ASP's Guitar Chords

A Chords

A

Am

Am/G

A2

A7

Asus

A7sus

A flat

B Chords

B

Bm

B7

C Chords

C

C2

C7

C/B
The Art of Singing

Singing, like games, is a spirit injector. Songs can create a mood - thoughtful or joyous. The choice of songs should take into consideration both the content of the lyrics and the feelings created by the song. Often, a simple, brief introduction which may include the reason for selecting the song or background information about why the song was written enhances the song's meaning. These introductory words can often be taken from the words of the songs themselves. Lively songs can be used to develop enthusiasm at the beginning of the Evening Gathering. Quiet songs can calm the group before the closing prayer.

Some Tips For Song Leaders

1. **Be enthusiastic** in leading songs - there is little worse than a dull song leader.
2. **Develop momentum** by using songs which are well-known, repetitive, and easily learned. Variety can be added by using songs with clapping and motions.
3. **Have songs in mind** to keep the singing time flowing. Enthusiasm dies when the song leader can't think of a song to sing or has to search for the words.
4. **Be aware** of the needs of the group. Consider song requests or the groups' request not to sing.
5. **Write down** song requests to fit in at a later time. Don't forget promises to sing them.
6. **Rehearse tricky sections** of songs before you attempt them. Bombs are no fun!
7. **Utilize group members** who can lead songs that you don't know or feel comfortable leading.
8. **Be sensitive** to groups who aren't used to group singing. Warm them up slowly. (Group singing can be a traumatic experience to those who haven't seen ASP staffers doing the twist to the Hammer song.)
9. **End singing before the group gets tired of it. Keep them wanting more.**

Leading Singing with Guitars (and Other Instruments)

1. **TUNE** before it is time to sing. Tune instruments to themselves and each other.
2. **Use group guitars** - but rehearse together before the EG begins.
3. **Be visible** to the group. Elevate yourself above the group so you can be heard. (Stand if the group is sitting, jump up and down if they are standing...)
4. Don't be afraid to make mistakes. Make them big! Walk around while singing. **Your energy is contagious!**
5. **Transpose songs** to an easier key if you find the chords difficult to play.
You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Verse:
D/F#  G  Asus  A
I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken
D/F#  G  Asus  A
I'm accepted; You were condemned
D/F#  G  Asus  A
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
G  A  D
Because you died and rose again

Chorus:
D  G
Amazing love, how can it be
D  Asus  A
That You my king would die for me?
D  G
Amazing love, I know it's true
D  Asus
And It's my joy to honor You
G  A  D
In all I do I honor You

Ending:
D  G
You are my King (2x)
D  G
Jesus, You are my King (2x)

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Blessed Be Your Name

VERSE:
G            D       Em      C
Blessed be your name, in the land that is plentiful
G                         D
Where streams of abundance flow
C
Blessed be your name
G            D       Em      C
Blessed be your name, when I'm found in this desert place
G                         D
Though I walk through the wilderness
C
Blessed be your name (CHORUS)

CHORUS:
G            D       Em      C
Every blessing you pour out I
Em       C
Turn back to praise
G                         D
And when the darkness closes in Lord,
Em       D
Still I will say...
G            D       Em      C
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name
G            D       Em      C
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your glorious name

VERSE:
G            D       Em      C
Blessed be your name, when the sun's shining down on me
G                         D
When the world is all as it should be,
C
Blessed be your name
G            D       Em      C
Blessed be your name, on the road marked with suffering,
G                         D
Though there is pain in the offering,
C
Blessed be your name (CHORUS)

BRIDGE:
G            D       Em      C
You give and take away
Em       D
You give and take away
G            D       Em      C
My heart will choose to say
G                         C
Lord, blessed be your name

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COUNTRY ROADS

G          Em
Almost heaven, West Virginia,
D7         C          G
Blue Ridge Mountains, Shenandoah River,
          Em
Life is old there, older than the trees
D7         C          G
Younger than the mountains, blowing like a breeze.

Chorus:
G          D7     Em     C
Country roads take me home, to the place I belong;
              G          D7
West Virginia, Mountain Mama,
          C          G
Take me home, country roads.

G          Em
All my memories, gather 'round her,
D7         C          G
Miner's lady, strangers to blue water,
          Em
Dark and dusty, painted on the sky
D7         C          G
Misty taste of moonshine, tear drops in my eye. (Chorus)

Em         D7     G
I hear her voice in the morning hours, she calls me,
          C          G          D7
The radio reminds me of my home far away,
          Em         F       C
And driving down the road I get a feeling that
G          D          D7
I should have been home yesterday, yesterday. (Chorus)

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FILL MY CUP

Chorus:
G  C
Fill my cup, let it overflow
G  D
Fill my cup, let it overflow
G  C
Fill my cup, let it overflow
G  D  G
Let it overflow with love.

