

# Like a Prayer

Madonna

Solo

S Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

C Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

T Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

B Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

The first system of the musical score for 'Like a Prayer' features five staves. The top staff is labeled 'Solo' and contains a series of rests. The second staff is for Soprano (S), the third for Contralto (C), the fourth for Tenor (T), and the fifth for Bass (B). Each of these four vocal staves contains the lyrics 'Uh' followed by two dashes in the first three measures, and then continues with a melodic line in the remaining measures. The music is in 4/4 time and the key signature has one flat (B-flat).

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Life is a my - ste - ry, ev'-ry-one must stand a - lone I hear you call my name And it feels like

S Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

C Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

T Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

B Uh - - Uh - - Uh - - - -

The second system of the musical score begins at measure 10. The top staff contains the lyrics: 'Life is a my - ste - ry, ev'-ry-one must stand a - lone I hear you call my name And it feels like'. Below this are four vocal staves (S, C, T, B) and a bass line. Each vocal staff has the lyrics 'Uh' followed by two dashes in the first three measures, and then continues with a melodic line. The bass line also follows this pattern. The music continues in 4/4 time with the same key signature.

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Solo

home

When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer I'm down on my knees,

S

C

T

B

it's like a lit-tle prayer

it's like a lit-tle prayer

it's like a lit-tle prayer

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I wan-na take you there In the mid- night hour I can feel your power Just like a prayer you know I'll take you

I wan-na take you there I can feel your power you know I'll take you

I wan-na take you there I can feel your power you know I'll take you

I wan-na take you there I can feel your power you know I'll take you

it's like a lit-tle prayer

30

there I hear your voice, it's like an an - gel sig-hing I have no choice, I hear your voice

Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

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Solo  
Feels like fly - ing I close my eyes, Oh God I think I'm fall-ing Out of the sky, I close my eyes

S  
Feels like fly.ing Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

C  
Feels like fly.ing Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

T  
Feels like fly.ing Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

B

Feels like fly.ing Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh Uh

45

Hea-ven help me When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour

Hea-ven help me When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour

Hea-ven help me When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour

Hea-ven help me When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour

Hea-ven help me When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour

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I can feel your power Just like a prayer you know I'll take you there When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer

I can feel your power Just like a prayer you know I'll take you there When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer

I can feel your power Just like a prayer you know I'll take you there When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer

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I can feel your power Just like a prayer you know I'll take you there When you call my name it's like a lit-tle prayer

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Solo

S

C

T

B

I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour I can feel your power Just like a prayer

I'm down on my knees, I wan-na take you there In the mid-night hour I can feel your power Just like a prayer you

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you know I'll take you there Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Life is a my - ste-

you know I'll take you there Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh,

you know I'll take you there Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh,

you know I'll take you there Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh,

know I'll take you there Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, oh, Oh, oh, Oh, oh, oh, Oh,

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- ry, ev'-ry-one must stand a - lone I hear you call my name And it feels like home Just like a prayer,

Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Uh - - - - - home Just like a prayer,

Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Uh - - - - - home Just like a prayer,

Oh, oh, Oh, oh, Uh - - - - - home Just like a prayer,

oh, Oh, oh, Uh - - - - - home Just like a prayer, your

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Solo

S

C

T

B

your voice can take me there Just like a muse to me, you are a my-ste-ry Just like a dream,

your voice can take me there Just like a muse to me, you are a my-ste-ry Just like a dream,

your voice can take me there Just like a muse to me, you are a my-ste-ry Just like a dream,

your voice can take me there Just like a muse to me, you are a my-ste-ry Just like a dream,

your voice can take me there Just like a muse to me, you are a my-ste-ry Just like a dream,

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voice can take me there Just like a muse to me, you are a my-ste-ry Just like a dream, you

you are not what you seem Just like a prayer, no choice your voice can take me there Just like a prayer, I'll

you are not what you seem Just like a prayer, no choice your voice can take me there Just like a prayer, I'll

you are not what you seem Just like a prayer, no choice your voice can take me there Just like a prayer, I'll

you are not what you seem Just like a prayer, no choice your voice can take me there Just like a prayer, I'll

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are not what you seem Just like a prayer, no choice your voice can take me there Just like a prayer, I'll take

take you there It's like a dream to me Just like a prayer, I'll take you there

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take you there It's like a dream to me Just like a prayer, I'll take you there

you there It's like a dream to me Just like a prayer, I'll take you there It's

88

Solo

S

C

T

B

The image shows a musical score for five voices: Solo, Soprano (S), Contralto (C), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The score is for measure 88. Each voice part has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics for all parts are "It's like a dream to me". The Solo part is a single line. The Soprano, Contralto, and Bass parts are grouped together with a vertical line between the first and second measures. The Tenor part is a single line. The music consists of a melodic line with a quarter rest at the end of the phrase.

like a dream to me