

Returning Home a Different Way

- Written for "The Epiphany Adventure," Vancouver South Presbytery, February 6, 1999 -

- unison with keyboard accompaniment -

The musical score is written for a unison voice and keyboard accompaniment. It is in the key of A major (indicated by three sharps: F#, C#, G#) and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The score is divided into four systems, each with a measure number (1, 4, 7, 10) at the beginning. The lyrics are: "We come un-cer-tain, to ques-tion what an-oth-er day will bring. Will we find com-fort, Will we find fam-i-liar me-lo-dies to sing? We come with bur-dens, a sto-ry that so of-ten goes un-told. But still we come to-geth-er, trust-ing in God's pres-ence man-i-". The keyboard accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: A, D, E, A, A, D, E, A, E/G#, F#m, D, Bm, G, E/G#, E, D, E.

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13 A Bm E A

fold. We come re-joic - ing that

16 D E A A

we are pil-grim peo - ple mak-ing new. We come with laugh-ter, to

19 D E A F#m

share a joke, a prayer, a song or two. We come for heal-ing, to

22 D Bm G E/G# E

know that oth-ers share the cares we bring. We come com - mit - ted to

25 D E A F#m

find a brand new song that we can sing: Re-turn-ing home re -

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28 D E A F#m

freshed, re-newed, to face an-oth - er day. Yes, we are called to

31 D E A F#m

share our love for Christ a-long the way. and though the road seems lone-ly, a path

34 D Bm F#m D A/C#

so clear-ly marked in shades of grey, we know we have each oth - er, for

37 Bm7 E A D Bm E

we are sis-ter broth - er. We trav-el not a-lone re-turn-ing home a dif-ferent way.

40 A Bm E A

We go re-joic - ing,

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43 D E A A

know-ing in our hearts we're not a - lone. We go to - geth-er,

46 D E A F#m

cast-ing seed and tend-ing what is sown. We walk to - geth-er,

49 D Bm G E/G# E

light of hope and heal-ing love we bring. We'll work to - geth-er to

52 D E A F#m

share with all the world the song we sing: Re turn-ing home re -

55 D E A F#m

freshed, re-newed, to face an-oth - er day. Yes, we are called to

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58 D E A F#m

share our love for Christ a-long the way. And though the road seems lone-ly, a path

61 D Bm F#m D A/C#

so clear-ly marked in shades of grey, we know we have each oth - er, for

64 Bm7 E A D Bm rit.

we are sis - ter broth - er. We trav - el not a - lone, re - turn - ing home

66 E A

a dif - ferent way.

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