Verse:
G  C
Amazing grace how sweet the sound
G  D
That saved a wretch like me
G  C
I once was lost, but now am found
G  D  G
Was blind, but now I see (CHORUS)

Verse:
G  C
’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
G  D
And grace my fears relieved
G  C
How precious did that grace appear
G  D  G
The hour I first believed (CHORUS)

Verse:
G  C
When we’ve been there ten thousand years
G  D
Bright shining as the sun
G  C
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
G  D  G
Then when we first begun (CHORUS)
HAMMER SONG

G   C   D
If I had a hammer,

G   C   D
I'd hammer in the mornin',

G   C   D
I'd hammer in the evenin' all over this land.

G   C   D
I'd hammer out danger, I'd hammer out warnin',

G   C   D
I'd hammer out love,

G   C   D
between my brothers and my sisters

G   C   D
Chorus: Ah la la la la la la la la la la la la

G   C   D
Ah la la la la la la la la la la la la

If I had a bell, I'd ring...

If I had a song, I'd sing ...

G   C   D
Well I got a hammer, and I got a bell,

G   C   D
and I got a song to sing all over this land.

G   C   D
It's the hammer of justice,

G   C   D
It's the bell of freedom,

G   C   D
It's the song about love

G   C   D
between my brothers and my sisters.

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HERE I AM LORD

G          C         D         G     C         D
I the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
G          C         D
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
G          C         D
I who made the stars of night.
G          C         D
I will make their darkness bright.
G          C
Who will bear my light to them?
D
Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

Chorus:

G
Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?
C         D
I have heard You calling in the night.
G
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
D         G
I will hold your people in my heart.
I the Lord of snow and rain.
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.

Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

I the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, ‘til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Chorus)
I'LL FLY AWAY

G          C      G
Some glad morning when this life is over, I'll fly away.
D7        G
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

Chorus:

G                         G7     C        G  C
I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.

G                                                         D        G
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have grown, I'll fly away.

Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away. (Chorus)

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away.

To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away. (Chorus)

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LEAN ON ME

C          F          C
Sometimes in our lives we all have pain
          G
we all have sorrow
C          F
But, it we are wise,
   C          G          C
we know that there’s always tomorrow

CHORUS:
   C          F
Lean on me when you’re not strong
   C          G
And I’ll be your friend, I’ll help you carry on
   C          F          C
For, it won’t be long, ‘til I’m gonna need
   G          C
Somebody to lean on

   C          F
Please, swallow your pride,
   C          G
If I have things you need to borrow
   C          F          C
For, no one can fill those of your needs
   G          C
That you won’t let show.
REFRAIN:
C
Just call on me brother, when you need a hand
G   C
We all need somebody to lean on
C
I just might have a problem that you’d understand
G   C
We all need somebody to lean on.

C   F    C
If you have a load you have to bear
G
That you can’t carry,
C   F    C
I’m right up the road, I’ll share your load
G   C
If you just call me (CHORUS)

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LET IT BE

C                   G                         Am                   F
When I find myself I times of trouble Mother Mary comes to me
C                              G                    F    C
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.
C                       G                        Am               F
And in my hour of darkness she is standing right in front of me
C                              G                    F     C
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

CHORUS:

C       Am          G        F        C
Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be
G                     F    C
Whisper words of wisdom, let it be

C                   G                       Am                  F
And when the broken hearted people living in the world agree,
C                              G                    F     C
There will be an answer, let it be.
C                       G                        Am               F
For though they may be parted there is still a chance that they will see,
C                              G                    F     C
There will be an answer, let it be. (Chorus)

C                   G                       Am                  F
And when the night is cloudy there is still a light that shines on me
C                              G                    F     C
Shine until tomorrow, let it be.
C                   G                   Am                   F
I wake up to the sound of music, Mother Mary comes to me
C                              G                    F     C
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

Am         G           F             C
Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be.
G                     F    C
There will be an answer, let it be. (Chorus)

Lennon and McCartney
Light the Fire
By Bill Maxwell
Capo 2

D A G A
1. I stand to praise You, but I fall to my knees
   D A G A
   My spirit is willing, but my flesh is so weak

Chorus:
   G
   Light the fire (light the fire)
   A
   In my soul (in my weary soul)
   G
   Fan the flame (fan the flame)
   A
   And make me whole (make my spirit whole)
   G
   Lord you know (Lord you know)
   A
   Just where I’ve been (where I’ve been)
   G A D
   So light the fire in my heart again

