O Living Water

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\( \text{(} \text{=} \text{ca. 104)} \)

\[ \text{G/F} \quad \text{Bb/F} \quad \text{F} \quad \text{Bb/F} \]

Keyboard

Soprano/Melody

1. This gift from heaven, our grace and

2. This holy river, round Jesus

3. A sign so thrilling, so bold and

4. This life so precious, so free

5. This raging torrent, flows swiftly

6. So from this fountain, we are in

Alto

(5. This raging torrent flows)

(6. So from this fountain)

Tenor

Bass

\[ \text{F} \quad \text{Bb/F} \quad \text{F} \quad \text{Bb/F} \]

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O Living Water

1. healing, the wondrous mercy
2. pressing, where John the Baptist
3. daring, at Ca-na’s wedding,
4. flowing, this dew like bright est
5. o’er us, all ’round us surging,
6. verified to deeply drinking ‘til

O Living Water

F Bb/F F Am7

1. of our God revealing, into our spir its
2. gathers all, confess ing: “Be hold our Savior,”
3. sign of Ma ry’s caring, new wine ap pear ing,
4. star of heaven glowing, ra diant with in us,
5. stream ing down before us, to wash and strengthen,
6. all the earth’s united, ’til peace is last ing,

Dm G7 C7 Am7 Dm
1. _so softly stealing —_ 
2. _our hope and blessing —_ 
3. _new love declaring —_
4. _God’s promise growing —_ 
5. _heal and restore us —_ 
6. _’til wrong is righted —_

5. _en and restore us._
6. _ing, wrong is righted._

A/C#  Dsus4  Dm  G/B  Gm7

1-6. _O living water._ _O living water._

5-6. _living water._

Bbm  F  Bm/F  F  G/F
1-6. O living water.

2. This holy
3. A sign so
4. This life so
5. This raging
6. So from this

5-6. living water. 6. So from this

Final
O Living Water

(Guitar/Vocal)

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1. This gift from heaven, our grace and healing,
(2. This holy river, 'round Jesus pressing,
(3. A sign so thrilling, so bold and daring,
(4. This life so precious, so freely flowing,
(5. This raging torrent, swiftly o'er us,
(6. So from this fountain we are invigorating

1. the wondrous mercy of our God revealing,
2. where John the Baptist gathers all, confessing:
3. at Ca-na's wedding, sign of Mary's caring,
4. this dew like brightest star of heaven glowing,
5. all 'round us surging, streaming down before us,
6. to deeply drink till all the earth's united

1. into our spirits so softly stealing
2. "Be hold our Savior, our hope and blessing"
3. new wine appearing, new love declaring
4. radiant within us, God's promise growing
5. to wash and strengthen, heal and restore us
6. 'til peace is lasting, 'til wrong is righted

Tempo: ca. 104
Capo 3:

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Composer Notes

Water is the foundation of our existence. Water refreshes, cleanses and heals. Without it there is no life. Christ is referred to as Living Water, the Fountain of Life. “Whoever drinks this water will have eternal life.” This song is a call to “drink deeply” of the Risen Lord. In The Interior Castle, St. Teresa of Ávila (1515–1582) uses the imagery of watering gardens. She contrasts two fountains, the sweetness of human efforts and the springs of divine consolation. Water from the divine spring is flowing all the time from our very depths, and comes directly “from its own source, which is God... (who) produces this delight with the greatest peace and quiet and sweetness in the very interior part of ourselves.” Teresa talks of cum dilatast cor meum (Psalm 118:32, Latin Vulgate), speaking of the heart being enlarged. She says, “I don’t think that this happiness has its source in the heart at all. It arises in a much more interior part, like something of which the springs are very deep. I think this must be the center of the soul.”

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1. This gift from heav-en, our grace and heal-ing,
2. This ho-ly riv-er, 'round Je-sus press-ing,
3. A sign so thrill-ing, so bold and dar-ing,
4. This life so pre-cious, so free-ly flow-ing,
5. This rag-ing tor-rent flows swift-ly o'er us,
6. So from this foun-tain we are in-vit-ed

1. the won-drous mer-cy of our God re-veal-ing,
2. where John the Bap-tist gath - ers all, con-fess-ing;
3. at Ca-na's wed-ding, sign of Ma-ry's car-ing,
4. this dew like bright-est star of heav-en glow-ing,
5. all 'round us surg-ing, stream-ing down be -fore us,
6. to deep-ly drink 'til, all the earth's uni-ted,

1. in-to our spir -its so soft-ly steal-ing—
2. "Be - hold our Sav -ior, our hope and bless-ing—"
3. new wine ap - pear-ing, new love de - clar-ing—
4. ra - diant with - in us, God's prom - ise grow-ing—
5. to wash and strength-en, heal and re-store us—
6. 'til peace is last - ing, 'til wrong is right-ed.

1-6. O liv-ing wa - ter, O liv-ing wa - ter.

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