



### **Blue Boat Home #1064**

words: Peter Mayer, music Roland Hugh Prichard/ accomp. arr.  
Jason Shelton

1. Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains. Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say: I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

2. Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea, leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep. Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls, making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

3. I give thanks to the waves up holding me, hail the great winds urging me on, greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song: I was born up on the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.

### **We're Coming Home**

Carolyn McDade

#### CHORUS

We're coming home to the spirit in our soul  
We're coming home and the healing makes us whole.  
Like rivers running to the sea,  
we're coming home, we're co—ming—home

1. As the day is woven into night  
As the darkness lives within the light  
As we open vision to new sight  
We're coming home, we're co—ming-- home. CHORUS

2. Bearing words born new unto each day  
speaking bold where only silence lay  
As we dare to rise and lead the way  
We're coming home, we're co—ming-- home. CHORUS

3. To create a world of joy and peace  
Where the power of justice does release  
Love abounding, wars forever cease  
We're coming home, we're co—ming-- home. CHORUS

### **Enter, Rejoice, and Come In #361**

words and music by Louise Ruspini

1 Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

2 Open your ears to the song. Open your ears to the song. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

3 Open your hearts ev'ryone. Open your hearts ev'ryone. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

4 Don't be afraid of some change. Don't be afraid of some change. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

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Reading: #489

When love is felt or fear is known,

\_\_When holidays and holy days and such times come,

When anniversaries arrive by calendar or consciousness,

\_\_When seasons come, as seasons do, old and known, but somehow new,

When lives are born or people die,

\_\_When something sacred's sensed in soil or sky,

Mark the time.

\_\_Respond with thought or prayer or smile or grief,

Let nothing living slip between the fingers of the mind,

\_\_For all of these are holy things we will not, cannot, find again.

Max A. Coots

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