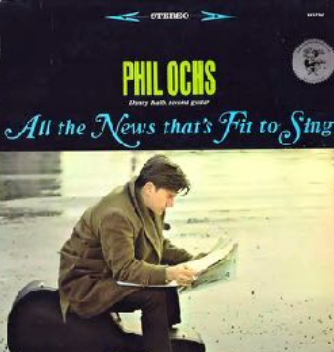
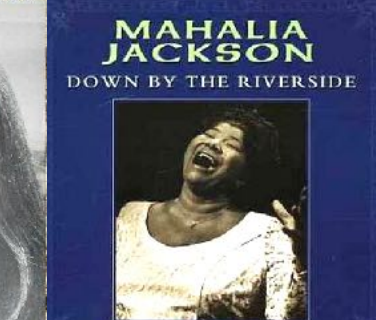
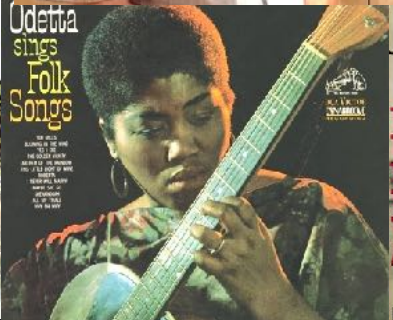
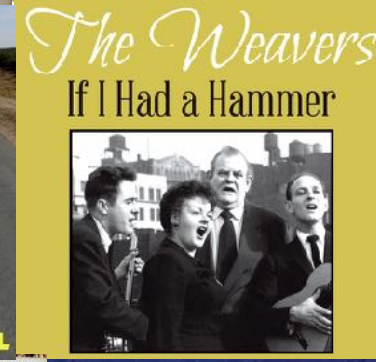
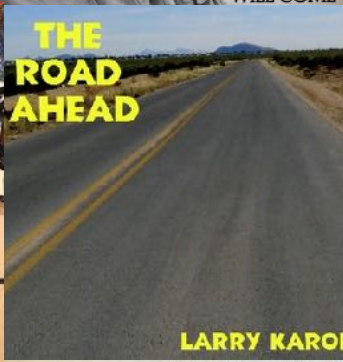
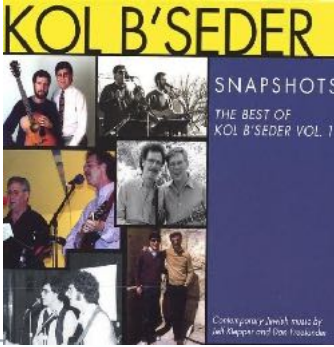
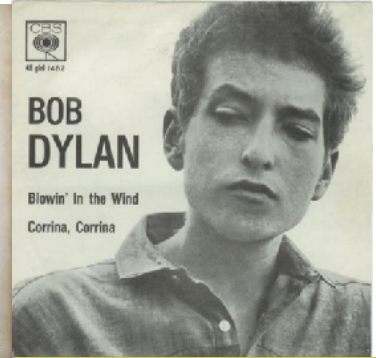
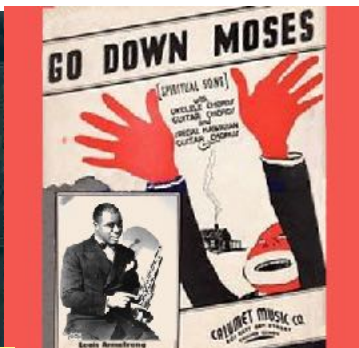
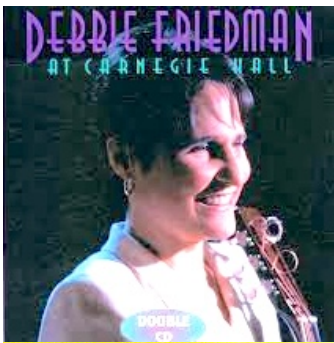


Classic Songs of Freedom and Peace-Rabbi Larry Karol-April 4, 2024-The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah



עַבְדִּים הָיִינוּ - עַתָּה, בְּנֵי חוֹרֵין Avadim hayinu, Atah b'nei chorin

All of us remember, we were slaves - but now, right now, we're free, we all are free

We were slaves, we were slaves but now, right now, we all are free

We were slaves, we were slaves, but now, right now, we all are free, we all are free.

