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in Christian Science Churches

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# NEW SOLO TITLES!

ADDED to Watchfire Music's Sacred Song Catalogue

- [Angel and Star - Lea Schmidt-Rogers](#)  
[Beloved, Let Us Love One Another - Robert Powell](#)  
[Blessed Is She Who Believed - Ann Stephan](#)  
[Blest Christmas Morn - Peter B. Allen](#)  
[Christ My Refuge - Jennifer Nubel](#)  
[Christ My Refuge - William Elliott](#)  
[Feed My Sheep - William Elliott](#)  
[For as the Rain Cometh Down - Robert Powell](#)  
[He That Dwelleth in the Secret Place \(Ps. 91\) - Robert Powell](#)  
[I Am Calling You - Elizabeth Ragsdale](#)  
[I The Lord, Will Hold Thy Right Hand - Robert Powell](#)  
[I Will Press On - Ann Stephan](#)  
[Leave It There - Elizabeth Ragsdale](#)  
[Love - Robert Powell](#)  
[Mother's Evening Prayer - William Elliott](#)  
[Out of Reach - Elizabeth Ragsdale](#)  
[Prayer Is Your Friend - Elizabeth Ragsdale](#)  
[Psalms 139 - Mel Atkey](#)  
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[Simply Satisfied - Elizabeth Ragsdale](#)  
[Softly - Katrina Wylie](#)  
[Substance - Carolyn Kardinal](#)  
[The Beatitudes - Robert Powell](#)  
[The Evidence Of Things Unseen - Peter Link](#)  
[The Kingdom of God - Katrina Wylie](#)  
[The Lord Bless Thee - Robert Powell](#)  
[The Lord is my Shepherd - Robert Powell](#)  
[The Meaning of Aloha - Mel Atkey](#)  
[There Is Love - Carolyn Kardinal](#)  
[What Wondrous Love is This? - Robert Powell](#)  
[Where We Are Loved - Elizabeth Ragsdale](#)  
[Woke Up This Morning - Katrina Wylie](#)  
[You Are The Light Of The World - Ann Stephan](#)

# **NEW Organ/Keyboard TITLES!**

**ADDED to Watchfire Music's Sacred Song Catalogue:**

## Nicholas Schliapin

[Africa - Now shall my inward joys arise](#)  
[Cusseta - Show mercy, Lord, O Lord forgive](#)  
[Devotion - Sweet is the day of sacred rest](#)  
[Distress - The King of glory sends his son](#)  
[Edom - With songs and honors sounding loud](#)  
[Expression - Oh, Jesus, my Savior](#)  
[Florence - Not many years their rounds shall roll](#)  
[Hallelujah - And we'll all sing hallelujah](#)  
[Hebron - Thus far the Lord hath led me on](#)  
[Invocation \(First\) - Rise, my soul](#)  
[King of Peace - Lord, I cannot let Thee go](#)  
[Lenox - Blow ye the trumpet, blow](#)  
[Pleyel's Hymn \(First\) - While Thee I seek, protecting Pow'r](#)  
[Primrose - Salvation, O the joyful sound](#)  
[Return Again - Saviour, visit Thy plantation](#)  
[Russia - My spirit looks to God alone](#)  
[Saints Bound for Heaven - Our bondage, it shall end](#)  
[The Christian Warfare - I find myself placed in a state of probation](#)  
[The Marriage in the Skies - O ring the bells of heaven high](#)

## Lea Schmidt-Rogers

[Andalusia](#)  
[August](#)  
[Easter Joy](#)  
[Orff Fun](#)  
[Sacred Ground](#)  
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Use The Navigational Feature on your Adobe Reader:  
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by using the **Bookmark View** on your Adobe Reader.  
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2. Click "View" and choose "Navigation Panels" in the drop-down list.
3. Click "Bookmarks".
4. This will open a column of Bookmarks to the left of your pdf.
5. In the Bookmarks pane, you will be able to click easily to each section of Solo Thoughts.

**In summary, just remember this sequence:  
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# Welcome to Solo Thoughts!

