**Singwell Choir Spring 2022**

1. **Friendship**

As the rain clouds start to gather  
As the sun begins to fade  
And as trials and tribulations  
Put your life into the shade.

I will help your heart take flight  
Turning darkness into light  
I will be there at your side  
Strong as sun and moon and tide.

*Poem  
Everyone tune  
2 parts – tenor (Doom) + alto  
3 parts x 2  
3 parts unaccompanied  
Tenors - tune  
Dooms to end*

1. **I’ll Be There for You (‘Friend’s’ theme)**

1…So no one told you life was gonna be this way  
Your job's a joke, you're broke  
Your love life's DOA  
It's like you're always stuck in second gear  
When it hasn't been your day, your week, your month  
Or even your year, but

*[Chorus – 3 parts]*I'll be there for you  
*ALTOS* (When the rain starts to pour)  
I'll be there for you  
(Like I've been there before)  
I'll be there for you  
('Cause you're there for me too)

2…You're still in bed at ten  
And work began at eight  
You've burned your breakfast  
So far, things are going great  
Your mother warned you there'd be days like these  
But she didn't tell you when the world has brought  
You down to your knees , but

[Chorus]

*[Bridge]*  
No one could ever know me  
No one could ever see me  
Seems you're the only one who knows  
What it's like to be me  
Someone to face the day with  
Make it through all the rest with  
Someone I'll always laugh with  
Even at my worst, I'm best with you, yeah

*[8 bars instrumental]*

It's like you're always stuck in second gear  
When it hasn't been your day, your week, your month  
Or even your year, but

[Chorus x2]

*[Instrumental to end]*

1. **May it Be (Enya – Lord of the Rings)**

*Verses: Tenors and altos tune, Soprano ‘Aah’*1…May it be the evening star  
Shines down upon you  
May it be when darkness falls  
You heart will be true  
You walk a lonely road  
Oh how far you are from home

*Chorus: Tenors and sops tune, altos below*Morni-ay, Utuli-ay - Believe and you will find your way  
M-orni-ay, alanti-ay - A promise lives inside you now.

2..May it be the shadow’s call will fly away  
May it be your journey on to light the day.  
When the night is overcome  
You may rise to find the sun.

*[Solo v1 – Unison V1 – Chorus 2 parts –   
V1 two parts – chorus – v2 two parts – 2 x chorus to end. Repeat last line ‘A promise… then ‘aah’]*

1. **Something Inside So Strong**

*[Unison]*1. The higher you build your barriers  
The taller I become  
The farther you take my rights away  
The faster I will run  
You can deny me  
You can decide to turn your face away  
No matter, cos there's....  
  
*[Chorus – 3 parts]*

Something inside so strong  
I know that I can make it  
Tho' you're doing me wrong, so wrong  
You thought that my pride was gone

Oh no, something inside so strong  
Oh something inside so strong

[Solo with choir backing]  
2. The more you refuse to hear my voice

*[Oo-way, oo-way, oo-way Oooh]*The louder I will sing

*[Sing, sing, sing]*You hide behind walls of Jericho  
Your lies will come tumbling  
Deny my place in time  
You squander wealth that's mine  
My light will shine so brightly  
It will blind you – ‘cos there's......  
  
*[Chorus – 3 parts]*

*[Bridge – solo with choir backing]*

Brothers and sisters  
When they insist we're just not good enough  
*[Not good enough. Oh, oh]*  
When we know better *[When we know better]*Just look 'em in the eyes and say  
We’re gonna do it anyway x4  
*[Everyone join in with last two]*

*[Chorus – 3 parts] Last line x4*

1. **Celebration!**

Yahoo! (Tenors) It’s a celebration x 2  
  
**Celebrate good times, come on**(Tenors) It's a celebration  
**Celebrate good times, come on**(Tenors) Let's celebrate

1..There's a party going on right here  
A celebration to last throughout the years  
So bring your good times and your laughter too  
We gonna celebrate your party with you  
Come on now

**Celebration**Let's all celebrate and have a good time  
**Celebration**  
We gonna celebrate and have a good time

It's time to come together  
It's up to you, what's your pleasure?  
Everyone around the world, come on!

*[Repeat whole song]*

Yahoo! (Tenors) It’s a celebration x 2  
  
**Celebrate good times, come on**(Tenors) It's a celebration  
**Celebrate good times, come on**(Tenors) Let's celebrate

BRIDGE  
We're gonna have a good time tonight  
Let's celebrate, it's all right x 4   
(Altos) Celebration [Last 2 times]

Yahoo! (Tenors) It’s a celebration x 2  
**Celebrate good times, come on!**

1. **You’ve Got a Friend**
2. When you're down and troubled  
   And you some loving care  
   And nothing, nothing is going right  
   Close your eyes and think of me  
   And soon I will be there  
   To brighten up even your darkest night

You just call out my name  
And you know wherever I am  
I'll come running, to see you again  
Winter, spring, summer or fall  
All you've got to do is call  
And I'll be there, yes I will.  
You've got a friend

[Solo]  
2. If the sky above you  
Grows dark and full of clouds,  
And that old north wind begins to blow  
Keep you head together  
And call my name out loud   
Soon you'll hear me knocking at your door

[Bridge –everyone]  
Ain't it good to know that you've got a friend  
When people can be so cold  
They'll hurt you, yes, and desert you  
And take your soul if you let them, oh but don't you let 'em.

Chorus

Last line x 4 to end

1. **Pick a Pocket or Two**

Tenors –oom, oom, oom, oompa pa pa

Altos, then sopranos – pa, pa pa pa   
1..In this life, one thing counts  
In the bank, large amounts.  
I’m afraid these don’t grow on trees  
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys  
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two

(Oom, oom etc)

2..Robin Hood, what a crook!  
Gave away, what he took.  
Charity's fine, subscribe to mine.  
You’ve got to pick-a-pocket or two

3..When I see someone rich,  
Both my thumbs start to itch  
Only to find some peace of mind  
We have to pick-a-pocket or two.

(Oom, oom etc) oom – pah – pah!

1. **By and By**

*[1: Tenors and Altos, 2: Sopranos]*1. Oh, by and by, by and by  
I’m gonna lay down my heavy load x2

2..Oh by and by, by and by  
…………..I’m gonna lay down  
My heavy loa—ad, by and by  
……….I’m gonna lay down my load.

*[Verses – solos or sections lines 1 + 3]*

1..I know my robe’s gonna fit me well  
*[I’m gonna lay down my heavy load]*I’ve tried it on and I’ve got to tell  
*[I’m gonna lay down my heavy load]*

2…My children coming after me  
*[I’m gonna lay down my heavy load]*They’re from this weary world set free!  
*[I’m gonna lay down my heavy load]*

1. **Wayfaring Stranger**

*Tenor Solo V1 - Unison V1 -   
V1 and 2: Thee parts. Start Alto, + sop, + then tenor tune. - Tenor solo to end*1. I am a poor wayfaring stranger  
I’m travelling through this world of woe  
Yet there’s no sickness, toil nor danger  
In that bright land to which I go.  
**I'm going there to see my Father  
I’m going there no more to roam**I'm only going over Jordan  
I'm only going over home

2. I know dark clouds will gather 'round me  
I know my way is rough and steep  
But golden fields lie just before me  
Where God's redeemed shall never sleep.  
**I'm going home to see my Mother  
And all my loved ones who’ve gone on.**I'm only going over Jordan  
I'm only going over home.

(Tenor solo) I'm only going over Jordan  
I'm only going over home