Songs of Our Faith

He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands

Chorus
He’s got the whole world in his hands.
He’s got the whole wide world in his hands.
He’s got the whole world in his hands.
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Verse 1
He’s got the itty bitty babies in his hands.
He’s got the girls and boys in his hands.
He’s got the great big grown-ups in his hands.
He’s got the whole world in his hands.

Verse 2
He’s got the earth and sky in his hands.
He’s got the trees and oceans in his hands.
He’s got the froggies and the monkeys in his hands.
He’s got the whole world in his hands.

Verse 3
He’s got everybody here in his hands.
He’s got everybody here in his hands.
He’s got everybody here in his hands.
He’s got the whole world in his hands.

(Chorus)
Las Posadas (The Inns)
(A carol to ask for shelter)

The pilgrims
In the name of heaven,
I beg you give us lodging.
She can no longer walk,
my beloved wife.

The dwellers
We have no room, this is not
a hotel.
You’d better move along.
I will not open my door,
for all I know you could be
thieves.

The pilgrims
Have mercy, don’t be
heartless.
Show us some charity.
Surely God in heaven
will give you your reward.

The dwellers
Go away, I tell you,
don’t bother us anymore.
Because if I get angry,
someone could get hurt.

The pilgrims
We are truly worn out
traveling from Nazareth.
I am a worker, a carpenter.
My name is Joseph.

The dwellers
Never mind your name.
Just let me go back to sleep.
As I’ve already told you,
we will not open the door.

The pilgrims
She who is asking for shelter,
dear and good soul,
and merely for one night,
is the Queen of Heaven.

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The dwellers
Well, if it is a queen, the one who is asking for shelter, why is she out at night, wandering so alone?

The pilgrims
My wife is Mary. She is the Queen of Heaven. She’s going to be the Mother of the Divine Word, the Son of God.

The dwellers
It is you, Joseph! Your wife is Mary! O Pilgrims, enter in! I did not recognize you.

The pilgrims
May the Lord reward you for your charity, and may heaven fill you with joy and happiness.

All
How blessed the home that gives shelter today to the Immaculate Virgin, The beautiful Mary.
Enter in, O Holy Pilgrims. Welcome to this corner here, which although is a lowly dwelling, I share with all my heart.
We Are Church

Chorus
We are Church.
We are God’s family.
All around the world,
we share God’s love.
We are the Church,
you and me.

Verse 1
I am welcome,
and you are too.
Boys and girls,
all abilities too.
No matter your age,
you have talents to share.
To share with the Church,
to share everywhere.

(Chorus)

Verse 2
We love Jesus
and follow his ways.
We are disciples,
each and every day.
We can help
in our parish and our homes.
We can help others
know that they are not alone.

(Chorus)

Verse 3
When we need an answer,
the Church is always there.
To teach the Truth
and show us how to care.
With holy days,
and sacraments for all,
the Church calls us home.
The Church is for all.

(Chorus)
The Baptism Song

Verse 1
Let us welcome this child into God’s big family.
Welcome this child into God’s big family.
Welcome this child into God’s big family.
Let all the family come ’round.

Verse 2
Let us hear God’s Word in God’s special family.
Hear the Word in God’s special family.
Hear the Word in God’s special family.
Let the Word ring out.

Verse 3
Let us baptize this child into God’s own family.
Baptize this child into God’s own family.
Baptize this child into God’s own family.
Let the water pour down!

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Verse 4
Let us strengthen this child in God’s mighty family.
Strengthen this child in God’s mighty family.
Strengthen this child in God’s mighty family.
Let the oil pour down.

Verse 5
Let us bless this child into God’s loving family.
Bless this child into God’s loving family.
Bless this child into God’s loving family.
Let the chrism pour down.

Verse 6
Let us light a candle in God’s holy family.
Light a candle in God’s holy family.
Let us light a candle in God’s holy family.
Let the light shine down.

Verse 7
Let us pray for this child who has joined God’s family.
Pray for this child who has joined God’s family.
Pray for this child who has joined God’s family.
Let the Holy Spirit come down.
Song of Love

Chorus
Thank you, Jesus, for helping me to see.
Thank you, God, for the heart you’ve given me.
Thank you, Spirit, for coming to me
and for showing me how to sing your song of love.

Verse 1
I saw Jesus inside my heart,
making me God’s own work of art.
If I spread my joy in life each day,
I can show my love for God’s world in ev’ry way.

(Chorus)

Verse 2
I saw Jesus in friends and family
by my side, sharing and supporting me.
I found my heart had room for ev’ry one.
Thank you, Spirit, for what you have begun.

(Chorus)
I Have Great Joy in My Soul

Chorus
I have great joy in my soul,
joy in my soul,
joy in my being and my soul.
Alleluia! Praise the Lord!
It’s like a river of living water,
river of living water,
river of living water in my soul.

Verse 1
Don’t be too shy to rejoice and praise the Lord.
Don’t be too shy to rejoice and praise the Lord.
Give praise to God, glory to God, glory to him.
Don’t be too shy to rejoice and praise the Lord.

(Chorus)

Verse 2
With grateful heart and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
With grateful heart and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Give praise to God, glory to God, glory to him.
With grateful heart and rejoicing, praise the Lord.

(Chorus)

Verse 3
Love Holy Mary and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Love Holy Mary and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Give praise to God, glory to God, glory to him.
Love Holy Mary and rejoicing, praise the Lord.

(Chorus)

Verse 4
Love all your brothers and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Love all your sisters and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Give praise to God, glory to God, glory to him.
Love all your brothers and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Love all your sisters and rejoicing, praise the Lord.
Silent Night

Verse 1
Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace!
Sleep in heavenly peace!

Verse 2
Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar.
Heavenly Hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born!
Christ the Savior is born!

Verse 3
Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love’s pure light.
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace.
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth!
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