

Heavenly Father Holy Mother  
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Tuning: Standard  
Capo 3

Intro: **D**

VERSE 1

**D**  
If grandpa was alive right now  
**G** **A** **D**  
There ain't no tellin' what he'd have to say  
**D** **G**  
Why he had fifteen wives all living with him  
**A** **D**  
When he finally passed away  
**G**  
And though I've just got two now mama  
**G** **D**  
That's enough to keep me satisfied  
**A** **G**  
I haven't had a son yet but the good Lord knows  
**A** **D**  
The three of us have tried

CHORUS

**A** **G**  
Cause the Pennsylvania Dutch  
**A** **D**  
That we once spoke has been forgotten  
**G** **D** **A**  
And the Mormon way of life is almost gone  
**G** **A** **D** **A** **G**  
But now and then we gather down in Salt Lake City  
**G** **A** **G**  
To raise our voices in a joyful song  
**D** **G** **D**  
And we sing: Heavenly Father, Holy Mother  
**A**  
Keeper of our children tiller of the land  
**D** **G** **D**  
Take us to the river in a horse and buggy

A                      D

Give us our salvation help us make our stand

VERSE 2

D  
No, ma am, I did not go to see  
G                      A                      D  
The Reverend Brigham Young while I was there  
D                      G  
But I m sure glad to know you wanted him  
A                      D  
To mention my name in a prayer  
G  
I hope he did not preach about the young folks  
G                      D  
That refused to make the change  
A                      G  
Cause if he did I m sure I got a little more  
A                      D  
Than my share of the blame

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REPEAT CHORUS (as necessary)