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September Workshop Songs



Bill Monroe 1911-1996

William Smith "Bill" Monroe was an American mandolinist, singer, and songwriter who created the style of music known as bluegrass. Because of this he is commonly referred to as the "Father of Bluegrass". The genre takes its name from his band, the Blue Grass Boys, named for Monroe's home state of Kentucky. Monroe's performing career spanned 69 years as a singer, instrumentalist, composer and bandleader.

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Fiddle tune-Gold Rush

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1 1 4 4

progression 1

1 1 5 5

1 1 4 4

1 5 1 1

I'm On My Way Back to the Old Home

**Back in the days of my childhood
In the evening when everything was still
I used to sit and listen to the foxhounds
With my dad in those old Kentucky hills**

**I'm on my way back to the old home
That road that winds up the hill
But there's no light in the window
That shined long ago where I lived.**

**Soon my childhood days were over
I had to leave my old home
My mom and dad were called to heaven
I was left in this world all alone.**

**High in the hills of old Kentucky
Stands the fondest place in my old memory
I'm on my way back to the old home
The light in the window I long to see.**

Verse**1 1 4 4****5 5 1 1****1 1 4 4****5 5 1 1****Chorus****4 4 1 1****1 1 5 5****1 1 4 4****5 5 1 1**

progression 2

with varied chorus

I Wonder Where You Are Tonight

**Tonight, I'm sad my heart is weary
Wondering if I'm wrong or right
You say you love me then you left me
I wonder where you are tonight**

**The rain is cold and slowly fallin
Upon my window pane tonight
And though your love is even colder
I wonder where you are tonight.**

**Your heart was cold you never loved me
Though you often said you cared
But now you've gone to find another
Someone who knows the love I shared**

**Then came the dawn the day you left me
I tried to smile with all my might
but you could see the pain within me
That lingers in my heart tonight**

1 1 1 1

progression 3

1 1 5 5

1 1 4 4

1 5 1 1

Will You Be Lovin Another Man

**Now will you love me little darling
When I'm in some other land?
And you know I can't be with you
Or will you be loving another man?**

**Will you be loving another man
Will you be loving another man
When I return will you be waiting
Or will you be loving another man**

**Now don't be crying on my shoulder
And telling me that love is grand
And before I'm out of sight dear
Then be loving another man**

**Now if I find this to be true, dear
I want you please understand
When I return don't say you're sorry
Just keep on loving another man.**

1 1 1 1
4 4 1 1
1 1 1 1
1 5 1 1

progression 4

Mountain Dew

**Down the road there from me is an old hollow tree
Where you lay down a dollar or two
You go around the bend and you come back again
There's a jug of that good old mountain dew.**

**Oh they call it that good old mountain dew
And them that refuse it are few
Now hush up your mug and I'll fill up your jug
With that good old mountain dew.**

**The preacher rode by with his head hoisted high
Said his wife had come down with the flu
He thought that I ought to sell him a quart
Of that good old mountain dew.**

**Well, my uncle Mort he is sawed off and short
He measures about four foot two
But he feels like a giant when you give him a pint
Of that good old mountain dew.**

Verse

1 ¼ 1 1
1 1 5 5
1 ¼ 1 1
1 5 1 1

Chorus

4 4 1 1
1 1 5 5
1 1 4 1
1 5 1 1

progression 5

Little Georgia Rose

Now come and listen to my story
A story that I know is true
About a rose that bloomed in Georgia
With hair of gold and a heart so true

Way down in the Blue Ridge Mountains
Way down where the tall pines grow
Lives my sweet heart of the mountains
She's my little Georgia Rose

Her mother left her with another
A carefree life she had planned
The baby now she is a lady
The one her mother couldn't stand

We often sing love songs together
I watched her do her little part
She smiled at me and I would tell her
That she was my sweet heart.

1 1 1 1

4 4 1 1

5 4 1 1

progression 6

(12 Bar Blues)

Rocky Road Blues

**Well, the road is rocky but it won't be rocky long
The road is rocky but it won't be rocky long
Another man don't took my woman and gone.**

**Well I got these blues and I'm wearin out my shoes
I got these blues and I'm wearin out my shoes
I ain't got no way to relieve these low down blues.**

**I wish to the Lord he'd bring my woman back home
I wish to the Lord he'd bring my woman back home
I don't mind being lonesome just don't want to be
alone.**

**You never miss your water till the well runs dry
You never miss your water till the well runs dry
You never miss your woman until she says goodbye.**

1 1 1 1
4 4 1 1
4 4 1 1
4 5 1 1

progression 7

Can't You Hear Me Calling

**The days are long and the nights are lonely
Since you left me all alone
I worry so my little darling
I worry so since you've been gone**

**Sweetheart of mine can't you hear me calling
A million times I love you bess
I mistreated you Lord and I'm sorry
Come back to me is my request**

**I remember dear the night we parted
A big mistake has caused it all
If you'll return sunshine will follow
To stay away would be my fall**

**The days are dark my little darling
Oh how I need your sweet embrace
When I woke up the sun was shining
When I looked up I saw your face**