

Christ Beside Us

for the 2002 Bicentenary Celebration of the Ursuline Sisters of Jesus

Bernadette Farrell

INTRO (♩ = ca. 79)

Keyboard

F B♭ F Gm C F C/F B♭/F Fmaj7 Gm7 F/A B♭ C7

REFRAIN

Descant

Christ be - fore us ev - er be.

Melody

Christ be-side us, Christ be-fore us, Christ our way, our fu - ture be.

F B♭ F Gm C F C/F B♭/F Fmaj7 Gm Gm7 Csus4 C

Christ re - store our hu - man dig - ni - ty.

Christ en-fold us, Christ re-store us, Christ our strength, our u - ni - ty.

F B♭ F Gm C Am Dm B♭ Csus4 C

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In each neigh - bor we your
 In each neigh - bor, friend or strang - er, the face of

Gm7 C Fmaj7 F6 Gm C Dm Bb F/A

im - age see. see.
 Christ we see. see.

1-4 to Verses Final Fine
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 Gm Gm7 Csus4 C 1-4 F Bb/F to Verses Final F Bb/F F Fine

VERSES

Solo: 1. Chil-dren of God, ev - 'ry wom-an and man the cre - a - tor's liv - ing
 Women: 2. Spir - it of God shin - ing, var - ied and bright, in the beau - ty of each
 Men: 3. King-dom of God break - ing in - to our time through the low - ly and the
 All: 4. Bless-ed be God, who makes ev - 'ry-thing new in the heav - ens and the

Dm G Dm G F Csus4 C

1. sign. Im - age of love, fash - ioned out of the earth, ful - ly
 2. race. O - pen our lives to your pres - ence this day, hid - den
 3. poor. Ti - ni - est seed, bear - ing trea - sure in - deed, grow a -
 4. earth. Call us once more to pro - claim the good news and to

F B♭ C Dm G Dm G

1. hu - man yet di - vine. Word of God made
 2. light in ev - 'ry face. Word of God made
 3. mong us and re - store. Word of God made
 4. bring your peace to birth. Word of God made

F G A B♭ F/A

1. flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me. *D.S.*
 2. flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me.
 3. flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me.
 4. flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me.

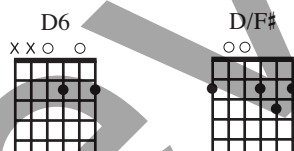
Gm7 C Fmaj7 F6 Gm F/A B♭ F/A Gm Gm7 Csus4 C *D.S.*

Performance Notes

The Ursuline Sisters of Jesus are an inspiring group of women. They work quietly alongside those whom the world would otherwise prefer to forget. For their special bicentenary liturgy they asked me to write a piece of music that would somehow encapsulate and celebrate their particular charism: Christ incarnate among his people. For some reason, the text of St. Patrick's Breastplate came to mind. And it was from there that I drew initial inspiration for the text. At the celebration we used the song for the Gathering. The assembly picked up the refrain easily after the first hearing, accompanied by huge pipe organ and brass. The occasion seemed to call for this. But at other times we've sung with guitar and penny whistle, and had just as much fun!

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Guitar Chord Charts



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(Guitar/Vocal)

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Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (Em) (A) (D) (G/D) (Dmaj7) (Em7) (D/F#) (G) (A7)
F B \flat F Gm C F B \flat /F Fmaj7 Gm7 F/A B \flat C7

(Keyboard)

REFRAIN

(D) (G) (D) (Em) (A) (D) (G/D) (Dmaj7)
F B \flat F Gm C F B \flat /F Fmaj7

Christ be - side us, Christ be - fore us, Christ our way, our

(Em) (Em7) (Asus4) (A) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (A) (F#m)
Gm Gm7 Csus4 C F B \flat F Gm C Am

fu - ture be. Christ en - fold us, Christ re - store us, Christ our

(Bm) (G) (Asus4) (A) (Em7) (A) (Dmaj7) (D6) (Em) (A) (Bm)
Dm B \flat Csus4 C Gm7 C Fmaj7 F6 Gm C Dm

strength, our u - ni - ty. In each neigh - bor, friend or strang - er,

(G) (D/F#) (Em) (Em7) (Asus4) (A)	1-4 to Verses	Final
B \flat F/A Gm Gm7 Csus4 C	(D) (G/D)	(D) (G/D) (D)
	F B \flat /F	F B \flat /F F

the face of Christ we see. see.

