

A Choristers Christmas

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ST. PETER'S
ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL

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*Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation.
All mobile telephones, pagers, and electronic devices should be turned off prior to the service.
Devices for those who are hard of hearing are available at the Visitor's Desk.*

Prelude *Wexford Carol* arr. Dempsey
Zac & Zoe Garven, Trombone & Horn

Welcome Chris Garven, Director of Music

Carol *A Child Will Come To Lead Us* Mark Patterson
Timothy Hughes, Ivy Yoder, Joseph Hughes, JD Long

*A child will come to lead us. The Savior will soon be there.
A child will come to lead us; keep watch for the time is near.
Keep watch in the night for the heavenly light
That tells of the Savior's birth
Angels will sing of the love that he brings
When the Prince of Peace comes to earth.
Angels will sing of the love that he brings
When the Prince of Peace comes to earth.
A child will come to lead us.*

Carol *Come to Us Emmanuel* Carol McClure
All Choristers

Come to us Emmanuel, Christ whose hope we now await,
Whose birth the prophets did foretell, come to us we pray
Come to us we pray.
* hope, love, joy, peace*

Carol *Prepare!* Lloyd Larson
2nd Grade Choristers & Up

*Prepare, prepare for the coming of the Lord; in the desert prepare a road.
Ev'ry valley shall be lifted high, each mountain and hill made low.
All you who 'wait the coming, rehearse the joyful song
That shall be sung forever with voices clear and strong!
Prepare, prepare for the coming of the Lord; in the desert prepare a road.
Ev'ry valley shall be lifted high, each mountain and hill made low.
With hearts and hands and voices we plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption that sets Your people free.
Prepare, prepare for the coming of the Lord; in the desert prepare a road.
Ev'ry valley shall be lifted high, each mountain and hill made low.
Prepare for the coming of the Lord!*

Carol *A Joyful Magnificat* Joseph Martin
*Youth Chorister Girls
Kaleigh Miles, soloist*

*My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God
My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior
I will magnify the Lord, I will magnify the Lord, my God
With kindness He has regarded me.
With tenderness He has exalted me
His mercy spans all the ages.
His love shall never end.
Oh, holy is the Lord, Oh, holy is the Lord
My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God
My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior
I will magnify the Lord, I will magnify the Lord, my God*

Carol
Youth Chorister Boys

Joseph's Song

Herb Frombach, arr. Robert Lau

*Joseph was a carpenter, his hands were scarred and torn.
Joseph was a carpenter, his face was tired and worn.
But when God chose him to be the earthly father of his Son,
He build a house of love for Mary and their precious one.*

*Joseph was a quiet man with inner strength and peace.
Joseph was a gentle man whose love would never cease.
And his mission was to raise a boy who would become a King.
He was the earthly father of our great eternal spring.*

*Born your people to deliver, born a child, and yet a King.
Born to reign in us forever, now your gracious kingdom bring.*

*Joseph was a quiet man. Joseph was a gentle man.
Joseph was a carpenter whose son was Christ, the King.*

Congregational Carol 79 *All stand and sing.*
Verse 1 only.

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Carol *Please be seated.*
PreK Choristers

Little Donkey

*Little donkey, little donkey, walking down the dusty road.
Little donkey, little donkey, to Bethlehem you go.
Clip, clop, clip, clopm clippity clop Joseph by your side
Clip, clop, clip, clop, clippity clop, Mary rides the
Little donkey little donkey walking down the dusty road
Little donkey, little donkey, to Bethlehem you go.*

Carol
Youth Choristers

Prelude to Bethlehem

arr. R. Gray

*Oh little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, the silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark street shineth The everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.*

Congregational Carol 102 *All stand and sing.*
Verses 1 & 2 only

Once in Royal David's City

Carol
K/1 Choristers & Up

**Gloria in Excelsis
Jazz Gloria**

Jerry Estes
Natalie Sleeth

Gloria in excelsis Deo. (Gloria)

*Gloria in excelsis Deo Gloria Alleluia
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Christ the Lord is born.
Gloria in excelsis Deo Gloria Alleluia
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Christ the Lord is born.*

*Lo, now he comes, the awaited Messiah
The babe who is born in a poor cattle stall.
There 'mid the wisemen and shepherds adoring
He lies sweetly sleeping the Savior of all*

*Tell the news through all the earth;
Tidings of the holy birth.
Sent from God with Man to dwell;
Jesus our Immanuel.*

Carol *Please be seated.*
2nd & 3rd Grade Choristers

Carol of the Shepherd Boys

arr. Delores Hruby

*High up on the hills of Bethlehem, young shepherds tended sheep
When an angel came and called to them to wake them from their sleep.
"Wake up, wake up sleepy boys, open your eyes and look around you.
Wake up, wake up sleepy boys. Go and find the Son of God."*

*So they tumbled down the hillside, leading all their little sheep;
as they ran into the barn, they found a baby boy asleep
Then they stopped and then they stared, then they knelt down to adore him.
Then they stopped and then they stared. They had found the Son of God.*

