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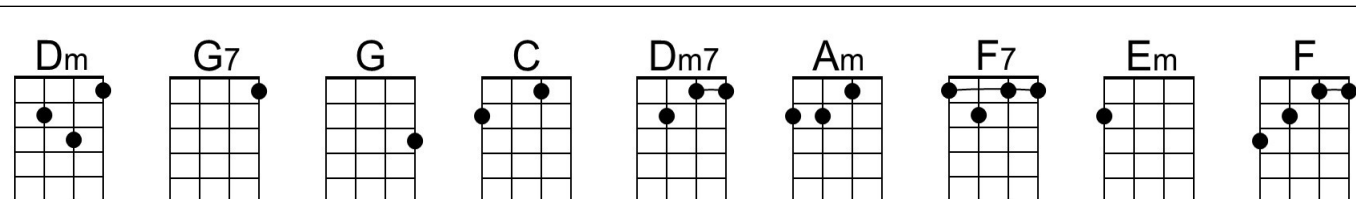
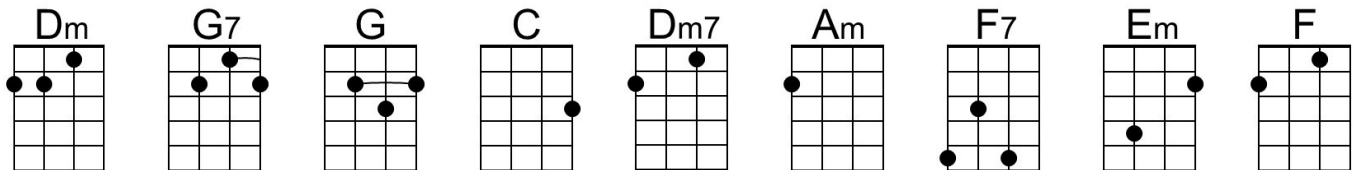
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"Joseph dearest, Joseph mine,  
C F C  
Help me cradle the child di-vine;  
Dm G7 Dm G  
God re-ward thee and all that's thine  
C Dm7 G C | C  
In paradise." So prays the mother Mary.

## Chorus

G Am F7  
He came a-mong us at Christmas-tide,  
Am F7 Dm7 G  
At Christmas-tide, in Bethle-hem;  
C G C  
Men shall bring Him from far and wide  
G C G C Em Am  
Love's dia-dem: Je - sus, Je - sus,  
F C F G7  
Lo, He comes, and loves, and saves,  
C | C  
and frees us!

C F C  
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Dm G7 Dm G  
Promised Mary by Gabri - el,  
C Dm7 G C | C  
Ah, who can tell Thy praises, Son of Mary. **Chorus**

C F C  
All shall come and bow the knee,  
C F C  
Wise and happy their souls shall be.  
Dm G7 Dm G  
Loving such a di - vini - ty  
C Dm7 G C | C  
As all may see in Jesus, Son of Mary. **Chorus**

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Sweet and lovely little one,  
C F C  
Thou princely, beautiful, God's own Son,  
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