**Go Down Moses (Let My People Go)-Traditional/Spiritual - perhaps 1800s**

**Attributed to Florence Price - 1936**

When Israel was in Egypt's Land, let my people go,

Oppressed so hard they could not stand, let my people go.

***Chorus-Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's Land. Tell ol' Pharaoh, let my people go.***

God told Moses what to do, Let my people go,

To lead the Hebrew children through, Let my people go. ***Chorus***

We need not always weep and mourn, Let my people go,

And wear these slavery chains forlorn, Let my people go. ***Chorus***

O let us all from bondage flee, Let my people go,

And soon may all the world be free, Let my people go. ***Chorus***

**Come and Go (with me) to That Land - Gospel/Traditional - 1930**

Come and go to that land (3x) where I'm bound

We'll be free in that land (3x) where I'm bound

There is peace in that land (3x) where I'm bound

Come and go to that land (3x) where I'm bound

**This Little Light of Mine (?Spiritual? - 1933/1934)**

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine (3x) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Everywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine (3x) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

All around the world, I'm going to let it shine (3x) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

**Woke Up This Morning (with my mind stayed on Freedom) - 1961 (Older Gospel song)**

Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom (3x) Hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah

I'm walking and talking with my mind stayed on freedom (3x) Hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah

There ain't no harm to keep your mind stayed on freedom (3x) Hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah

**Down by the Riverside (Spiritual 1800s - published in 1918)**

I'm gonna lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside

Down by the riverside, down by the riverside

I'm gonna lay down my sword and shield, down by the riverside

Ain't gonna study war no more

***I ain't gonna study war no more, I ain't gonna study war no more,***

***I ain't gonna study war no more***

לֹא-יִשָּׂא גּוֹי אֶל-גּוֹי תָּרֵב וְלֹא-יִלְמְדוּ עוֹד מִלְחָמָה:

Lo Yisa Goy el goy cherev, lo yil'm'du od milchamah, lo yisa goy el goy cherev



**MAN COME INTO EGYPT (ca early 1950s)**

**Fred Hellerman/Fran Minkoff- Applesseed Music Corp. ASCAP**

There is a man come into Egypt, and Moses is his name  
When he saw the grief upon us, in his heart there burned a flame.  
In his heart there burned a flame Oh God, in his heart there burned a flame,  
When he saw the grief upon us, in his heart there burned a flame.

There is a man come into Egypt, his eyes are full of light  
Like the sun come up in Egypt, come to drive away the night  
Come to drive away the night, Oh God, come to drive away the night.  
Like the sun come up in Egypt, come to drive away the night.

There is a man come into Egypt, he's come for you and me.  
On his lips a word is singing, and the word is Liberty.  
And the word is Liberty, Oh, God; And the word is Liberty.  
On his lips a word is singing, and the word is Liberty.

There is a man come into Egypt to stir the souls of women and men  
We will follow him to freedom, never wear those chains again  
Never wear those chains again, Oh God, never wear those chains again.  
We will follow him to freedom, never wear those chains again!

**If I Had a Hammer (The Hammer Song) - Pete Seeger/Lee Hays - 1949**

If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning,  
I'd hammer in the evening, all over this land  
I'd hammer out danger, I'd hammer out a warning  
I'd hammer out love between my brothers and my sisters all over this land.

If I had a bell, I'd ring it in the morning, I'd ring it in the evening, all over this land  
I'd ring out danger, I'd ring out a warning,  
I'd ring out love between my brothers and my sisters all over this land.

If I had a song, I'd sing it in the morning,  
I'd sing it in the evening, all over this land  
I'd sing out danger, I'd sing out a warning,  
I'd sing out love between my brothers and my sisters all over this land.