## Here's what's in store for you when you use this resource:

- Simple format
- Efficient process to search for solos for your church service
- Direct links to multiple online music sites for ease of purchase
- Instant digital downloads & shippable hard copy music at your fingertips
- Comprehensive research tool matching solos with bible lesson sermons

## Here's what you can expect with each week listed in Solo Thoughts:

- Concise lists of solos, ranging on average, between 12 and 25 songs per week.
- Solos are categorized for ease of use:

### Solo Categories:

1. Solos: Overall Theme
2. Solos by Bible Lesson Section
3. Solos by Hymn Words
4. Solo Settings of Mary Baker Eddy's Poems and Texts

## Learn how to navigate easily and efficiently from week to week:

Use the **Bookmarks Tool** in Adobe Acrobat to move easily from week to week and from solo category to solo category. Just follow the directions on the Table of Contents page to open your Bookmark Pane.

Ex:



## Click directly to the purchase point for each solo listed:

Each song title has a specific link to take you to the "buy" page for additional information and online purchase. Just click, explore and buy.

**Ex: Apple of My Eye** – Music and Lyrics by Deborah Ann Offenhauser

Explore and Purchase this Song at the following Site(s):

Instant Digital Sheet Music: <http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=533>

## Additional tools to help you find the perfect solo:

Many song titles offer multiple links to buy instant digital sheet music, shippable hard copies, and song book collections. You can also listen to or purchase a related CD.

### Example:

Peter and John (2005)

Music by Mindy Jostyn

Lyrics by Mindy Jostyn and Jacob Brackman based on Acts 3:1-3

Instant Digital Sheet Music:

<http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=904>

CD: <http://watchfiremusic.com/album.php?dcid=7>

**Enjoy your inspired search of solos with  
Solo Thoughts!**

# Solo Thoughts News and Notes

## 2nd Quarter 2017 Q&A

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### **Update: Listening to Audio Samples on your Computer and/or Your Mobile Device**

**Q:** Why can't I hear the audio samples on my computer or mobile device?

**A:** The reason you cannot hear samples could stem from one or more of several reasons: If you are trying to listen from a mobile device, unfortunately, our site is not yet fully mobile compatible. We are working on it! So for the time being, please make sure you are at a laptop or desktop computer when listening.

Also, please check your volume levels on your computer and/or the speakers attached to your computer.

**If these do not seem to be the problem, it's possible that your computer has been updated to a new operating system.** You may need to update your internet browser, as a result. If you update your browser, you may also notice a small message on your browser screen saying that your Flash is out of date. Just reinstall Flash and your audio samples should work for you.

**In summary, check your volume, make sure it is not on mute; update your browser and possibly update Flash.**

### **Solo Thoughts Song Titles**

**Q:** Why do we sometimes see song titles posted more than once in a quarter, and conversely, why are certain titles left out that would clearly go with the Bible Lesson?

**A:** This is a great question. The answer is that the Solo Thoughts editors work to bring you a creative and informed set of titles each quarter. Sometimes, the editors will repeat a title used from the last quarter, or again in the same issue, because that title seems to highlight more than one Bible Lesson in an important way.

Conversely, in order to highlight new music and new composers whenever possible, the editors may sacrifice listing titles that were recently used in a previous or current quarter of Solo Thoughts. On the whole, WFM and the Solo Thoughts editors feel that it is very important to bring new musical ideas for Bible Lessons and to introduce new titles wherever appropriate and possible.

Tip: Hang on to your Solo Thoughts from previous quarters in a given year and perhaps make notes on solos that you think would work well for future Bible Lessons.

### **Listing Choral Music Titles in Solo Thoughts**

**Q:** Why does Solo Thoughts often include choral music titles when Solo Thoughts is geared to the solo singer in church services?

**A:** We've found through experience that choral music titles can broaden and refresh a church soloist's repertoire. The many choral titles that we list are very well suited to being performed by a soloist.

In most cases, the soloist usually needs to do some extra work to map out the melody, though it may move between staves at different points in the choral score. Through some planning with the accompanist, these choral songs-turned-solos can bring new life and music into the church service. To cite a couple of examples, Joseph Martin's "Song of Unity" and his "Song of the Spirit" work beautifully as solo songs for the church service.