D A
2. I feel your arms around me as the
   G A
   Power of Your healing begins
   D A
   You breathe new life right through me
   G A
   Like a mighty rushing wind (Chorus)

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LORD I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

G C D-C
Lord I lift your name on high
G C D-C
Lord I love to sing your praises
G C D-C
I’m so glad you’re in my life
G C D-C
I’m so glad you came to save us

G C D C G
You came from heaven to earth to show the way
C D C G
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay
C D
From the cross to the grave
Em C
From the grave to the sky
D G
Lord I lift your name on high

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Open the Eyes of My Heart

Verse:
G
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
D
Open the eyes of my heart
C
I want to see you
G
I want to see you (Repeat)

Chorus:
D \hspace{5mm} Em
To see You high and lifted up
C \hspace{5mm} D
Shining in the light of Your glory
Em
Pour out Your spirit and love
C \hspace{5mm} D
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Bridge:
G
Holy, Holy, Holy
D
Holy, Holy, Holy
C
Holy, Holy, Holy
G
I Want to See You

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**Prince of Peace**

D
You are holy (you are holy)
   G
You are mighty (you are mighty)
   Em
You are worthy (you are worthy)
   A
Worthy of praise (worthy of praise)
   D
I will follow (I will follow)
   G
I will listen (I will listen)
   Em
I will love you (I will love you)
   A
All of my days (all of my days)

(W and M sung simultaneously)
   G                        A                        D
W:   You are Lord of Lords, you are King of Kings, You are mighty
    Bm
    God, Lord of everything
M:   I will sing to and worship the Lord who is worthy

W:   You’re Emmanuel, You’re the great I Am, You’re the Prince of Peace,
    who is the Lamb
M:   I will love Him, adore Him, I will bow down before Him

W:   You’re my living God, You’re my saving grace, You will reign forever,
    You are ancient of days
M:   I will sing to and worship the Lord who is worthy

W:   You are Alpha, Omega, beginning and end, You’re my savior, messiah,
    redeemer and friend
M:   I will love Him, adore Him, I will bow down before Him

   G                        A                        D
ALL: You’re my Prince of Peace and I will live my life for You
Rocky Top

D          G          D          Bm          A7          D
Wish that I was on ol’ Rocky Top, Down in the Tennessee hills
G            D            Bm            A7            D
Ain’t no smoggy smoke on Rocky Top, ain’t no telephone bills
G            D            Bm            A7            D
Once I had a girl on Rocky Top - half bear the other half cat
G                  D          Bm          A7          D
Wild as a mink but sweet as a soda pop – I still dream about that
(CHORUS)

CHORUS:
Bm      A          C          G
Rocky Top you’ll always be home sweet home to me
D          C          D          C          D
Good ol’ Rocky Top, Rocky Top Tennessee, Rocky Top Tennessee

D          G          D          Bm          A7          D
Once two strangers climbed ol’ Rocky Top lookin’ for a moonshine still
G            D            Bm            A7            D
Strangers ain’t come down from Rocky Top, reckon they never will
G            D            Bm            A7            D
Corn don’t grow at all on Rocky Top, dirt’s too rocky by far
G            D            Bm            A7            D
That’s why all the folks on Rocky Top get their corn from a jar
(CHORUS)

D          G          D          Bm          A7          D
I’ve had years of cramped-up city life, trapped like a duck in a pen
G            D            Bm            A7            D
All I know is it’s a pity life can’t be simple again
(CHORUS)

By Boudleaux and Felice Bryant
SANCTUARY

D       A
Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary

G       D   A
Pure and holy, tried and true

D       A
With thanksgiving, I want to be a living

G   A    D
Sanctuary for You

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SANCTUARY

Chorus:
D                      A
Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary
G                    D  A
Pure and holy, tried and true
D                     A
With thanksgiving, I want to be a living
G                A    D
Sanctuary for You

Verses:
D                      A
It is you, Lord who came to save
G                    D  A
The heart and soul of every man.
D                      A
It is you, Lord, who knows my weakness,
G                D    A
Who gives me strength, with thine own hand. (Chorus)

D                      A
Lead me on, Lord, from temptation
G                    D  A
Purify me from within
D                      A
Fill my heart with your Holy Spirit,
G                D    A
Take away all my sin. (Chorus)
SWIMMING TO THE OTHER SIDE

