## Track 1: Child of God

Lyrics, Music and Orchestration by Deborah Offenhauser

Filled with questions, this solo asks you straight out: "What are you seeing here? What are you hearing?" God is right here with you, and your Shepherd is showing you the way to go on this journey called life. Don't just hope, but rather, KNOW that you are the loved and perfect Child of God!

Child of God, where are you going? your Shepherd is showing You the way to go, and how to know, That you're the Child of God.

Child of God, what are you seeing? Child of God, you'll see that you're being only one with God. You can't be flawed – You are the Child of God.

And now, right here, your God is near, Your ever Father-Mother loves you so! And now, don't fear. Your perfectness appears Right now, right here, No need for any fear.

> Child of God, what are you hearing? Child of God, have you been fearing That it's all too real, and do you feel That you're *not* the Child of God?

But now, right here, your God is near, Your ever Father-Mother loves you so! And now, don't fear. Your perfectness appears Right now, right here, No need for any tear.

Child of God, what are you knowing? Child of God know that you're growing More and more in Love, and that's because

You are the Child of God!



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### Track 2:

## He's Got the Whole World

Afro-American Spiritual

orchestrated and arranged by Deborah Offenhauser

What better comfort in these troubled times than to know that God indeed has the whole world in His hands?

With soaring vocal and lush orchestration, this solo brings uplift and healing to any situation.

He's got the whole world in His hands,

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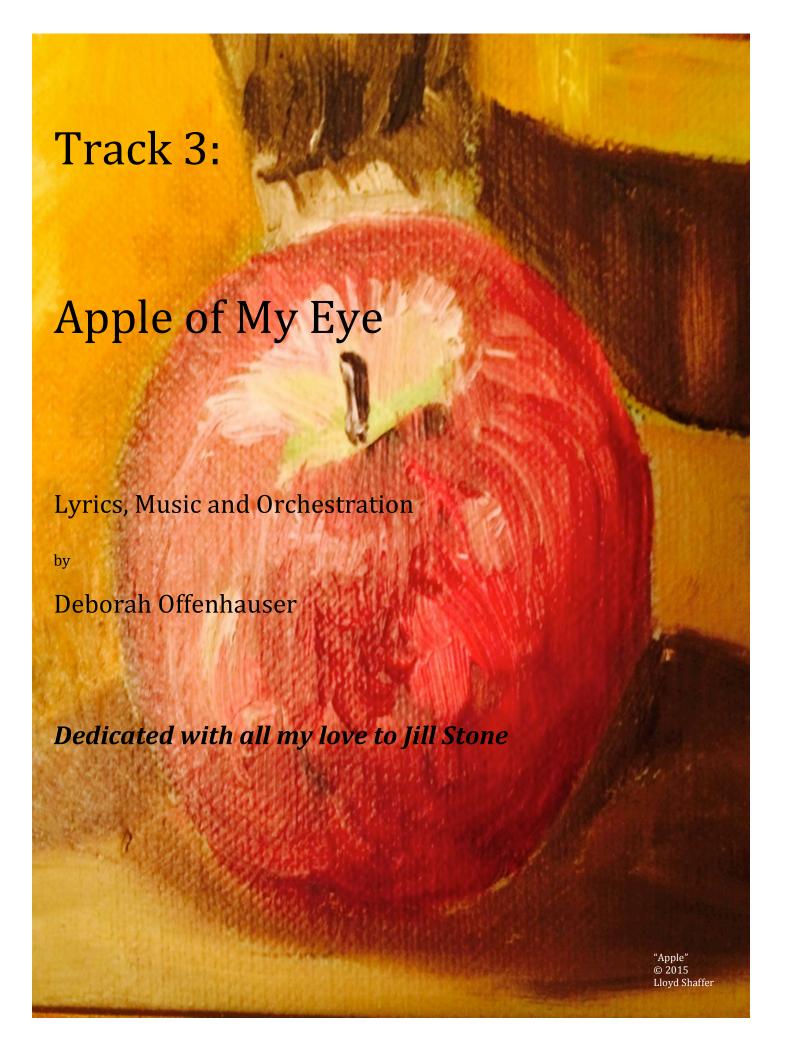
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He's got the woods & the waters right in His hands, He's got the beasts of the field right in His hands, He's got the sun and the moon right in His hands, He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got the little bitty babies right in His hands, He's got the little bitty children right in His hands, He's got everybody here right in His hands, He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got you and me right in His hands, He's got you and me right in His hands, He's got everybody right in His hands, He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got the whole world in His hands.