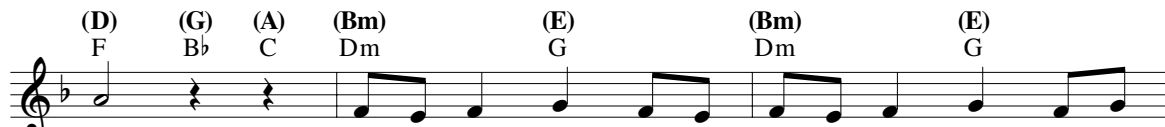
Fine

VERSES

(Bm) (E) (Bm) (E) (D) (Asus4) (A)
Dm G Dm G F Csus4 C


Solo: 1. Chil - dren of God, ev - 'ry wom - an and man the cre - a - tor's liv - ing
Women: 2. Spir - it of God shin - ing, var - ied and bright, in the beau - ty of each
Men: 3. King - dom of God break - ing in - to our time through the low - ly and the
All: 4. Bless - ed be God, who makes ev - 'ry - thing new in the heav - ens and the

(D) (G) (A) (Bm) (E) (Bm) (E)
F B \flat C Dm G Dm G



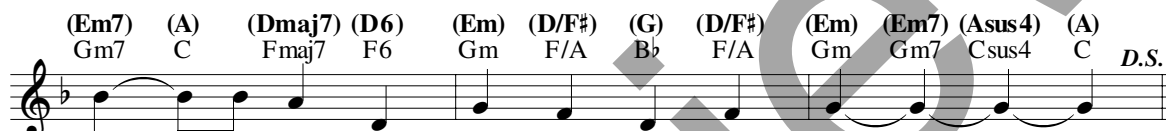
1. sign. Im - age of love, fash-ioned out of the earth, ful - ly
2. race. O - pen our lives to your pres-ence this day, hid - den
3. poor. Ti - ni - est seed, bear - ing trea - sure in - deed, grow a -
4. earth. Call us once more to pro - claim the good news and to

(D) (E) (F#) (G) (D/F#)
F G A B \flat F/A



1. hu - man yet di - vine. Word of God made
2. light in ev - 'ry face. Word of God made
3. mong us and re - store. Word of God made
4. bring your peace to birth. Word of God made

(Em7) (A) (Dmaj7) (D6) (Em) (D/F#) (G) (D/F#) (Em) (Em7) (Asus4) (A)
Gm7 C Fmaj7 F6 Gm F/A B \flat F/A Gm Gm7 Csus4 C *D.S.*



1. flesh _____ in Je - sus, make your home in me. _____
2. flesh _____ in Je - sus, make your home in me. _____
3. flesh _____ in Je - sus, make your home in me. _____
4. flesh _____ in Je - sus, make your home in me. _____

Assembly Edition

CHRIST BESIDE US

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Refrain



Verses

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chil-dren of God, ev - 'ry wom - an and man the cre - 2. Spir - it of God shin - ing, var - ied and bright, in the 3. King - dom of God break - ing in - to our time through the 4. Bless - ed be God, who makes ev - 'ry - thing new in the 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. a - tor's liv - ing sign. Im - age of love, fash - ioned 2. beau - ty of each race. O - pen our lives to your 3. low - ly and the poor. Ti - ni - est seed, bear - ing 4. heav - ens and the earth. Call us once more to pro -
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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. out of the earth, ful - ly hu - man yet di - vine. 2. pres - ence this day, hid - den light in ev - 'ry face. 3. trea - sure in - deed, grow a - mong us and re - store. 4. claim the good news and to bring your peace to birth. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Word of God made flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me. 2. Word of God made flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me. 3. Word of God made flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me. 4. Word of God made flesh in Je - sus, make your home in me.
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to Refrain

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