

[Verse 1]

Em D C D Em D C  
I was a highwoman, and a mother from my youth, for my children I did what I had  
D Am Em D C Am  
to do. My family left Honduras when they killed the Sandinistas. We followed a  
Em D C Em D C D G  
coyote through the dust of Mexico. Everyone of them except for me survived,  
C D  
and I am still alive.

[Verse 2]

Em D C D Em D C D Am  
I was a healer, I was gifted as a girl, I laid hands upon the world. Someone saw  
Em D C Am Em D  
me sleepin, naked in the noon sun. I heard witchcraft in the whispers and I knew  
C Em D C D G C  
my time had come. The bastards hung me at the Salem Gallows Hills, but I  
D  
am living still.

[Verse 3]

Em D C D Em  
I was a freedom rider, when we thought the south had had won,  
D C D Am Em D  
Virginia in the spring of '61. I sat down on the greyhound that was bound for  
C Am Em D C Em  
Mississippi, my mother asked me if that ride was worth my life. And when the  
D C D G C D  
shots rang out I never heard the sound, but I am still around.

[Bridge]

G D C D C  
And I'll take that ride again and again and again and again and again.

[Verse 4]

Em D C D Em D C  
I was a preacher, my heart broke for all the world, but teaching was unrighteous  
D Am Em D C Am  
for a girl. In the summer I was baptized in the mighty Colorado. In the winter I  
Em D C Em D  
heard the hounds and I knew that I'd been found. And in my Saviour's name  
C D G C D  
I laid my weapons down, but I am still around.

[Verse 5]

Em D C D Em D C  
We are the highwomen, and sing of stories still untold. We carry the sons  
D Am Em D C Am  
you can only hold. We are the daughters of the silent generations. You send our  
Em D C Em D C D G  
hearts to die alone in foreign nations. And they return to us as tiny drops of rain,  
C D  
but we will still remain.

[Outro]

G D C D C  
And we'll come back again and again and again and again and again (x2)

G D C D C Em