

Evening rise, Spirit come.
Sun goes down, when the day is done
Mother Earth awakens me
with the heartbeat of the sea.

Midnight falls, stars burn bright
Dark waves roll in the pale moonlight.
Mother Earth calls to me
in the heartbeat of the sea.

Morning comes, spirits fade.
Sun glows gold at the break of day.
Mother Earth comforts me
with the heartbeat of the sea.

V2 and V3 words by Sue Burnside

Structure:

v1: all sing tune

v2: altos sing tune, basses and tenors sing low drone (keynote/tonic), sopranos sing high drone (fifth)

v3: in four parts (basses on tune, tenors drone, altos descending line, sopranos descant)

Coda: all hold last note while two sops (Margaret McNeill and Sue Burnside) repeat last line, "with the heartbeat of the sea"