

The Ballad Of John McCrae
Josh Turner

[Intro]

Em C G C D Em

[Verse]

Em **C** **G**
On the banks of the Missouri
G **C** **D** **Em**
Annie Washed up in the clay
Em **C** **G**
And they took her to her father
G **C** **D** **Em**
Told him it was John McCrae
Em **C** **G**
Now I m running through the badlands
G C D Em
Covering my tracks
Em **C** **G**
Northward toward Dakota
G **C** **D** **Em**
With the devil on my back

[Chorus]

Am **D** **G**
Oh, the river flows
Am **D** **G**
To our immortal home
B7 **Em**
Oh Annie, oh my soul

[Instrumental]

Em C G C D Em

[Verse]

Em **C** **G**
Well I took her down by the stream side
G **C** **D** **Em**
For to make that girl my bride
Em **C** **G**
But in the fold of her pretty white dress
G **C** **D** **Em**
Lay her father s bowie knife
Em **C** **G**
Well she pulled that steel blade on me
G **C** **D** **Em**
Told me she would take my life
Em **C** **G**
So I pushed her into the river

G **C** **D** **Em**
She went under with the tide

[Chorus]

Am **D** **G**
Oh, the river flows
Am **D** **G**
To our immortal home
B7 **Em**
Oh Annie, oh my soul

[Verse]

Em **C** **G**
I am standing at the gallows
G **C** **D** **Em**
And the scaffold it is high
Em **C** **G**
And the hangman asked my last words
G **C** **D** **Em**
Before I m condemned to die
Em **C** **G**
So I begged God,