

# We Are Waiting

for the Silver Jubilee Celebration of St. Joseph's Pastoral Centre, London

(working for people with learning difficulties)

Bernadette Farrell

## REFRAIN (♩ = ca. 92)

Soprano  
Alto

We are wait - ing to welcome Je - sus. We are  
Al - le - lu - ia! We welcome Je - sus. Al - le -

Baritone

F Gm/F F

Keyboard

wait - ing to welcome Je - sus. Al - le - lu - ia! We welcome  
lu - ia! We welcome Je - sus. Al - le - lu - ia! We welcome

Gm/C F

Je - sus: on - ly Je - sus can set us free. *Fine*  
Je - sus. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Gm/D Dm Gm7 C7 F Bb/F F *Fine*

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Bb C7 Am Dm

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Gm C7 Fsus4 F Bb C7

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Ah \_\_\_\_\_ Come, Lord Je - sus, and set your peo - ple free! \_\_\_\_\_

Am D Gm Gm7 C D.C.

## Composer Notes

St. Joseph’s Pastoral Centre in London has served adults and children with special needs for over twenty-five years. The staff and volunteers at the Centre, with amazing joy and creative energy, provide a network of support and a space that is radically inclusive. The Centre’s logo of four connected hearts represents faith, hope, love and justice.

In 2002 the Centre celebrated its Silver Jubilee. The liturgy for the event was prepared by a special group of leaders and residents. To find a theme, they prayed and reflected on the Gospels of Advent. “We are waiting to welcome Jesus” was the chosen message. I was asked to take the theme and provide them with a musical setting of it for their celebration. The tune had to be simple and lively in character. Originally intended for the Gathering Rite, in the end we found it very adaptable for other moments in the liturgy as well. Feel free to shape it to your own needs—sing it as written with verses, or use the refrain on its own as a response, or repeat the refrain as an *ostinato*. Your choice.

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Capo 3: (D) F (Em/D) (D) Gm/F F (Em/A) Gm/C

We are wait - ing \_\_\_ to wel - come Je - sus We are wait - ing \_\_\_ to wel - come  
 Al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_ We Al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_ We wel - come

(D) F (Em/B) (Bm) Gm/D Dm (Em7) Gm7 (A7) C7 (D) (G/D) (D) F Bb/F F *Fine*

Je - sus. We are wait - ing \_\_\_ to wel - come Je - sus. Je - sus can set us free. \_\_\_  
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(Em) Gm (A7) C7 (Dsus4) Fsus4 (D) G (D7) F7 (G) Bb (A7) C7

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(F#m) Am (B) D (Em) G (Em7) Gm7 (A) C *D.C.*

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