

Winter Glow

December 24th, 2022



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

Welcome to St. Francis

Our choir have chosen present a program of simple beauty and congregational singing of familiar carols— a 'Light in the Darkness' - an aural *chiaroscuro* tableau as a contrast to the present season.

You will find in this program a simpler, more joyful experience of the wonder of Christ's birth.

Choir

Alleluia, Rejoice

J. Edmund Hughes

Men

O come, O come Emanuel, and ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice, rejoice! Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Women

Hodie Christus natus est:
Hodie salvator apparuit:
Hodie in terra canunt Angeli,
laetantur Archangeli:
hodie exultant justi, dicentes:
Gloria in excelsis Deo, alleluia.

Translation

Today Christ is born:
Today the Savior has appeared:
Today the Angels sing,
Today the righteous rejoice, saying:
Glory to God in the highest, alleluia.

Handbell Ringers: Jill Lynch, Lloyd Mistele, Wendy Pratt, Susie Willigrod, Susie Zimmerman

Carol

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Hymn #83, v. 1, 3, 6

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come, and behold him, born the King of angels;**

Refrain:

*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God, glory in the highest; *Refrain***

Choir: *The Angels and the Shepherds*

Bohemian Carol, arr. C. H. Trevor

Women

Shepherds, O hark ye, glad tidings we bring, Peace and goodwill to the world now we sing;
See in a manger Christ the Anointed,
Whom for your Saviour God hath appointed. Alleluia.

Men

In yonder manger behold now he lies, Whom angel voices foretold from the skies.
Seeking thy mercy, we kneel before thee, Singing thy praises, humbly adore thee. Alleluia.

All

Still through the ages the song doth resound, Peace and goodwill on the earth shall abound;
Bear we the tidings to every nation,
Born is the Christ Child for man's salvation. Alleluia.

Choir: *Coventry Carol, from the Pageant of the Shearmen and Tailors, arr. Martin Shaw*

Refrain

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child, By by, lully lullay.

Women

O sisters too, how may we do for to preserve this day
This poor youngling, for whom we do sing, By, by, lully lullay?

Men

Herod, the king, in his raging, charged he hath this day
His men of might, in his own sight, All young children to slay.

Solo: Anita Olp

That woe is me, poor child for thee!
And ever morn and day, For thy parting neither say nor sing
By, by, lully lullay!

Carol

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hymn #87, v. 1-3

**1. Hark, the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'
*Hark, the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King.***

**2. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see:
hail, the incarnate Deity,
pleased as man with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.**

Choir

Who But the Lord?

Craig Courtney

Men

O come, Thou bright and morning star and bring us comfort from afar.
Dispel the shadows of the night and turn our darkness into light.

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light,
can break into the dark, draw morning from the night? Who but the Lord will hear our cry
and answer: "Here am I?"

Who but the Lord makes blinded eyes to see, brings music to the deaf,
sets the lonely captive free?

Who but the Lord will by his glory show the paths of peace?
Who but the Lord? Who but the Lord?

O shine on us the brightness of Your face,
To earth's remotest end, every people, every race.
O shine on us until to each is shown your saving grace.
O shine on us, O shine on us, O shine.

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light?
None but the Lord.

Solo

Gesú bambino
Jill Lynch, soprano

Pietro Yon

When blossoms flowered 'mid the snows
Upon a winter night,
Was born the Child, the Christmas Rose,
The King of Love and Light.

The angels sang, the shepherds sang,
The grateful earth rejoiced;
And at His blessed birth the stars
Their exultation voiced.

O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Again the heart with rapture glows
To greet the holy night,
That gave the world its Christmas Rose,
Its King of Love and Light.

Let ev'ry voice acclaim His name,
The grateful chorus swell.
From paradise to earth He came
That we with Him might dwell.

O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Carol

Angels We Have Heard on High

Hymn #96, vv. 1-4

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song? *[Refrain]*

Refrain:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

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Come to Bethlehem and see
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
[Refrain]

Choir

Personent, hodie

arr. Gustav Holst

Refrain

Ideo, ideo, ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!

On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.

His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came down to earth
Bethlehem saw his birth; ox and ass beside him from the cold would hide him.

God's bright star, o'er his head, Wise Men three to him led;
kneel they low by his bed, lay their gifts before him, praise him and adore him.

On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring, praising Christ, heaven's King,
born on earth to save us, peace and love he gave us.



Refrain

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King, the King of Israel.

The first Noel the angel did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay akeeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

They looked up and saw a star
shining in the east, beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night.

Then let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,
and with His blood mankind hath bought.

Carolyn Osborne, Violin

Carol: Joy to the World

Hymn #100, vv. 1-2, 4

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come

Let earth receive her King

Let every heart prepare Him room

And heaven and nature sing,

and heaven and nature sing

And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns

Let us our songs employ

While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,

repeat the sounding joy

Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

4. He rules the world with truth and grace

And makes the nations prove

the glories of His righteousness

and wonders of His love,

and wonders of His love

and wonders, wonders of His love

This Evening's Singers

Soprano: Anna Eakins, Jill Lynch, Anita Olp, Wendy Pratt

Alto: Suellen Eslinger, Olufemi Knight, Susie Willigrod, Susie Zimmerman

Tenor: Bernie Goulet, Anthony Lowe, Todd Strange, Susan Tsuji

Bass: Matt Kellaway, Anthony Lauro, Lloyd Mistele, Jerry Sather



Join our Choir!

Would you like to sing with us?

Our choir, under the direction of Dr. Mark Bennett, are a fun & friendly group who are always overjoyed to welcome new members.

No audition or previous experience is required.

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