

# church on the beach

Amin7

1. church on the beach; graves in the grasses  
plaques on the wall; centuries of losses  
Fmaj7 Emin7  
the names of men who put to sea  
Fmaj7 Emin7  
in wind in storm; now in the lee

*chorus:*

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of the church on the beach  
where the sea reaches everyone we love  
of the church on the beach  
where the sea breaches everything we have

2. sailors and sons; heroes and lovers  
houses of grief; islands of mothers  
whose pain is etched in brass and stone  
a place, a date – so much is shown

*chorus:*

in the church on the beach

*etc. etc.*

*instrumental verse and chorus*

3. clear light glass; seabirds calling  
waves on the sand; rising and falling  
it's still the same – the tithes are paid  
it costs the same when men are laid

*chorus:*

by the church on the beach

*etc. etc.*

*instrumental to fade*