Congregational Carol 101 *All stand and sing.*
Verses 1 & 2 only

Away in a Manger

Carol *Dormi, Dormi* Italian Carol arr. Mary Goetze
K & 1st Grade Choristers

*Sleep, o sleep, my lovely child. King divine, King divine.
Close your eyes and sweetly slumber. King divine, King divine.
Close your eyes and sweetly slumber.
Fa la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la*

*O my treasure, do not weep. Sweetly sleep, sweetly sleep.
Close your eyes my Son, my dear one. Sweetly sleep, sweetly sleep.
Close your eyes my Son, my dear one.
Fa la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la*

Carol *Hush-a-bye* Wright and Dickerson
PreK Choristers

*Hush-a-bye, don't you cry, go to sleep my little Baby.
Mary sings her lullaby, go to sleep my little Baby.*

Angels sing, news they bring that You're God's son the chosen One

When You wake, You will find shepherds bowing by Your side.

Shining star lends its light, o'er Your bed this holy night.

Hush-a-bye, don't you cry, go to sleep my little Baby.

Carol *Noel! Sing Noel!* arr. Gary E. Parks
Maddie Lynes, Zoe Garven, Kaleigh Miles,
Marion Bevis, Dixon VanLandingham,
Zac Garven

*Noel! Sing Noel!
Sing noel, sing noel, sing we noel! Sing noel, sing noel, sing we noel!
Sing we all noel! Sing we all noel!
Come and see the little babe borh to us this starry night,
Lying on a bed of hay you will see the Child of Light!
Sing noel, sing we all noel! Sing noel, sing noel sing we noel!
Mary, Joseph lend your aid, tend your baby at His birth.
Angels singing all around tell the news to all the earth!
Sing noel, sing noel, sing we noel! Sing noel, sing noel, sing we noel!*

Carol *Star of the East, Bethlehem's Star* Greg Gilpin
4th & 5th Grade Choristers

*Star of the East, Bethlehem's star, guiding each one of us from afar.
Your rays are peace and joy and love, Star of the East, shining above.
Star of the East, lulled by your light, giving us hope on this lonely night,
Lead us to peace and joy and love. Star of the East, shinign above.*

*Watch over us, safe and secure, lead us as we travel on.
Heavenly light, faithful and pure, we have been searching so long.*

*Star of the East, Bethlehem's star, guiding each one of us from afar.
Lead us to peace and joy and love, Star of the East, shining above.
Lead us to peace and joy and love Star of the East shining above.*

Congregational Carol 100 *All stand and sing.* **Joy to the World**
Verses 1, 2, & 4 Only

THANK YOU TO OUR MUSIC STAFF: DEBORAH GARVEN, NORMAN YOUNG,
& ERICA LEE.

JOIN US IN 2024

Our chorister program is open to new members after Christmas, and we would love to see some new faces when we resume our Wednesday rehearsals on **JANUARY 10, 2024!** Choristers meet from and youth choristers from 4:45-5:30PM. If your family has ever been a part of our ensembles in the past, we would love to have you and your skills back, but we would also love to have some new singers! If you have any interest or questions, contact Debbie Garven.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS YEAR'S CHORISTER CAMP—JULY 15-19, 2024!

For all those participating in choristers for the 2024-25 school year, we have a “pre-season” camp for K-12th Choristers. While it is still the middle of the summer, it gives us an opportunity to bond together as a group as we engage in a variety of musical and artistic activities and logistical training before we resume regular rehearsals in the Fall.



THE CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS

PREK

Chisom Nnaji
Phineas Hawkes
Catalina Calhoun
Nate Pucik

Charles Weatherill
Annalise Jackson
Francina Penrod

K & 1ST GRADE

ChiChi Nnaji
Luke Long
Walter Bishop
Gracie Glenos
Johnny Jackson
Alexandra Stewart

Laina Bergschneider
Hattie Hines
Zoe Joseph
Margarete Penrod
Evangelena Penrod

2ND & 3RD GRADE

Emma Wacksman
Nora Jackson
Lev Brown
Cal Pucik
Zachary Joseph
Rosie Harter
Opal Lawson

Caitlyn Weatherill
Twila Hines
Peter Penrod
Verity Hawkes
Geneieve Bishop
Reagan Stewart

4TH & 5TH GRADE

Stafford VanLandingham
Maxwell VanLandingham
Marc Kaiser
Ezekiel Hawkes
Loa Glenos
Henley Bergschneider
Evie Thompson

Monty Lynes
Amelia Hughes
John Garrett Hughes
Charlotte Bevis
Wesley Long
Patrick Harter
Angela Odhiambo

YOUTH CHOIR

Sage O'Brien
Elise Weatherill
Lilianne Weatherill
Morgan Lynes
Maddie Lynes
Zoe Garven
Kaleigh Miles
Julianna Harter
Joseph Hughes

JD Long
Everet Thompson
Sam Kaiser
Dixon VanLandingham
Timothy Hughes
Zac Garven
Marion Bevis
Bo Long
Ivy Yoder

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