Well I've got a hammer, and I've got a bell,  
and I've got a song to sing, all over this land.  
It's the hammer of justice, it's the bell of freedom,  
it's the song about love between my brothers and my sisters all over this land.  
It's the hammer of justice, it's the bell of freedom, it's the song about  
love between my brothers and my sisters, all over this land

**BLOWIN' IN THE WIND - Bob Dylan- Special Rider Music - SESAC (1962)**

How many roads must a man walk down before you call him a man?  
How many seas must a white dove sail before she sleeps in the sand?  
How many times must the cannonballs fly before they're forever banned?  
The answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind - The answer is blowin' in the wind.

How many years can a mountain exist before it is washed to the sea?  
How many years can some people exist before they're allowed to be free?  
How many times can a man turn his head and pretend that he just doesn't see?  
The answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind - The answer is blowin' in the wind.

How many times must a man look up before he can see the sky?  
How many ears must one man have before he can hear people cry?  
How many deaths will it take till he knows that too many people have died?  
The answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind - The answer is blowin' in the wind.

**What's That I Hear (Phil Ochs) - Released in 1964 on "All the News That's Fit to Sing"**

What's that I hear now, ringing in my ears? I've heard that sound before

What's that I hear now, ringing in my ears? I hear it more and more

*It's the sound of freedom calling - ringing up to the sky*

*It's the sound of the old ways a-falling*

*You can hear it if you try - You can hear it if you try*

What's that I see now, shining in my eyes? I've seen that light before

What's that I see now, shining in my eyes? I see it more and more

*It's the light of freedom calling - Shining up to the skies*

*It's the light of the old ways a-falling*

*You can see it if you try - You can see it if you try*

What's that I feel now, beating in my heart? I've felt that beat before

What's that I feel now, beating in my heart? I feel it more and more

*It's the rumble of freedom calling - Climbing up to the sky*

*It's the rumble of the old ways a-falling*

*You can feel it if you try - You can feel it if you try*

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**Peace will come (Tom Paxton) - 1972**

Peace, peace will, peace will come, and let it begin with me

We, we need, we need peace, and let it begin with me

Oh, my own life is all I can hope to control

Oh, let my life be lived for the good, good of my soul

Let it bring peace, sweet peace, peace will come, and let it begin with me

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**Justice, Justice (Doug Cotler/Lanny Cotler/Steve Cotler/Jeff Marx)**

We know what it's like to be without a home  
We know what it's like to wander years alone  
And I must break the chains that bind the slave and make oppression disappear  
And I must help the stranger find a bed, and I will share my bread -

CHORUS:

***Justice, justice, I will pursue you - I will never cease - to do what's right  
The more there's justice, the more there will be peace***

In the beggar's eye, sparks of heaven shine  
In the captive's cry, the voice of the divine  
And I must break the chains that bind the slave and make oppression disappear  
And I must help the stranger find a bed, and I will share my bread - CHORUS

Everyone must work to move a single stone  
Mountains cruel and cold can't be crossed alone  
So we must break the chains that bind the slave and make oppression disappear  
And I must help the stranger find a bed, and I will share my bread - CHORUS (2 times)

**Circle Chant (Linda Hirschhorn)**

Circle 'round for freedom, circle 'round for peace  
For all of us imprisoned, circle for release  
Circle for the planet - Circle for each soul  
For the children of our children - Keep the circle whole.

**OPEN THE GATES (PITCHU LI)**

**Music by Joe Black; Lyrics by Joe Black based on Psalm 118:19, 22**

Open the gates of justice Open the gates for me  
Open the gates of righteousness Pitchu li.  
Open the gates of freedom - (Tell me) what are we waiting for?