And God saw
that His handiwork
was good!
And the angels agreed!
And when God looked at the
ones called man,
He so loved them. He just loved them!
And His love began to pour out in a song!

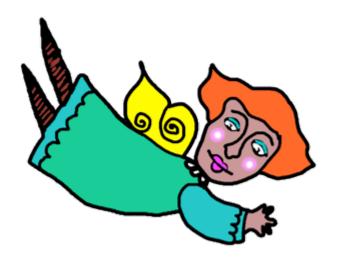
"You're the one I've waited for, You're the one I love.
You're the one that I adore.
I've sent you from above.

You're the apple of My eye. You're My heart's desire. You reflect the Love I AM That lifts you and inspires.

You are My child, My blessed one, So perfect in My sight. I've given you the gift of Life, And that includes My might!

(lyrics continued on next page)

You are My child, My blessed one, You cannot fail to please. You have the freedom to be free From sin, sickness, disease!" And man was awed by what he heard, And felt, and saw that day. He knew the welling up inside Would express itself in praise! "Oh Father, praise Thy Name! You are Life, Truth and Love, You are Mind, Soul, Principle, The Spirit that's above. I am yours and You are mine To worship and adore. I am here to reflect You, to Live and love and more! I'm the apple of Your eye!"



## Track 4:

## Chariots of Fire

Artwork Courtesy Shelley Szczucki

Lyrics, Music and Orchestration

by

### Deborah Offenhauser

Patriarchs Moses and Elijah are the foundations of modern religion, and Christ Jesus was the founder of Christianity.

All are important for their stalwart faith, miracles and healings.

With a nod to gospel music, "Chariots of Fire" reminds us to appreciate these men, and then go out and "do likewise"!

#### Verse 1

And Moses led the Children out unto the Promised Land. They cried out for more bread and meat than Moses found on hand.

To feed and water all of them seemed a very heavy task, But when Moses turned to God in prayer, he only had to ask, 'cause

#### **CHORUS**

He saw a legion of angels, standing by his side, A chorus singing praises, Allelujah, way up high! Those chariots of fire, driving Justice through the sky, And the two-edged sword of David, with the Lord right by his side!

#### Verse 2

Elijah was at one with God and did many wondrous things. He raised a child from the dead and saved the lives of kings.

His doubts and fears were overcome as he drew close to God, And his vision was uplifted and his heart was filled with awe, 'cause

#### **CHORUS**

### Verse 3

Our Lord and Master did it all: the sinner he redeemed.

The sick were healed, the poor were fed - He woke all from their dream!

The kingdom of heaven is just within he told the people true. With confidence he blessed us all, and saved both me and you.

### **CHORUS**



This song envelops its listener with the love that only His presence can provide. The poem that inspired the music was written by one who daily ministers to the world. The music serves to uplift thought with the comforting idea that His arms are all around us.

### Notes from Barbara:

When a good friend would say to me that God is to her an "arms around me Presence", I would think, "lucky girl." Then one day, I felt it too. It was tangible, comforting and poetry.

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Safe within Your warm embrace Sheltered by Your gentle grace

Arms around me Presence Keeps me worry free.

Now and for eternity I can trust my life to Thee. Arms around me Presence Pure tranquility.

Arms around me Presence Arms around me Presence Father-Mother God I see Evermore at one with me.

Tenderly You keep me whole Life and Truth and Love and Soul.

Arms around me Presence Heaven here with me.

Arms around me Presence Arms around me Presence Father-Mother God I see Evermore at one with me.

Never do I feel alone. I journey on, but I'm still at home. Every moment, every place Remaining in God's sweet embrace.

In Spirit there's no time or space,
Just Life divine and seamless peace.
Arms around me Presence Keeps me worry free.

Arms around me Presence Arms around me Presence Father-Mother God I see Evermore at one with me.

Arms around me Presence, Heaven here with me.

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## Track 6:

## Shepherds and Kings

Music and Orchestration

by

Deborah Offenhauser

Lyrics

by

Barbara Beth Whitewater

Shepherds and Kings is a holiday hymn celebrating the universality of the holy nativity.

### Notes from Barbara

I was teaching Sunday School, 4 and 5th graders who made sure I knew that they were only there because they were too young to say no to their parents.

