are rising; Day is a-break'in in my soul.

2. They too had dreams of freedom, they had dreams of peace and freedom, they had dreams of peace and freedom... All their lives still are breaking in my soul.

### 4. I SHALL ARISE (3 part round)

1. c I shall arise and be delivered from oppression; 2. c I shall say unto thee I shall be free in spite whatever befalls me; 3. E I would no more worthy if I turned away my eye.

5. SAMO NEK BUDE MIR s-C,a/b-A, t-E (Serbo-Croatian: "Can we just have Peace") (by Fred West based on the Threefold Amen)

Samo, samo nec bude mir, nec bude 3x

6. FREEDOM IS COMING G; t-D, s-B  
Freedom is coming... Oh yes. I know.  
Oh peaceful people... our time is coming  
Justice is coming... Oh yes, I know, etc.

### 7. NOT IN MY NAME c

(BY TRINA ROTSKOFF)

1. In a Democracy we have responsibility and when we disagree we must stand up! So when our Government on waging war is bent we must voice are dissent, we must stand up:

**AND I WILL STAND UP FOR FREEDOM,  
I WILL STAND UP FOR JUSTICE  
I WILL STAND UP TO SAY**

**"NOT IN MY NAME"**

**I WILL STAND UP FOR PEACE**

**I WILL STAND UP FOR DEMOCRACY,**

**I WILL STAND UP TO SAY**

**"NOT IN MY NAME"**

2. So when the rights of one are infringed upon all of the freedom is gone, we must stand up! Let the imprisoned hear, freedom will persevere, we will not live in fear, we will stand up! .

8. THUMA MINA (South African: *Take Me*) E  
Thuma mina, Thuma mina 3x,--Somandla  
Let there be Peace, Let there be peace on this Earth 2x

Listen well, Listen well all my children, you will often disagree.

Harm not the child, The child is our hope, she is our future, let her be.

Create our world, It will grow peaceful with your care, join together ease your fear.

### 9. SIYAHAMBA D t-B

(South African: "We are marching in the light of god")

Siyahamb'e kukhanyenni kwenkos'  
We are dancing in the light of Peace, We are singing, We are marching etc

### 26. THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND G; a-D, t-B

1. As I went walking that ribbon of highway I saw above me that endless skyway, I saw below me that golden valley THIS LAND WAS MADE FOR YOU AND ME.

**THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND, THIS LAND IS MY LAND FROM CALIFORNIA TO THE NEW YORK ISLAND, FROM THE REDWOOD FOREST TO THE GULF STREAM WATER, THIS LAND WAS MADE FOR YOU AND ME.**

2. I roamed and I rambled and I followed my footsteps o'er the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts, while all around me a voice was sounding: THIS...

3. When the sun came shining then I was strolling, and the wheat fields waving, and the dust-clouds rolling, a voice was chanting as the fog was lifting, THIS...

### 27. SINGING FOR OUR LIVES (Holly Near)

We are a gentle angry people (and we are) singing, singing for our lives

*We are a land of many colors.*

*We are gay and straight together...*

*We are a peaceful, loving people...etc.*

### 28. I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER

G; s-B, a/b-D,

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul; ---*I've got joy like a fountain, etc. I've got love like an ocean,*

### 29. HINE MA TOV (How good in friendship)

Hine ma tov uma naim shev't achim gam yachad (repeat with "shevet hyote" replacing "gam yachad")

### 30. THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

G; s-D,a/t-B,

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)...let it shine, let it shine I've got the light of love, of freedom etc,

### 31. AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL B

1. Oh beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain

**AMERICA! AMERICA! GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE, AND CROWN THY GOOD WITH BROTHERHOOD FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA.**

2. O beautiful for working folk who forged the wealth we see, in farm & mill, in home & school unsung in history.

**AMERICA, AMERICA MAY RACE NOR SEX NOR CREED NO MORE DIVIDE, BUT SIDE BY SIDE, ALL RISE UNITED, FREED!**

3. O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!

**AMERICA! AMERICA! GOD MEND THINE EVERY FLAW, CONFIRM THY SOUL IN SELF CONTROL, THY LIBERTY IN LAW!**

### 32. HYMN FOR NATIONS

(Beethoven's 9<sup>th</sup>) G; s-B, a-D

Brother shout your country's anthem, sing your land's undying fame, light the wondrous tale of nations with your people's golden name. Tell your fathers' noble story, raise on high your country's sign. Join then in the final glory, won't you lift your flag with mine.

*Build the road of peace before us, build it wide and deep and long. Speed the slow, remind the eager, help the weak and guide the strong. None shall push aside another, none shall let another fall, WORK BESIDE ME, OH, MY BROTHER, ALL FOR ONE AND ONE FOR ALL.*

## 10. COMMON THREAD

(Pat Humphries) G

1. In a many colored garden we are rising side by side, We will rise all together, we will rise. With the sun and rain upon us, not a row will be denied, We will rise all together, we will rise.

