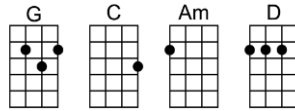


A HEART THAT NEVER CLOSES - Mary C. Carpenter

4/4 1...2...123 (without intro)



Intro: G (4 measures)

G
Is it a trick of the light or some sleight of hand

G
Yester-day's in the rear view, you don't understand

C
How fast it all goes, need to catch your breath

G
Time is just a bandit tryin' to steal what's left

Am C D G
I'll keep it for you, you can keep it for me. Carryin' each other, we can carry

G
Got my reasons for bein' all around this place

G
Books, dogs and coffee and a day full of rain

C
And when the clouds clear out, got a night full of stars

G
I'm learnin' what to keep and what to let go of

Am C D G
I'll teach it to you, you can teach it to me. Carryin' each other, we can carry

C G
Acorns in the fall, old camp blankets, wood smoke in my clothing, maples that I planted

C Am D
Irises in summer, and a heart that catches, the screen door that's always missing its latches

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G

All the flights of the starlings that appear in the evening

G

In the din of congregation I'll take more than I'm leavin'

C

But not the bitter or broken, not the scars or the shame

G

I'll leave the windows wide open, you can do the same

Am

C

D

G

I'm bringin' it to you, you can bring it to me. Carrying each other, we can carry

Interlude: First 5 lines

C

The noise that filled the kitchen on some New Year's Eve

G

For-gotten resolutions that I never believed in

C

Am

D

The silence in the hall at the end of the day, that says we're alone but doesn't feel that way

G

I want to carry a life that doesn't do what its told

G

All the places and the songs and the stories we hold

C

And wishes thrown like brides throw their roses

G

Dreams I kept for no good reason and a heart that never closes

Am

C

D

G

I'll carry it for you, you can carry it for me. Carrying each other, we can carry (repeat, fade)