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TRINITY CHURCH'S 2025 CHRISTMAS MUSICALE

A Service Of Lessons & Carols

Join Us for a Journey to the Manger through Scripture and Song

Thursday, December 18 at 7 PM

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Arun Andrews

PRELUDE

Capriccio on "Wachet Auf" (D. Gawthrop)

Andrew Meade, organ

LESSON #1

Prophecy of the Coming Redeemer

Isaiah 40:1-5

ANTHEM

Advent Message (M. How)

Chancel Choir

Carol #213

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (Vs 1-3)

*Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here!*

*Redeemer, come, with us abide;
our hearts to thee we open wide;
let us thy inner presence feel;
thy grace and love in us reveal.*

*Fling wide the portals of your heart;
make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heaven's employ,
adorned with prayer and love and joy.*

Carol #216 Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
As men of old have sung.
It came, a floweret bright,
amid the cold of winter
when half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
the Rose I have in mind:
with Mary we behold it,
the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright
she bore to us a Savior
when half spent was the night.

O Flower, whose fragrance tender
with sweetness fills the air,
dispel in glorious splendor
the darkness everywhere.
True man yet very God,
from sin and death now save us
and share our every load.

LESSON #3	Prophecy of Messiah’s Birth in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2-5
ANTHEM	<i>A Tiny Child Will Come (D. Besig)</i>	Chancel Choir
LESSON #4	The Angel Gabriel Appears to Mary	Luke 1:26-38
SOLO	<i>Mary Did You Know (B. Greene)</i>	Bruce Snyder
LESSON #5	The Messiah is Born	Luke 2:1-7
ANTHEM	<i>Baby, What You Goin’ to Be? (N. Sleeth)</i>	Quartet

Carol #217 Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes;
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay
close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

OFFERING	<i>A Special Night (arr. B. Miller)</i>	2 Pianos, 8 Hands
DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER		Rev. Arun Andrews
LESSON #6	The Angels Appear to the Shepherds	Luke 2:8-14

Carol #238 Angels We Have Heard on High

*Angels we have heard on high
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echoing their joyous strains.*

Refrain:

***Gloria, gloria, gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, gloria, gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!***

*Shepherds, shy this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heavenly song?*
(Refrain)

*Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing,
come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.*
(Refrain)

*See him in a manger laid,
whom the choirs of angels praise,
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
while our hearts in love we raise.*
(Refrain)

LESSON #7

The Shepherds Visit Jesus

Luke 2:15-20

ANTHEM*Run to Bethlehem (D. Wagner)*

Chancel & Handbell Choirs

Carol #245 The First Noel (Vs 1-2)

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

Refrain:

***Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.***

*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.*
(Refrain)

LESSON #8

The Magi Visit Jesus

Matthew 2:1-12

Carol #245 The First Noel (Vs 3-5)

*And by the light of that same star
three Wise Men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent,
and to follow the star wherever it went.*

Refrain:

***Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.***

*This star drew nigh to the northwest,
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
and there it did both stop and stay,
right over the place where Jesus lay.*
(Refrain)

*Then entered in those Wise Men three,
full reverently upon the knee,
and offered there, in his presence,
their gold and myrrh and frankincense.*
(Refrain)

ANTHEM

Good Christian Men, Rejoice (arr. K. Strepka)

Handbell Choir

LESSON #9

Christ Is the Light of the World

Isaiah 60:1-3,19

WRAPPING UP

The Light Beyond the Star

Rev. Arun Andrews

Carol #240 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

*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 th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"*

*Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"*

*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 th' incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"*

BENEDICTION

Rev. Arun Andrews

POSTLUDE

Joy to the World (arr. B. Miller)

2 Pianos, 8 Hands

We are grateful to Ken and Susie Puller for serving as readers for this service.



Christmas Eve Services

What Child Is This?

Revive Service
(Praise band led worship)
@ 4:00 PM

Traditional Service
(Choir, bells, anthems)
@ 7:00 PM

Special Christmas Kids' Corner.