

Side Notes: This song, just like life, goes through stages that repeat and feel familiar, but are different. I wrote this during a time of transition when my oldest was unable to join us on a family vacation because he had to work. While I'm grateful to see him progress and be successful in his next stage of life, there is still a bit of sadness and sense of loss now that he's moving on. I hope this song reminds you to cherish the time you have at each stage of our own life, both the good and the bad, and also appreciate the blessings and positive things which come with each stage of life that those around us might be going through themselves.

## Growing Older

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The musical score for "Growing Older" is presented in four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system begins with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic and features a D chord. The second system starts at measure 4 and includes an 8va marking. The third system starts at measure 8. The fourth system starts at measure 12 and includes an F# chord.