How Can I Keep From Singing

Christian Hymn adapted by Doris Plenn via Pete Seeger
Song of the Session 20.3

D | G D | D A
My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
D | G D | D A
I hear the real, thought far off hymn that hails the new creation above the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;
D | G D | D A | D
It sounds an echo in my soul How can I keep from singing?

D | G D | D A
What through the tempest loudly roars, I know the truth, it liveth.
D | G D | D A | D
What through the darkness round me close, Songs in the night it giveth.
D / / /
No storm can shake my inmost calm While to that rock I'm clinging.
D | G D | D A | D
Since love is lord of Heaven and earth How can I keep from singing?

D | G D | D A
When tyrants tremble, sick with fear, And hear their death-knell ringing,
D | G D | D A | D
When friends rejoice both far and near, How can I keep from singing?
D / / / In prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging.
D | G D | D A | D
When friends by shame are undefiled, How can I keep from singing?