## Update on posting Solo Thoughts

**Q: How far in advance does Watchfire Music post each new issue of Solo Thoughts?**

**A: Historically, we have posted each new quarterly issue of Solo Thoughts exactly 6 weeks in advance of the new quarter. About a year and a half ago, we extended the post deadline to fall somewhere in the 5 to 6 week range in advance of the new quarter.**

Due to what appears to be a later schedule of the release of the quarterly Bible Lesson Citations from the CSPA, we are now further shifting our posting deadline to fall within the range of 4 to 6 weeks in advance of the new quarter. We appreciate your patience, loyalty, and interest in this useful and helpful resource for musicians in Christian Science churches.

## More Questions

**Q: How do I find Solo Thoughts on the new watchfiremusic.com website?**

**A: Good news! It can be found on the top Nav Bar!**

Just look for the "Resource" drop-down menu on the top Nav Bar of watchfiremusic.com. Click "Resources" and then click on "Solo Thoughts CS."

**Q: I ordered sheet music from Watchfire Music but lost the download link. How can I get my music?**

**A: Whenever you order sheet music from WFM, you receive an automated Order Confirmation Email directly from our website. In that email is a Download Link.**

Just scroll down in your email to the **Download Information** area and click on the link provided. Once you click on it, your browser will open up your Purchase page where you can download the digital sheet music that you ordered, along with any other digital files you may have purchased such as mp3s.

**Q: What is a [Solo Treasure] and where do I get the music?**

**A: A [Solo Treasure] is an out-of-print song that is no longer available for purchase.**

As a courtesy to you, we include out-of-print titles that you may already have in your church music library, and we match them to upcoming Bible Lessons. When you see the label **[Solo Treasure]** listed after a title, this indicates that the song is no longer in print circulation. Therefore, **no link is provided** to purchase the song.

## News: Items of Interest

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### **NEW Website Coming!**

**Yes! Watchfire Music will be rolling out a new ecommerce site for all of our sheet music and recorded products!** By doing this we'll be offering an optimized, up to date purchasing and download experience for you on your desktop computer, laptop and all of your mobile devices. We'll keep you posted, but we are excited to let you know that it's coming!

**Remember: You may share Solo Thoughts with your musicians, music committee members and other interested members of your church (and your church only).** So, feel free to share the Solo Thoughts PDF via print-out or email within the circle of your church community.

### **ISOTW: Inspirational Song of the Week**

**Get your Inspirational Song of the Week!** This is a weekly series from Watchfire Music. It highlights song recordings from the WFM catalogue and is available to listen to throughout the week. Just click here any time to listen: <http://watchfiremusic.com/inspirationsongoftheweek/>

To receive your Inspirational Song of the Week, delivered each week via email, please click on this link to sign up: <http://watchfiremusic.fanbridge.com/>

### **Solo Thoughts Community on Facebook!**

Watchfire Music has created a Facebook Group for Solo Thoughts subscribers and anyone interested in music in church. The group is going full steam with lots of new members.

We look forward to seeing YOU on Facebook and becoming a part of the Solo Thoughts Community. There, you will be able to post, comment, ask questions, and share your stories of progress and success in your work with music in your churches.

Please visit the Solo Thoughts Community on Facebook and join!  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/211924449003826/>

## General Information

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**Watchfire Music** - <http://www.watchfiremusic.com> - is the owner and exclusive distributor of **Solo Thoughts**. We're hard at work bringing both new composers and music to you as well as bringing more out-of-print solos back into circulation. Please visit our Composer page: <http://watchfiremusic.com/wfm/composers/>

All of Watchfire Music's sheet music catalogue is available in the form of digital sheet music downloads. You can view sample pages of every piece of music on the site and listen to sample MP3s for most titles listed. Finally, you may purchase and download MP3 song files for listening and studying. Many composers also now offer accompaniment tracks for use in performance.

### **Other Sheet Music Resources:**

Solo Thoughts includes many other websites for researching and purchasing solos that best meet yours and your congregation's needs. We research throughout the Internet



to provide the purchase links for each solo title listed in this publication. Our list includes, but is not limited to various online sheet music distributors, the websites of individual composers, and publishers as well.

