The Water is Wide
Traditional Folk Song

Intro: (Arpeggio)
\[F . . . | . . . | Bb . . . | F . . . |\]
\[sing\]  
\[F\]  
\[\text{The water is wide}---\]
\[F\]  
\[\text{I can't cross over}---\]
\[Bb\]  
\[\text{Nor do I have light wings to fly}---\]
\[C\]  
\[\text{Build me a boat that can carry two}---\]
\[C\]  
\[\text{my love and I}---\]
\[F\]  
\[\text{A ship there is and sails the sea}---\]
\[F\]  
\[\text{She's loaded deep as deep can be}---\]
\[Bb\]  
\[\text{But not so deep as the love I'm in}---\]
\[C\]  
\[\text{And I know not how I sink or swim}---\]
\[F\]  
\[\text{When love is young and love is fine}---\]
\[C\]  
\[\text{It's like a gem when first it's new}---\]
\[C7\]  
\[\text{But love grows old and waxes cold}---\]
\[Bb\]  
\[\text{And fades away like morning dew}---\]

Instrumental:
\[F . . . | F . . . | Bb . . . | F . . . |\]
\[. . . Am\]  
\[\text{Am}---\]
\[. . . Dm\]  
\[\text{Dm}---\]
\[Bb\]  
\[\text{Bb}---\]
\[C\]  
\[\text{C}---\]
\[F\]  
\[\text{F}---\]
F . . . | . . . | Bb . . . | F . . . | The water is wide——— I can't—— cross o—— ver——
. . . Am\ | Dm . . | Bb . . . | C . . . | Nor do I have——— light wings—— to fly———
C7 . . . | Am . . | . . . . | Dm . . . | Build me a boat——— that can carry—— two———
Bb . . . | Csus4 . . | C . . . . | F . . . | F\ and both shall row——— my—— love—— and—— I———

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