

**My Saving Grace**  
**Jamey Johnson**

My first tab ever, hope it helps. This is one of my most favorite songs sung by Jamey Johnson

Intro **C G C G**

**C** **G**  
Daddy s bourbon breathe was strong as gasoline,  
**F** **G**  
and it seemed to fuel the rage he had inside.  
**C** **G**  
He d come home just burning, mad, drunk, and mean,  
**F** **G**  
raising hell on a Saturday night.  
**Am** **G** **F**  
Mom would lock us up in her bedroom,  
**Am** **G** **F**  
he d be lying in the hallway on our way to sunday school.

(Chorus)

**F** **C**  
They Both in their own ways became my saving grace.  
**Am** **G** **F**  
Daddy passed out with his demons, momma passed the offering plate.  
**F** **C**  
And she d cry out to heaven protect this son of mine,  
**Am** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
while daddy kept the devil off my back by taking up his time.

**C** **G**  
Mom said nobody s perfect as we walked in the church  
**F** **G**  
to ask the good lord to forgive him again.  
**C** **G**  
I still recall that sermon I hung on every word That s when  
**F** **G**  
I learned just exactly what father really meant.  
**Am** **G** **F**  
And the angels and the people gathered round.  
**Am** **G** **F**  
I was standing in that water when the preacher laid me down.

Repeat Chorus and add at the end

Daddy kept the devil off my back by taking up his time.