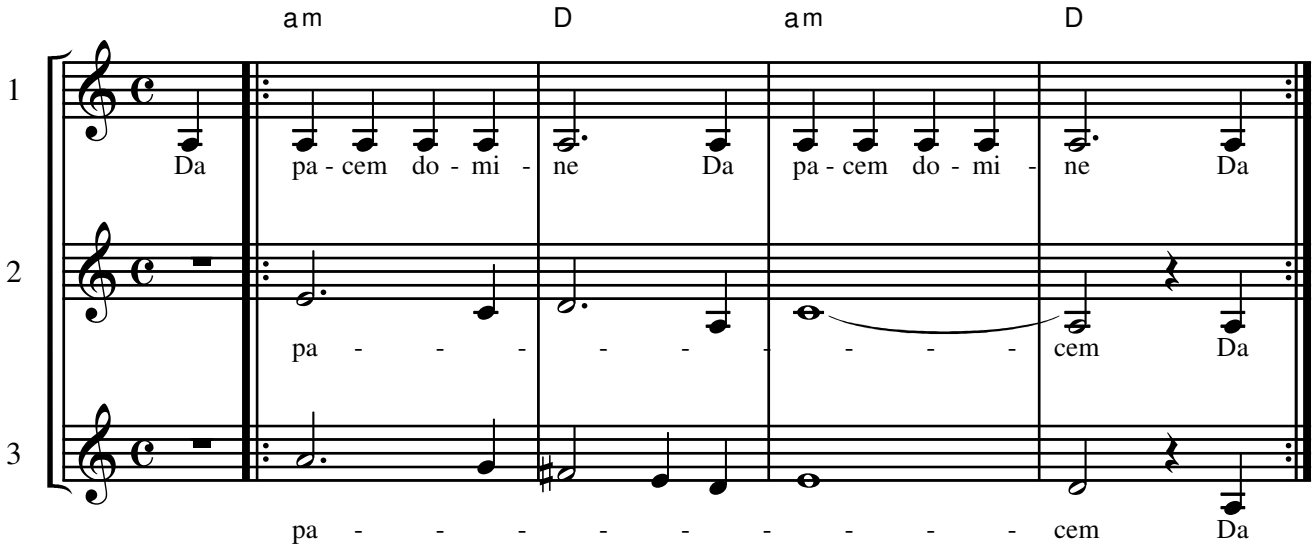
Da Pacem Domine



*suggestion for guitar - Capo up 2 frets and play in b minor)

Movements: Leila Be

This traditional Latin phrase translates "Grant peace, Lord". With each round of prayer, the mind quietens and we open to the spaciousness and peace already present within our natural being. Thus the "granter" of peace in the prayer and we are not separate.

1. Da pacem domine, Da pacem domine
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1. Without holding hands, dancers take 4 steps in toward the center of the circle while bringing up the arms, then 4 steps back out bringing the hands forward over the face and down the body as if being washed by peace.

2. Slow individual turn in place to the right.

3. Dancers take hands walking to the right.

Where multiple circles of dancers are present it's effective to do this dance in unison for a time and then introduce a round to each circle, as noted above. The dance can then be closed by returning to unision.