פְּתַחוּ-לִי שַׁעְרֵי-צְדָק אֲבֹתֵינוּ אֲנִי אֹמֵר יְהוָה:

**Pitchu li sha-arei tzedek, avo vam odeh Yah. (2x)**

(Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to God)

Lock up the gates of hatred - Throw away the key -Open the gates of justice Pitchu li  
Open the gates of tomorrow - Yes, we've traveled oh so far  
**Pitchu li sha-arei tzedek, avo vam odeh Yah. (2x)**

אֲנִי מֵאֲסוּ הַבּוֹנִים הָיְתָה לְרֹאשׁ פְּנֵה:

Even ma-asu habonim, ha-y'tah l'rosh pinah. (2x)

We're all in this together, oh we've got to keep on going.

'Til the stone that the builders rejected becomes the chief cornerstone. (2x)

**Hold Fast to Dreams**

**Words: Yehoash (Solomon Bloomgarden), Langston Hughes:**

**Music: Cantor Jeff Klepper - ca. 1985**

I am the bridge, over my neck the people pass from shore to shore

To the happy days in store, to the happy days in store

I am the bridge endlessly the people pass over me

To the land of joy and might, and day and night, night and day

God....This is my prayer, this is my prayer

Give me strength their weight to bear, give me strength their weight to bear

***Hold fast to dreams for if dreams die, life is a broken winged bird that cannot fly***

***Hold fast to dreams for if dreams go, life is a barren field frozen with snow***

***Hold fast to dreams***

**Save a Life (Debbie Friedman) - 1998**

Broken hearts - Shattered visions pieced together one by one

Hurt another and the world's destroyed, but ***save a life and you will save the world***

No more darkness, no more hiding - No more crying, no more lies

Looking for the way back home again - ***Save a life and you will save the world***

Darkness fades, the morning light appears;

Shadows dance and come to greet the day

The voices of angels sing, words of comfort whispering

***Save a life and you will save the world***

In the garden, voices singing - wipe your eyes now, no more fears

Take my hand, we'll build the world together -***Save a life and you will save the world***

Morning comes, a new day has begun - See the light and come to greet the day

The voices of angels sing, words of comfort whispering

***Save a life and you will save the world***

In the garden, voices singing - wipe your eyes now, no more fears

Take my hand, we'll build the world together -***Save a life and you will save the world***

**I'm on My Way to the Freedom Land (Gospel - call and response)**

I'm on my way to the freedom land (3x) I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

I asked my brother to come with me; I asked my sister to come with me

I asked my friends to come with me - I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

If they say no, I'll go alone (3x) I'm on my way, great God, I'm on my way.

I'm on my way, and I won't turn back (3x)

I'm on my way, great God, I'm on way.

**Kol Ha-umim (L. Karol - based on Psalm 117) -2004**

In this home we love, with the earth all around us, we sing a song of liberty  
Let truth and justice cross all borders - We are sisters and brothers, born to be free  
From every corner, we ask God's blessing, stand by us and guide our way  
We are Your children, a single people, unite us all over the world each day!  
**Hallelu et adonai hallelu – Kol ha-umim, Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluyah**

הִלְלוּ אֶת-יְיָ הִלְלוּ כָּל-הָאֲמִיּוֹת הִלְלוּ הִלְלוּ הִלְלוּ:

With caring hearts, with smiling faces, be neighbors, not strangers, who strive to be kind  
As we seek out peace by working together, the trust we are building will open our minds

From every corner, we ask God's blessing, stand by us and guide our way  
We are Your children, a single people, unite us all over the world each day!

**Hallelu et adonai hallelu – Kol ha-umim, Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluyah**

כִּי גָבַר עָלֵינוּ | חֶסֶדוֹ וְאֱמֶתוֹ - יְיָ לְעוֹלָם הִלְלוּ:

*Ki gavar aleinu chasdo - Ve-emet Adonai l'olam - Halleluyah, Halleluyah*

**Hallelu et adonai hallelu – Kol ha-umim, Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluyah, Halleluyah, Halleluyah**

Psalm 117: “For your great is Your kindness towards us, everlasting is Your faithfulness, praise God, all you peoples!”

