

SENDING

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Farewell, Good Friends!

Shalom, chaverim!

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a Dm chord and a melodic line starting on G4. The second staff continues the melody with chords Gm, C7, and Dm. The third staff concludes the piece with chords Gm, A7, and Dm. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. Asterisks above the first and third measures of the first staff indicate where the piece can be sung as a canon.

Fare - well, good friends! Fare - well, good friends! Sha -
Sha - lom, cha - ve - rim! Sha - lom, cha - ve - rot! Sha -
lom, sha - lom! Till we meet a - gain, till we
lom, sha - lom! Le - hit - ra - ot, le -
meet a - gain, sha - lom, sha - lom.
hit - ra - ot, sha - lom, sha - lom.

*May be sung as a canon.

HEBREW

שלום חברים
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שלום שלום
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While it is true that the Hebrew word *shalom* means “peace” and that it is used to greet people and bid them farewell, its larger sense is a feeling of contentment, wholeness, and harmony. Singing this round in the original language is one way to share in that fuller meaning.

TEXT: Hebrew blessing
MUSIC: Israeli melody

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