

CP Easy Guitar – Play for Joy Course Content

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Course Title: Easy Guitar: Play for Joy

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Course Prerequisites: Completion of Beginner Folk Guitar II or equivalent skills

For this fifth semester of **Easy Guitar: Play for Joy**, we have picked more songs that we love and that are pretty easy. We have learned that you all often like a little challenge to spice these easy songs up. There will be some of that, but mostly this is about learning new songs (or playing old friends) and having fun with the music.

You will have 5 leaders: **Glenn Rill, Lynda Hastings, Ann Meyer, Mary Miller and Bill Stanley**. Collectively we have become **GLAMB**.

Every week we will play at least 5 songs, one (and occasionally more) by each of us, in 12 minute segments. Before each weekly session, you will receive an e-mail from us. In it, each of us will provide you with:

- the name of our song(s) of the week,
- some description of things you should know about the song,
- music of the song **for you to print**,
- often there will be a YouTube link to the song
- some of us will provide our own MP3 version of the song...not that we are so great, but because that is how we will be singing the song in class. Often, our versions differ somewhat from the original artists!

This means that every e-mail will have attachments. You will need to open and print each of the songs for the week. **You will need to bring these with you to class**. We are trying to put a lot of playing time into each session, so there will be very little time for the transition between leaders. You won't have any time to be sorting through songs at that point, so print them in the order in which they arrive.

With the materials that we send you, you can spend some time playing the songs before the session, if you wish. This is NOT a requirement. We provide it as an enhancement to your musical experience. If you prefer to play the songs "cold" as you might do in a jam, that is OK with us, too. Whatever you do with the music, it should be FUN for you.

In addition to the music that we send you, you will need to bring to class your guitar, capo, pick, music stand and electronic tuner.