

Around the Bend

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Slow

F C Bb

John - ny went down a-round the bend His moth - er watched with tear - ful
 John - ny treads down the way Like a flow - er heavy with

Dm F C

eyes To leave and find a way to help the mend Is to
 dew Found at first light of dawn - ing day His darl -

Bb Dm F

take a road not know - ing what lies A-round the bend he was called
 ing watch - es; heart weeps a - new, A-round the bend, he must

C Bb Dm Fast Dm

for And John-ny went
 go And John-ny went But when he march - es home a-gain

C Dm F

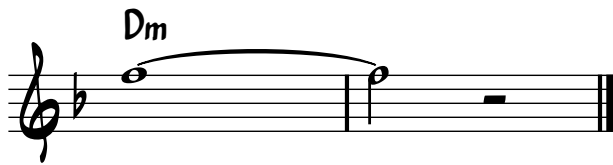
how they will cheer Ours is glo - ry our en - e - mies are slain, and our John-ny has - re -

C Dm C Dm C $\text{♩} = 58$

turned His fath - er is glad, his moth - er sings, his darl - ing's heart has joy

F C Bb

A-round the bend then a-round the bend Our John - ny has went and



come

*Johnny tramps down along the line
Musket at his shoulder
Watching for the sign
Fight and be strong and true
Around the bend, was the command
And Johnny went.*

*Johnny looks around
Blood is all he can see
Family hopes he's homeward bound
Returning with honor and victory
Around the bend, left not to return
But to leave his country free.*

*As raindrops fall increasingly
Throughout a thunderstorm
The days become too many
And their fears begin to grow
His father is sad, his mother mourns
His darling's hearts has broke
Around the bend, looks to be his end
Our Johnny has went and gone.*

*But then the steady beat
Of a soilder marching victoriously
His darling runs out to meet
Johnny who fought for his country
Around the bend, country's free
Because Johnny went.*