

Carolan's Welcome (A minor)

composed by Turlough O'Carolan (1670-1738)

transcribed and arranged by Frank Weber, learned from tenor banjo and fiddle player Uli Schmidt in 1999
 Recordings: The Chieftains: Chieftains 9 - Boil the Breakfast Early (1979); Derek Bell: Carolan's Favourite (1979); Magical Strings: Spring Tide (1982); Patrick Ball: Celtic Harp - The Music of Turlough O'Carolan (1983); Dominig Bouchaud: Vibrations (1987); Lee Murdock: Wayfaring Stranger (1987); Andrea Freeman: Fair Wind (1987); The Waterboys: Fisherman's Blues (1988); Dennis Doyle: Hibernia (1990); Carol Thompson: Carolan's Welcome (1993); Keith Hinchliffe: Carolan's Dream (1994); Margaret Davis & Kristoph Klover: The True Lover's Farewell (1994); Celia Briar & The Brian Consort: Her Mantle So Green (1995); Noel Henry's Irish Show Band: Our Forever Friend (1995); Amy Krupski: Celtic Echoes (1996); Fiona Davidson: Fonnsheen (1996); Greg Joy: Celtic Secrets, Vol. 2 (1996); Alison Vardy: Harping On (1997); Wendy Stewart: About Time 2 (1997); Lisa Lynne: Fairie Tales (1997); Samantha Moffatt: Gift from the River (1997); Pat Talbert: Peacocks and Angels (1997); Thomas Breckheimer: O'Carolan's Celtic Harp (1998); Garden of Butterflies: Jody's Heaven (1998); Carol Thompson: The Faerie Isles (1998); Margot Chamberlain: Celtic Roads (Compilation 1998); Lúnasa: Otherworld (1999); Chulrua: Barefoot on the Altar (1999); Michael Cantrell: Sanctuary (1999); Alizbar: Welcome into the Morning (1999); Jim Goodin: Celtic Journey to the Path (1999); Michael Cantrell: Sanctuary (1999); Rowan Tree Hill: Northumbrian & Irish Folk (1999); Jim Taylor: One October Morn (1999); Randal Bays: Salmon's Leap (2000); Alec Stone Sweet: Memory & Praise (2000); Spookytree (Debra Knodel & Jane Valencia): Starlit Dreams - A Quartet of Winter Tunes (2000); Spookytree (Debra Knodel & Jane Valencia): Wintergift (2000); Ann'Sannat & Alizbar: Welcome into the Morning (2000); Ken Waldman: A Week in Eek (2000); Claire Roche: An Irish Wedding Ceremony (2001); Aryeh Frankfurter: Harper's Brew (2001); The Waterboys: A Rock in the Weary Land (2001, expanded Edition only); Anwyn & George Leverett: Songs from Shadow Wood (2002); Dave Hamilton & Bruce Cardwell: Well Acquainted (2002); One Harp and a Flute: Leaves of Gold (2003); Knot Fibb'n: True - Never Been Known to Lie (2003); Robin Bullock & Michel Sikiotakis (2003); That Harp Guy: Flood, Flux, and Flow (2003); Mark Evans: A Rival Heart (2003); Blarney Pilgrims: Olde Day Again (2003); Robin Bullock & Michel Sikiotakis: The Irish Girl (2003); Cynthia Lynn Douglass: Celtic Magic (2003); Aine Minogue: The Twilight Realm (2004); Amy Kortuem: The Harp Her Soul Required (2004); Caera: Through Misty Air (2004); Aryeh Frankfurter: Harp Chronicles Volume 1 - The Secret Bride / Lest the Harp Strings Unravel (2004); Sheefra (Tim Jennings & Leanne Ponder): The Water Kelpie (2004); Mary Kay Mann: Celtic Daydreams (2005); Moonrakers: Both Sides (2005); The Pedrick-Hutson Guitar Duo: The Seas are Deep (2006); Arabesque: Glen Road to Cordoba (2006); The Itinerant Band: Apples in Winter (2006); Iris Nevins: Celtic Guitar Dreams (2006); J.J. Sheridan: The Complete Works of Turlough O'Carolan (2006); Spiritual Seasons: All for Me Grog (2006); Angelo Eleuteri: The Music of O'Carolan (Compilation 2006); Lúnasa: The Story so far (2007); Liminality (Cath Connolly & Greg Hunt): Invocation (2007); Tracey Rose Brown: Songs in the Mist (2007); Arundo: Live at Counihans (2007); Banquo Folk Ensemble: Things that do sound so fair (2007); Lolly Cross: Celtic Memories (2007); Adagio Trio: Celtic Heart (2008); Sabrina Sigal Falls: On Eagles' Wings (2008); Levine Andrade, Kieran Barry & Mike Stanley: Celtic Fiddle - 60 Traditional Favours (2008); Andi Wolfe: An Obair (2008); Dawn Davis: Winds of Tradition (2009); John McGaha: Solace (2009); Foley Road: Wherever the Road takes us! (2009); Alison Helzer: Carolan's Welcome (2010); Cheryl Reid O'Hagan: Sunny Day (2010); Mike Nielsen: Music from a wee Cottage (2010); Amy Krupski, Todd Denman, Barry Phillips & Michael Roche: Celtic Harp Magic (Compilation 2010); Órla Fallon & Cormac de Barra: Music of Ireland - Welcome Home (Compilation 2010); Faerydae: Changeling (2011); Emily Groff: Small Fish (2011); Santec Music Orchestra: Wind of the North (2011); Erik Sampson / Erik the Flutemaker: Moving Right Along (2011); Carol Thompson, Darcy Fair, Jack Coen & Billy McComiskey: The Road From Erin: Ireland's Musical Legacy (Compilation 2011); Lynn Saoirse: The Seas are Deep (2012); Bob Culbertson: Celtic Waters (2012); Sheela Na Gig: The Nightflower Sessions (2012); Shizuku Aosaki: 金木犀のこもりうた (2012); Arethusa Consortium: Arethusa Consortium (2012); Lisa Lyons: Flight of Freedom (2012); Adam B Harris: Rainforest (2013); Dicky Deegan: Hibernia (2013); Garlic Bread: O'Carolan's Dream (2013); Emanuel Battigelli: A Fairy's Love Song (2013); Poeticall Musicke: Farewell I (2013); Pennyland: Annie's Romance (2013); Dan Gibson's Solitudes: Gentle World - Celtic Reverie (2013)

The sheet music for 'Carolan's Welcome' is presented in a standard musical notation format. It features eight staves of music, each consisting of five horizontal lines and four spaces. The music is written in 3/4 time. The key signature is A minor, indicated by a single sharp sign (F#) on the first line. The notes are represented by vertical stems with horizontal dashes for heads, and the rests are shown as empty vertical stems. Above each staff, the corresponding chord is printed in capital letters: Am, Am, G, Em, Am, G, F, Am, Am, G, Em, Am, C, Dm, Am, G, Em, Am, C, Dm, Am, Am, F, C, Am, Dm, C, G, F, Am, C, Am, G, Am, G, F, Am. The music is divided into sections by double bar lines with repeat dots, suggesting a performance style where certain sections are repeated.

alternative Chords:

The musical score is organized into eight measures, each starting with a different chord from the Am, Dm, Em, G, C, F, Dm, C, Am, F, G, Am, C, Dm, F, and Am chords. The chords are labeled above the staff. The music is in 3/4 time. The notes are primarily eighth and sixteenth notes, with some quarter notes and rests. The melody includes several grace notes and slurs.