Key of C and Am: chords and scale notes

These chord shapes all have roots on G strings, and they're very convenient for scoping out where the scale notes fall and determining the chords in the key.

Compared to the G major / E minor chart we used in previous workshops, notice that we're using the same patterns in the same order, but we've shifted "home base," the location of our key's straight-bar 1-chord, to the fifth fret since we're now in the Key of C (which has the same chords and scale notes as Am).

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Am

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G

C

Dm

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G

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Em

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