

# Keep Marching (Db/Eb)

Bass

## Verse 1

(Soloist)

*You won't live to see the future that you fight for/ Maybe no one gets to reach that perfect day./ If the work is never over/ Then how do you keep marching anyway?/ Do you carry your banner as far as you can, rewriting the world with your imperfect pen 'Til the next stubborn girl picks it up in the picket line over and over again?/ And you join in the chorus of centuries chanting to her./ The path may be twisted and risky and slow, but keep marching, keep marching Will you fail or prevail, well you may never know, but keep marching, keep marching 'Cause your ancestors are all the proof you need/ That progress is possible, not guaranteed. It will only be made if we keep marching, keep marching on.*

(Soloist)

*Keep marching on*

(CHOIR)

[Unison] Keep mar- ching on  
F Eb Db Db

*Keep marching on*

[B] Keep mar- ching on  
F Eb Db F

## Verse 2

*(Soloists) And remember every mother that you came from/ Learned as much from our success as our mistakes. Don't forget you're merely one of many others/ On the journey every generation makes.*

(Soloists)

(CHOIR)

*We did not end injustice and neither will you*

[B] Nei- ther will you  
Db Eb F F

*But still we made strides, so we know you can too*

[B] Oh you can too  
Db Db Db Db

*Make peace with our incomplete power and use it for good 'cause there's so much to do*

[B] So much to do  
Ab Ab Ab Ab

(CHOIR)

The gains will feel small and the Los- ses too large.  
[All] Ab F F F F Eb Db Eb F Gb F

Keep mar- ching, keep mar- ching  
[B] Ab Ab Gb Ab Ab Gb

You'll rare- ly a gree with who- e- ver's in charge.  
[All] Ab F F F F Eb Db Eb F Gb F

Keep mar- ching, keep mar- ching  
[B] Ab Ab Gb B B A

(Soloists)

*Cause your ancestors are all the proof you need that progress is possible,*

**(CHOIR)** not gua- ren- teed.  
[B] Eb Eb Eb Eb

It will On- ly be made if we keep mar- ching  
[All] C Bb Ab Gb F Eb Db Eb E Eb Db

keep mar- ching on  
[Bass] E Eb Db Db

**Modulation [Db to Eb]**

keep mar- ching o-o-on  
[B] Db Db Db Eb-----

(CHOIR)

Yes the world can be changed we've done it be- fore;  
[B] Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb

keep mar- ching, keep mar- ching  
[B] Eb Eb Ab Ab Ab Ab

We're al- ways be- hind you so bang down the door;  
[B] Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb

keep mar- ching, keep mar- ching  
[B] Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb Eb

*(Soloist) And let history sound the alarm of how*

(CHOIR)

The fu- ture de- mands that we fight for it now  
[B] G C Bb G C Bb G F F F F

It will on- ly be ours if we keep mar- ching- keep mar- ching on  
[B] D C Bb Ab G F Eb F Gb F Eb G F Eb G

### **Vamp**

(CHOIR: Unison)

Come on keep mar ching, mar ching, mar ching  
[All] Eb F G F Eb F Eb F Eb

Come on keep mar ching, mar ching, mar ching  
[Again] Eb F G F Eb F Eb F Eb

(Harmony)

Come on keep mar ching, mar ching, mar ching  
[B] Eb F G F Eb F Eb F Eb

Come on keep mar ching, mar ching, mar ching  
[B] Eb F G F Eb F Eb F Eb

### **Ending**

Come on keep mar- ching, mar- ching, mar- ching,  
[B] Eb F G F Eb F Eb F Eb

Keep mar- ching on!  
[B] Bb Bb Bb Eb