

CHRISTMAS DINNER by Paul Stookey, 1963, 2/2 time

Em D C G
And it .. came to pass on a Christmas evening
Am7 G A B
. While all the doors were .. shuttered tight
Em D C G
.. Outside standing, .. lonely boy-child
Am7 G B Em Em
.. Cold and shivering .. in the night

Em D C G
.. On the street, .. every window
Am7 G A B
. Save but one, was .. gleaming bright
Em D C G
And to this window .. walked the boychild
Am7 G B Em Em
.. Peeking in saw, .. candle light

Em D C G
Through other windows he had looked at turkeys
Am7 G A B
. Ducks and geese, .. cherry pies
Em D C G
But through this window saw a grey-haired lady
Am7 G B Em Em
.. Table bare and .. tears in her eyes

Em D C G
. Into his coat reached the boy-child
Am7 G A B
.. Knowing well there was little there
Em D C G
He took from his pocket, his own Christmas dinner
Am7 G B Em Em
. A bit of cheese, some bread ... to share

Em D C G
. His outstretched hands held the food and they trembled
Am7 G A B
.. As the door, it .. opened wide
Em D C G
Said he, Would you share with me Christmas dinner
Am7 G B Em Em
.. Gently said she, Come inside

Em D C G
The grey-haired lady brought forth to the table
Am7 G A B
.. Glasses two and her last drop of wine
Em D C G
Said she, ... Here's a toast to everyone's Christmas
Am7 G B Em Em
.. and especially, ... yours and mine

Em D C G
And it .. came to pass on that Christmas evening
Am7 G A B
. While all the doors were .. shuttered tight
Em D C G
.. That in that town, the happiest Christmas
Am7 G B Em Em
.. Was shared by ... candle light