Singing Resistance Songbook

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Songs from Minnesota...

***Hold On* by Heidi Wilson**

Hold on (2x)
My dear one, here comes the dawn

***We Walk the Same Ground* by Annie Schlaefer**

We walk the same ground
But we've been torn apart
Put down your weapons
Come sing your part

***We Are Here* by Sarina Partridge**

We are here (echo)
With our voices* (echo)
Our love for each other
Will carry us through (2x)

*city, neighbors, courage, grief, families, children, hope, demands

***It's Ok to Change Your Mind* by Annie Schlaefer**

Ooh it's ok to change your mind
Show us your courage, leave this behind.
Ooh it's ok to change your mind.
And you can join us, join us here any time

***We Keep Us Safe* by Lu Aya and the Peace Poets**

Who keeps us safe?
We keep us safe (2x)
Our love for our people will conquer hate.

No One is Getting Left Behind

No one is getting left behind this time
No one is getting left behind
No one is getting left behind this time
We get there together or never get there at all (3x)

We Shall Be Known **by Karisha Longaker**

We shall be known by the company we keep
By the ones who circle round to tend these fires

We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap
The seeds of changes alive from deep within the earth

It is time now.
It is time now that we thrive.
It is time we lead ourselves into the well.
It is time now.
And what a time to be alive
In this great turning we shall learn to lead in love.
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Amazing Grace **by John Newton**

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

We Shall Overcome **by Pete Seeger**

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'll walk hand in hand,

We shall live in peace,

We shall live in peace,

We are not afraid,

We shall all be free,

This Little Light of Mine **African American spiritual**

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine
Everywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine

Everywhere I go, I
'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All around the world, I
'm gonna let it shine
All around the world,
I'm gonna let it shine
All around the world, I
'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

O God of Love, This is a Time of Turning
by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
(to the tune of *Finlandia*)

O God of love, this is a time of turning—
A time of change, with conflict in the news.
For in our land, some mighty winds are churning;
There's much at stake, that we could gain or lose.
Loves sings out strong, yet fires of hate are burning;
O God of all, you call us all to choose.

O God of peace, we hear your gracious promise:
Your love can heal the hearts of humankind.
May we stand firm for truth and peace and justice;
May we leave fear and hatred far behind.
May we sing out, and—singing—be a witness,
And show resolve to work for what is kind.

O God of all, of immigrant and neighbor,
Of those in power--and of the refugee,
You give us all our common life and labor—
Our common hope, the peace we long to see.
God, may we turn and be made strong together.
May we seek justice, love and unity.

We Are a Gentle Angry People **by Holly Near**

We are a gentle, angry people,
and we are singing, singing for our lives.
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We are a justice-seeking people...

We are young and old together...

We are a land of many colors...

We are gay and straight together....

We are a gentle, loving people...

Ain't gonna let nobody turn me 'round **African American spiritual and Freedom Song**

Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around
Turn me around, turn me around
Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin', keep on a-talkin'
Marchin' down to freedom land

If I Had A Hammer **by Pete Seeger and Lee Hays**

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 the love between my brothers and my sister
All over this land.

If I had a bell...

If I had a song...

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