C C/B
We all live ‘neath the great big dipper
    Am C
We are washed by the very same rain
    F C
We are swimming in the stream together
    G
Some in power and some in pain
    C C/B
We can worship this ground we walk on
    Am C
Cherishing the beings that we live beside
    F C
We are swimming in the stream together
    G C
We’re all swimming to the other side

C C/B
I am alone and I am searching
    Am C
Hungering for answers in my time
    F C
I am balanced at the brink of wisdom
    G
I am impatient to receive a sign
    C C/B
I move forward with my senses open
    Am C
Imperfection will be my crime
    F C
In humility I will listen
    G C
We’re all swimming to the other side
C        C/B
On this journey through thoughts and feelings
   Am                C
Finding intuition, my head, my heart
     F               C
I am gathering the tools together
          G
I am preparing to do my part
     C        C/B
All of those who’ve gone before me
   Am                C
Band together and be my guides
     F               C
Loving lessons that I will follow
          G        C
We’re all swimming to the other side.

C        C/B
When we get there we’ll discover
   Am                C
All the gifts we’ve been given to share
     F               C
Have been with us since life’s beginnings
          G
But we never noticed they were there
     C        C/B
We can worship this ground we walk on
   Am                C
Cherishing the beings that we live beside
     F               C
We are swimming in the stream together
          G        C
We’re all swimming to the other side.
The Spirit of the Lord
Jim Strathdee

G   Em   C   D
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me

G   Em   C   D
Because God has anointed me

G   Em   C   D
To preach good news to the poor.

G   Em   C   D
God has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

G   Em   C   D
And recovery of sight to the blind.

G   Em   C   D
To set at liberty those who are oppressed.

G   Em   C   G
To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.
Wagon Wheel
Old Crow Medicine Show

G D
Headed down south to the land of the pines
Em C
And I'm thumbin' my way into North Caroline
G
Starin' up the road
   D C
And pray to God I see headlights

G D
I made it down the coast in seventeen hours
Em C
Pickin' me a bouquet of dogwood flowers
   G
And I'm a hopin' for Raleigh
   D C
I can see my baby tonight

(Chorus)

G D
So rock me mama like a wagon wheel
Em C
Rock me mama anyway you feel
G D C
Hey, mama rock me
G D
Rock me mama like the wind and the rain
Em C
Rock me mama like a south-bound train
G D C
Hey, mama rock me
G    D
Runnin' from the cold up in New England
   Em         C
I was born to be a fiddler in an old-time stringband
   G
My baby plays the guitar
D    C
I pick a banjo now

   G    D
Oh, the North country winters keep a gettin' me now
   Em         C
Lost my money playin' poker so I had to up and leave
   G
But I ain't a turnin' back
   D         C
To livin' that old life no more   (Chorus)

G    D
Walkin' to the south out of Roanoke
   Em
I caught a trucker out of Philly
     C
Had an ice cold Coke
    G    D
But he's a headed west from the Cumberland Gap
     C
To Johnson City, Tennessee

   G    D
And I gotta get a move on fit for the sun
     Em
I hear my baby callin' my name
     C
And I know that she's the only one
   G
And if I die in Raleigh
   D   C
At least I will die free       (Chorus)
WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN?

C   C7   F   C
I was standing by my window, on a cold and cloudy day.

G7   C
When I saw that hearse come rolling, for to carry my mother away.  CHORUS

CHORUS:

C   C7
Will the circle be unbroken,

F   C
By and by, Lord, by and by.

C
There's a better home awaiting

G7   C
In the sky, Lord, in the sky.

C   C7   F   C
Lord, I told that undertaker, “Undertaker, please drive slow.

G7   C
For the body you are hauling, Lord I hate to see her go.”  CHORUS

C   C7   F   C
Lord, I followed close behind her, tried to hold up and be brave.

G7   C
But I could not hide my sorrow, when they laid her in the grave.  CHORUS

C   C7   F   C
Went back home, Lord, my home was lonesome, since my mother she was gone.

G7   C
All my brothers, sister cryin’, what a home so sad and lone  CHORUS

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YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL

G   D   Em
You are my strength when I am weak
G   C
You are the treasure that I seek
G   D   G   D
You are my all in all
G   D   Em
Seeking you as a precious jewel
G   C
Lord, to give you up I’d be a fool
G   D   G   D
You are my all in all

CHORUS

G   D   Em   G   C   G   D   G   D
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name
G   D   Em   G   C   G   D   G   D
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name

G   D   Em
Taking my sin, my cross my shame
G   C
Rising again, I bless your name
G   D   G   D
You are my all in all
G   D   Em
When I fall down you pick me up
G   C
When I am dry you fill my cup
G   D   G   D
You are my all in all.

CHORUS

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