## **Sheet Music Information**

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### **Transpositions**

Susan Lindquist is doing transpositions on order through her music service SLVivace; however, you MUST own the music and MUST state that you own the music when you place your order at [slvivace@comcast.net](mailto:slvivace@comcast.net). Also, transpositions are for your personal use only and not for further distribution or resale.

### **Lyrics and Music:**

As we branch out beyond the old standards to search for new and interesting music, we are recommending solos that come from a variety of sources, including contemporary CS composers, but we are also including music from other denominations. Some churches are limited in the words they want to hear; others allow a broader range of lyrics.

As we bring you newer music, there are more styles of music, including gospel, contemporary Christian, spirituals, theatrical, and pop music. Not all of these styles will appeal to every congregation. We suggest you might clear the words and music with your music committees if there is a question.

In general, we will list the some of song lyrics unless they are easily referenced, such as hymn words (i.e., check the Christian Science Hymnal) or Psalm 23 (i.e., check the Bible). Due to copyright restrictions full lyrics may not always be listed. ALL LYRICS QUOTED ARE FOR STUDY PURPOSES ONLY.

In the case of using altered lyrics, please note that changing lyrics is illegal without the permission of the copyright holder, unless the lyrics are PD (public domain—published before 1923). If you must change a lyric to fit the needs of your congregation, please note that the changed lyric that you perform in church or anywhere cannot be published, recorded, broadcast, or performed in a paying public performance without the express consent from the copyright holder.

### **Please Note:**

*We continue to work to find all the URLs to get you directly to the listed music. If you find a broken link, please let us know. It's one of the ways we keep our databases up to date -- through the generous help of our subscribers. You can reach us at [support@watchfiremusic.com](mailto:support@watchfiremusic.com)*

## **In Summary**

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As we continue to evolve Solo Thoughts and bring more interesting sacred music to your attention, we sincerely hope that you enjoy using Solo Thoughts. We hope that it serves as a springboard of inspiration and ideas as you continue on your adventure of presenting inspirational and healing music in your church services!

With warmest wishes from  
*The Solo Thoughts Editors*  
*and the Watchfire Music Team*

## Date: May 7, 2017

# Subject: Adam and Fallen Man

### Solo Categories:

- Solos: Overall Theme
- Solos by Bible Lesson Section
- Solos by Hymn Words
- Solo Settings of Mary Baker Eddy's Poems and Texts

### Solos: Overall Theme

#### ● Come Home to Me (2011)

Music by Robert Collister

Lyrics by Joan Collister

Instant Digital Sheet Music: <http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=898>

Listen to MP3: <http://www.vocal-works.com/sounds/Solo%20bank/111027DG.mp3>

This contemporary, moderately difficult solo is reminiscent of Collister's other solos, "Be still and know," and "Gifts that come from above," and is accessible to both musicians and congregations.

*Lyrics: Peace and joy belong to thee. Just take my hand and come home, child, with me. We will soar o'er time and space; Feel my love, accept my grace. There is not a thing to fear. I am your God and my angels are near. They will guide you through the night, Leading you into the light. Awake from the dream that lulls you away Into a false sense that leads you astray. It is Truth that will save you from evil's false claims, That dress in sheep's clothing and come in my name. There's a place not far away Where we hear laughter and music all day. We will walk upon the wind, And you won't be sad again. You are the image of me. You are perfect, upright and free. Little beams of living light, pure in my sight; You will dwell in my heart for all eternity; For all eternity. Peace and joy belong to thee. Just take my hand and come home, child, with me. We will soar o'er time and space; Feel my love, accept my grace. Children, please, come home to me.*

#### ● Dominion (2015)

Music and Lyrics by Carolyn Kardinal

Instant Digital Sheet Music: <http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=1463>

This powerful solo carries a wonderful, empowering message which works with a variety of Lesson Sermons. Fairly easy to sing with options for soloist improvisation.