It was Christmas week so I invited them to take a look at the nativity display, hoping to break their boredom with a fresh idea about Christmas. As soon as

we got over to it, I saw it. Before that little baby had done a thing, the shepherds and kings all got the message that all are included in the idea of divine sonship.





Shepherd, show me how to go O'er the hillside steep, How to follow, how to sow, How to feed Thy sheep;

I will listen for Thy voice, Let my footsteps stray I will follow and rejoice All the rugged way.

Thou wilt bind the stubborn will, Wound the callous breast, Make self-righteousness be still, Break earth's stupid rest.

So, when day grows dark and cold, Tear or triumph harms, Lead Thy lambkins to the fold, Take them in Thy arms;

Feed the hungry, heal the heart, Till the morning's beam; White as wool, ere they depart, Shepherd, wash them clean.

## Track 8:

# Put Thou My Tears

Lyrics, Music and Orchestration by Deborah Offenhauser

"Tear bottles" have always been a part of ancient history, marking occasions of grief with tears saved as a remembrance of love.

A beseecher in "Put Thou My Tears" asks God that he be not forgotten, and the song then soars with the promise from God that He not only hears us, and not only wipes away our tears, but proclaims that there will be some day no need for tears, for there shall be no pain nor death. They shall all have passed away.

Put Thou my tears into Thy bottle When I cry unto Thee. Put Your everlasting arms Beneath, around, above me.

When I reach out with my heart, When I cry unto Thee, Let me know that You are here And watching over me.

I sought the Lord and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears. Oh, Lord, give ear unto my cry: Hold not Thy peace at my tears.

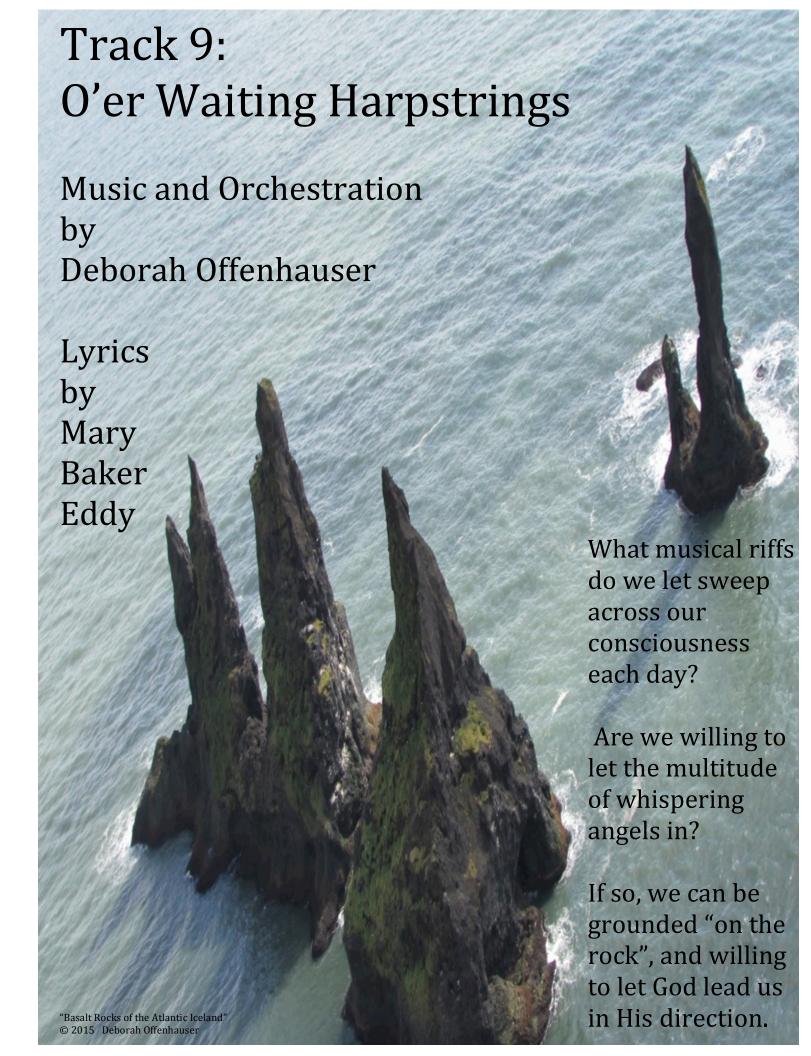
Put Thou my tears into Thy bottle When I cry unto Thee.
Put Your everlasting arms
Beneath, around, above me.