**May We Gain Wisdom/Bayom Hahu (2012)**

**Text from Mishkan T'filah Prayerbook of the Central Conference of American Rabbis; originally from**

**On Wings of Awe, by Rabbi Richard Levy; Music by Larry Karol**

May we gain wisdom in our lives overflowing like a river with understanding

Loved, each of us, for the peace we bring to others

May our deeds exceed our speech and may we never lift up our hand  
but to conquer fear and doubt and despair

CHORUS; **V'ne-emar v'hayah adonai l'melech al kol ha-aretz**

**Bayom hahu yihyeh adonai echad ush'mo echad**

וְנֵאמַר, וְהָיָה יְיָ לְמֶלֶךְ עַל כָּל הָאָרֶץ, בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא יְהִיָּה יְיָ אֶחָד, וַיִּשְׁמוּ אֶחָד:

*(Thus it has been said, the Eternal One will be Sovereign over all the earth  
On that day, the Eternal will be One, and God's name will be one).*

Rise up like the sun, O God, over all humanity

Cause light to go forth over all the lands between the seas

And light up the universe with the joy of wholeness, of freedom, and of peace. CHORUS (2x)

**We Shall Overcome (from Charles Albert Tindley's "I'll Overcome Someday" ca. 1901)**

**(Copyright 1960 arrangement - Pete Seeger, Zilphia Horton, Guy Carawan, Frank Hamilton)**

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome some day

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe - we shall overcome some day

We shall all be free, we shall all be free, we shall all be free some day

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe - we shall overcome some day

We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace some day

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe we shall overcome some day

**Turn, Turn, Turn (Pete Seeger - From Ecclesiastes 3)- 1959**

*To everything, turn, turn, turn,  
there is a season, turn, turn, turn,  
and a time to every purpose under heaven.*

A time to be born, a time to die; a time to plant, a time to reap.

A time to kill, a time to heal; a time to laugh, a time to weep.

*To everything...*

A time to build up, a time to break down; a time to dance, a time to mourn;

A time to cast away stones, a time to gather stones together.

*To everything...*

A time of love, a time of hate; a time of war, a time of peace.

A time you may embrace; a time to refrain from embracing.

*To everything...*

A time to gain, a time to lose; a time to rend, a time to sow.

A time of love, a time of hate; a time of peace, I swear it's not too late.

*To everything...*

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- Fred Hellerman (1927-2016 - born in Brooklyn, NY - The Weavers)
- Fran Minkoff (1915-2002 - lyricist - created English lyrics for Israeli “Lo Yisa Goi”)
- Lee Hays (1914-1981 - born in Little Rock, AR - The Weavers)
- Pete Seeger (1919-2014 - born in New York, NY - The Weavers/Solo career and much more)
- Bob Dylan/Robert Zimmerman (Born 1941 - Duluth, MN - Folk and then many musical genres!)
- Phil Ochs (1940-1976 - Born in El Paso, TX, raised in NYC - Folk and protest songs)
- Tom Paxton (Born 1937 in Chicago and raised in Oklahoma - folk singer and, later, children’s music)
- Doug Cotler (Born 1949 - won a grammy in 1984 for “Manhunt” in “Flashdance” - then turned to Jewish music)
- Linda Hirschhorn (Jewish songwriter; raised in NYC; focuses on rounds and harmony)
- Joe Black (Rabbi at Temple Emanuel Denver - folksinger, Jewish songwriter, author)
- Jeff Klepper (Cantor - Raised in NYC - Jewish songwriter - in Kol B’Seder with Rabbi Dan Frelander)
- Debbie Friedman (1951-2011 - Born in Utica, NY and raised in St. Paul, MN - Jewish songwriter/songleader - Reform Cantorial School named for her)
- Zilphia Horton (1910-1956 - From Tennessee - Musician/Activist - adapted songs for Civil Rights Movement)
- Guy Carawan (1927-2015 - born in New Market, TN - Folksinger and activist)
- Frank Hamilton (Born 1934 - In The Weavers in early 1960s - co-founded Chicago Old Town School of Folk Music)