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On the shores of the river, the wild roses sweet **G - Am**  
Drink the water with roots so deep, **D - G**  
Blossoming bright like the stars shimmering **Em - Am**  
On the river they shine. **D - G**

### CHORUS:

Down by the river, the beautiful river, **C - D - G**  
Down by the river, river so free, **Em - Am - D - G**  
Flow on forever, beautiful river, **C - D - G**  
Beautiful river, fill me with peace. **Em - Am - D - G**

The river beneath her, the great heron flies **G - Am**  
Wings the blue-gray of the summer skies, **D - G**  
Soaring aloft, on the breeze she will rise **Em - Am**  
On the river, she flies. **D - G** CHORUS

Trunk white and curving, the sycamore tree **G - Am**  
Gracefully arches across the stream, **D - G**  
Golden in autumn, bright green in spring, **Em - Am**  
By the river she sings. **D - G** CHORUS

Turtles are warming on rocks in the sun, **G - Am**  
Snakes are curling on the river's smooth stones, **D - G**  
Asleep are the possum, the doe and her fawn, **Em - Am**  
On the river they roam. **D - G** CHORUS

When I am weary and burdened by cares, **G - Am**  
Sorrows seem heavy and so hard to bear, **D - G**  
I sit by the water and find comfort there, **Em - Am**  
On the river I'm home. **D - G** CHORUS