*Lyrics: When God in His image created man He gave man dominion to carry out his plan. So sin, disease, and death have no authority When dominion over matter insures man's liberty. To remain undisturbed is the task at hand For God has given power unto man. When we claim our right to peace and harmony We'll see the permanent perfection of reality. Dominion! Praise God for His wonderful plan! Dominion is God's power reflected by man. Sometimes mortal error insists on deception; We forget about dominion and effortless perfection, But the real man can't be tossed like a rag in the wind Nor ever found guilty of sickness, death, or sin. Whatever mortal picture seems to jar our harmony, If we stay undisturbed, the Truth will make us free. It's the Truth that man reflects divinity That is God's law of dominion that makes us free. Man expresses his flawless reflection When he's governed by laws of effortless perfection. When we claim our right to peace and harmony We'll see the permanent perfection of reality. Dominion! Praise God for His wonderful plan! Dominion is God's power reflected by man.*

● **Even as the Father (1999)**

Music and Lyrics by Desiree Goyette

Instant Digital Sheet Music: <http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=901>

CD: <http://watchfiremusic.com/album.php?dcid=177>

Listen to MP3: <http://vocal-works.com/sounds/Solo%20bank/041107F.mp3>

This uplifting contemporary solo has a memorable melody, and is a bit difficult with some tricky timings and a wide range (Bb-Ab).

*Lyrics: Not of the earth, not of the dust, God's man innocent and pure. Man is not fallen, man cannot fail, for his heritage is holy, secure. Shining reflections, children of light Singing through the darkest night. Strengthened by Spirit, conquering every lie with the "loveliness of Love" which never dies. "Be ye therefore perfect even as the Father" every step a moment of glorious birth. For man is upright, he is upright, he is not fallen, not of the earth. And so the Shepherd has washed them clean. Robed in radiance, crowned in light. Claim all His blessings, make them your own, for each blessing is your noble right. "Be ye therefore perfect even as the Father" every step a moment of dignity. For man is upright, he is upright, arise, God's man is free!*

● **Here am I (2006)**

Music and Lyrics by Carolyn Kardinal

Instant Digital Sheet Music: <http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=247>

This contemporary, moderately difficult solo is melodic and has wonderful chord patterns in the accompaniment, along with countermelodies. Good diction is needed to get the words across.

*Lyrics: When forces array against you, when happiness seems to flee, when mortal din overwhelms with fear, the Christ will set you free. Hear His gentle whisper. Turn to the light. Feel His Spirit calling you and answer, "Here am I." Let His Love embrace you. Seek to overcome the senses' deceitful picture, the serpent's lying tongue. Know you are hid in Christ. He is your very Life. With Him all things are possible when you answer, "Here am I." On winds of inspiration take your freedom flight. Hold Truth's mighty wing. Dominion is your right. Beloved child of God, soar where eagle's fly. Receive His blessing when you answer, "Lord, here am I." Know you are unspotted by thought or circumstance. You've always been God's image, not subject to change or chance. Never fear resistance that would veil the blessed light. Open your heart with gratitude and say "Here am I." Christ is the Light of the world that leads through the night. He's our Shield, our Rock, our Fortress, the Champion of our right. On Him place reliance. When He calls, give your reply without fear or hesitation, "Here am I, Lord, Here am I." On winds of inspiration take your freedom flight. Hold Truth's mighty wing. Dominion is your right. Beloved child of God, soar where eagles fly. Receive His blessing when you answer, "Lord, here am I." When you answer, "Lord, here am I."*

● **Holy (2015)**

Music and Lyrics by Ann Stephan

Source: Lev 20:26 and I Thess 4:7.

Instant Digital Sheet Music: <http://www.watchfiremusic.com/song.php?smid=1422>

This modern and lilting waltz has a real gospel feel and great energy. If your singer and keyboard player are comfortable in this style of music, this will be a real treat for your congregation.

*Lyrics: Holy, holy, be ye holy For I am the Lord your God I am the Lord your God Holy, holy, holy Ye shall be holy unto me You are not called to an unclean life But to purity You are the first fruit Beautiful harvest Of salvation Holy, holy, be ye holy For I am the Lord your God I am the Lord your God Holy, holy, holy Ye shall be holy unto me You were chosen from the dawn of time To perfection in Love He that is holy Let him be holy Ever still Holy, holy, be ye holy For I am the Lord your God I am the Lord your God Holy, holy, holy Ye shall be holy unto me Ye shall be holy unto me*