And God shall wipe away your tears, All the tears from your eyes; And there shall be no more sorrow, Nor shall you need to cry,

And there won't be any pain And there won't be any death, For the former things are gone. They've all just passed away.

I sought the Lord and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears. Oh, Lord, give ear unto my cry: Hold not Thy peace at my tears.

Put Thou my tears into Thy bottle When I cry unto Thee.
Put Your everlasting arms
Beneath, around, above me.



O'er waiting harpstrings of the mind
There sweeps a strain,
Low, sad, and sweet, whose measures bind
The power of pain,

And wake a white-winged angel throng
Of thoughts, illumed
By faith and breathed in raptured song,
With love perfumed.

Then His unveiled, sweet mercies show Life's burdens light. I kiss the cross, and wake to know A world more bright.

And o'er earth's troubled, angry sea I see Christ walk, And come to me, and tenderly, Divinely talk.

Thus Truth engrounds me on the rock, Upon Life's shore, 'Gainst which the winds and waves and shock, Oh, nevermore!

From tired joy and grief afar, And nearer Thee, Father, where Thine own children are, I love to be.

My prayer, some daily good to do To Thine, for Thee; An offering pure of Love, Whereto God leadeth me.

## Track 10:

## Seek and Ye Shall Find

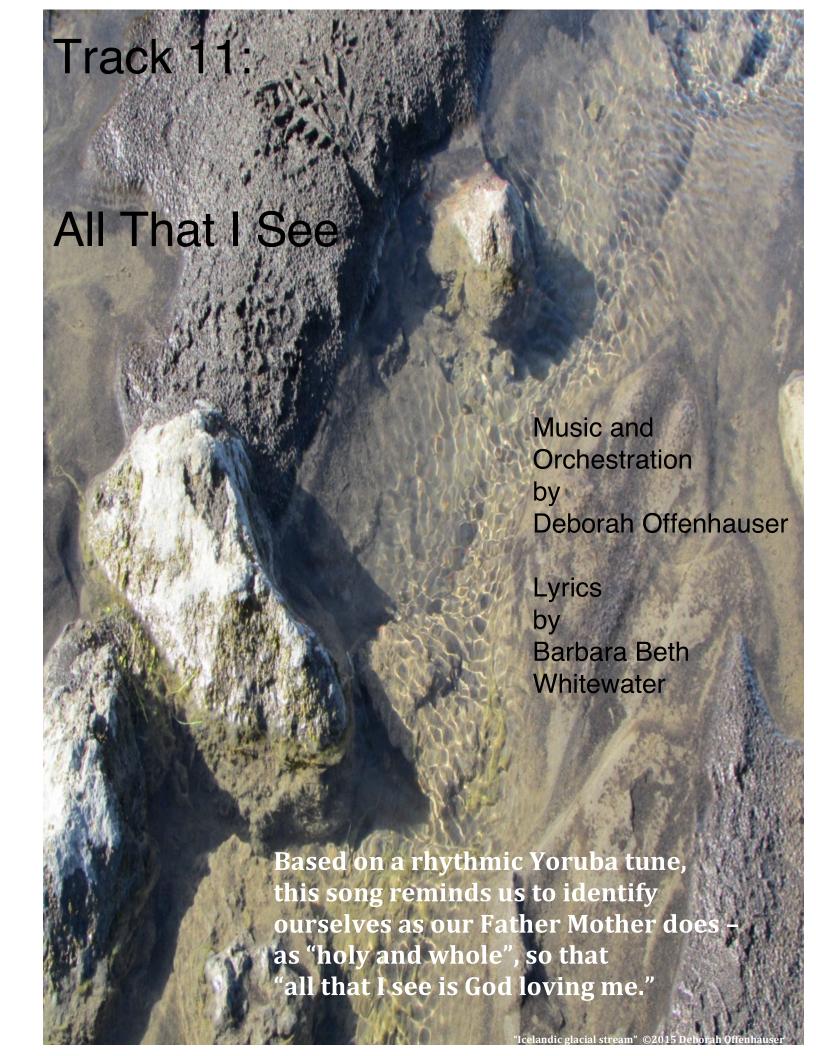
Music, Lyrics and Orchestration by

Deborah Offenhauser

In digging into the scriptures, I found many passages that underscore that God hears us before we even call, and opens the door for us, too. But we need to "knock", and we need to listen for the "still, small voice". "Seek and Ye Shall Find" brings reassurance that our prayers and questions will always be answered, "for all I have is thine."