*We will rise like the ocean, we will rise like the sun. We will rise all together, we will rise. In our many colored fabrics, made from strands of common thread We will rise all together, we will rise.*

3. We'll defy the threat of violence, we'll no longer live in fright. We will rise all together, we will rise. With our arms around our neighbors we will walk into the light. We will rise all together, we will rise. We will weave a freedom fabric from these strands of common thread.

## 11. NEVER TURNING BACK

(Pat Humphries) G a-D, s-B

Gonna keep on walkin' forward Gonna keep on walkin' forward Gonna keep on walkin' forward never turning back; never turning back. keep on walkin' proudly/reach across our borders/ work to end the killing/ keep on moving forward etc.

## 12. LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

G s-F, a/b-D, t-F

Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of Liberty; Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. *Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us, Facing the rising sun of our new day begun let us march on till victory is won.*

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*"WAGING PEACE IN THE STREETS"*

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## 13. SENZENINA

(South African: *What have we done?*) C

Senzenina.....*Sen-zen-i-na*,  
Let there be Peace...let there be Peace

## 14. NORTHFIELD (shapenote) Bb a-F

1. How long till peace upon the land,  
shall this bright hour delay

*Fly swift around ye wheels of time,  
Fly swift around ye wheels of time,  
And bring the promised day.*

2. *Justice and peace shall flower and grow, when we each take a stand*

3. Hunger shall no more stalk the poor,  
when wealth is shared by all.

## 15. AMAZING GRACE F s/a-C,t-A

1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me I once was lost, but now I'm found; was blind, but now I see. 2. *Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace that fear relieved how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.*

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home.

4. *When we've been here ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.*

## 16. PEACE, SALAAM, SHALOM

(Pat Humphries) (2 to 4 part round) D/ B / G

1. D Peace-salaam-shalom (2x-2 parts) 2. B Peace-sallam-shaloom 3. D *Peace salaam, shalom (2x) (B) We believe in peace (5x) (We will work for peace, We can live in peace) 3. G Shalom, salaam(4x—4<sup>th</sup> part)...*

## 17. DONA NOBIS PACEM

(Let there be Peace) (3 part round)

Dona nobis pacem, pacem...

1. F 2. C 3.F

## 18. SOON & VERY SOON B

1. Soon and very soon, we are going to change this world, (3x) Forever and ever, we're going to change the world. 2. Marching on for peace 3. Equal rights for all...

## 19. NAIROBI PEACE SONG C

If every woman in the world had her mind set on freedom, if every woman in the world dreamed the sweet dream of peace; if every woman-of every nation-young and old, each generation, held her arms out, in the name of love, there would be no more war. *every man all the children. all the people*

## 20. SONG OF PEACE

(Finlandia) F; t-C; s-A

This is my song O gods of all the nations a song of peace for lands afar and mine; This is my home, the country where my heart is, here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine; But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean and sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine but other lands have sunlight too and clover and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine. O hear my prayer, O gods of all the nations A song of peace for their lands and for mine

## 21. AIN'T GONNA LET NOBODY TURN ME AROUND

Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around (3x), Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around I'm gonna keep on a walkin' keep on a talkin' Marchin' on to freedom's land! Ain't gonna let... *Injustice; segregation; oppression; war fever; stupidity; etc.*

## 22. MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE G

My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring. *"mothers"*

## 23. THIS PRETTY PLANET

(3 part round)

1.A This pretty planet, spinning through space you're a garden, you're a harbor, you're a holy place 2 A. *Golden sun going down, gentle blue giant, spinning around;* 3. F All through the night, safe till the morning light

## 24. WE SHALL NOT BE MOVED

G; s-B, t-D

*We shall not, we shall not be moved We shall not, we shall not be moved Just like a tree that's standing by the water We shall not be moved*

We're fighting for our freedom, We shall not be moved (2x) just like a tree that standing by the water, we shall not be moved. *Young and old together, Black & White together, etc. UNITA IN LA LUCHA (UNITED IN THE STRUGGLE), NO, NOS, MOVERAN (2X) COMO, ARBO FIRME JUNTO AL RIO, NO NOS MOVERAN; NO, NOS, NO NOS MOVERAN, (2X) COMO ARBOR FIRME JUNTO AL RIO, NO NOS MOVERAN.*

## 25. WE SHALL NOT GIVE UP THE FIGHT (on PEACE) (South African: G)

We shall not give up the fight, we have only started, we have only started, we have only started; (repeat) We shall not give up on Peace.... We'll put an end to bigotry hand holding hand, hand holding hand etc....

Other songs: We Shall Overcome, Where Have All the Flowers Gone, Hold the Fort, Last Night I had the Strangest Dream, Shalom Aleichem, Kumbaya, Wade in the Water, Last Night I Had the Strangest Dream, Daughters & Sons etc.