Godafoss Falls of the Gods Iceland" ©2015 Deborah Offenhauser

"Seek and ye shall find, Ask and it shall be given unto you. Knock and it shall be opened unto you, For all I have is thine. Everyone that asketh shall receive; Everyone that seeketh, he shall find. Unto him that knocks will it be opened, For all I have is thine. If ye then know how to give Good gifts unto your children, How much more does your heavenly Father Give to them that ask Him? Open Thou mine eyes That I may behold Your wondrous things. Wondrous things from out of Thy law! know the thoughts that I think toward, Saith the Lord. Thoughts of peace, and not of evil, To give you an expected end. Ye shall ask Me, and ye shall find Me, When ye search for Me with all your heart. Then ye shall seek Me, And find Me, when ye shall search for me With all thine heart, For all I have is thine!" "Godafoss Rapids of Iceland" ©2015 Deborah Offenha





Notes from Barbara:

The outer eye sees hair, skin, teeth.

The inner eye sees Heaven on earth.

Icelandic Sea Foam ©2015 Deborah Offenhauser

Remembering God and His love I know what He formed me to be The child of Soul, holy and whole All that I see is God loving me. All that I see is God loving me.

Mirrored in Mind, happy to find I know what He formed me to be The child of Soul, holy and whole All that I see is God loving me. All that I see is God loving me.

As more of my true self appears
Companioned by Love through the years
The child of Soul, holy and whole
All that I see is God loving me.
All that I see is God loving me.

Remembering God and His love I know what He formed me to be The child of Soul, holy and whole All that I see is God loving me. All that I see is God loving me.



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### Track 12:

## I Thank You My Father

Music and Orchestration by Deborah Offenhauser Lyrics by Barbara Beth Whitewater

No need to feel that you are "down here" and God is "up there". Your Creator has fought the battle for you, and won. You are loved through His grace and comfort. All that you have to do is say "thank you, Dear Father".

Notes from Barbara:

What greater gift could there ever be, than the assuring proof of divinity?

I thank You my Father, my Mother, my All. You have every answer before every call. Thank You my Father, My Mother, my All Thank You my Father, My Mother, my All.

I don't have to reach out to some distant star.
I just sit in stillness to know You're not far.
As close as the air and as warm as the sun,
Your love saves and comforts, the battle is won,
The battle is won.

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So near to me, dear for me, I'm not alone. Your love and Your law are my shelter and home. Please help me to keep to the path of Your choice. Please help me to hear and to honor Your voice.

So near to me, dear for me, I'm not alone.

Your love and Your law are my shelter and home.

Please help me to keep to the path of Your choice.

Please help me to hear and to honor Your voice.

No earthly amusement can ever replace The joy and the peace that I feel through Your grace. It's real and it's here in the day or the night. Your Truth ever lifts thought from darkness to light, From darkness to light.

What more can I do than to keep thanking You, Than to live out Your goodness as all that is true? What more can I do than to keep thanking You, Than comfort the others when they never knew How near to all, dear to all, You'll always be, To guide and to heal and to bless and make free.

> I thank You my Father, my Mother, my All. You have every answer before every call. Thank You, my Father, my Mother, my All.



## Track 13:

## He is Risen

Music and Orchestration

by

Deborah Offenhauser

### Lyrics

by

### Barbara Beth Whitewater

A perfect Easter season piece, the listener feels that hope for all rises with the Christ, and indeed, every day that the Christ is being expressed!

Notes from Barbara:

Three little words. One huge proof of divine Love eternal.



He is risen, he is risen, Dear God, What does this mean? All is well and all forgiven, Life eternal clearly seen.

He is risen, he is risen, Hope for all now rises too. In the darkness, in the sorrow, Light and comfort, shining through.

What greater gift than love unending, life unending, free to all? What greater gift than thought uplifted; Grace to raise us, when we fall? Precious Jesus, did he know, Just how far this gift would go? Jesus lived his sacred sonship. Life's great lesson here to show.

He is risen, he is risen, Every time we laugh and love, He is risen, oh he is risen, He the lamb, the light, the dove.

He is risen he is risen Here to give all good away, He is risen, he is risen Turning every night to day.