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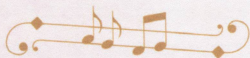
**The Northwest University
Concert and Chamber Choirs**

JOINED BY

**Coro Amici,
the Pilgrims Men's Chorus,
and the Kirkland Civic Orchestra**

William Owen, Conductor

Jo Ann Stremmer and Regina Yen, Pianists



**CHRISTMAS
TRADITIONS**



Welcome

to Northwest University's Christmas Traditions Concert

Good evening, and welcome to the 2019 Christmas Traditions concert performed by the Northwest University's Chamber and Concert Choirs, Coro Amici, the Pilgrims Men's Chorus, and the Kirkland Civic Orchestra. I am delighted that you have come; it is my prayer that this evening's sacred concert is a blessing to you all.

For more than 20 years, it has been a distinct honor to serve Northwest University as a member of the faculty. The Lord has led me to a place that has afforded me the wonderful opportunity to live out my life calling. Simply stated, I believe that my life's mission is to worship God by utilizing meaningful, sacred music in an effort to create transcendent experiences that positively shape our spiritual formation. My understanding of worship is proclaiming and acting upon the narrative of God throughout history. In other words, to quote the late Dr. Robert E. Webber, "Worship does God's story." It really is not about us trying to fit God into our story. Rather, this is about us proclaiming God's story. Moreover, God has invited us to be part of His grand story—the effects of that realization are life-changing. Thus, even though this evening is called a concert, for me it is an evening of celebratory worship as we once again proclaim God's story.

A secondary, yet meaningful byproduct to this evening of celebratory worship is providing our great students an experience that they will remember for the rest of their lives. To be able to lift your voices with a mass choir, a fine orchestra, and a pipe organ in one of the finest concert halls in the country will hopefully provide such an experience. Many in the choir this evening are Northwest University choir alumni (Coro Amici included). Why do they sing? Because they have realized that they are part of God's story and want to once again proclaim it.

Soli Deo Gloria!

Bill Owen, *Conductor*

Lyrics for Tonight

Angels We Have Heard on High

Arr. by Julian Wachner

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. (Glory to God in the highest!)

Shepherds, why this Jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be, which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see, Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

See Him in a manger laid, whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Jesus Child

John Rutter

Have you heard the story that they're telling 'bout Bethlehem?
Have you heard the story of the Jesus Child?
How He came from heaven and was born in a manger bed?
Mary was His virgin mother pure and mild.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, worship the Jesus Child and praise His mother mild.
Glory to God on high the angel hosts are singing:
Listen to the story of the Jesus Child.

Have you heard the story of the poor humble shepherd men,
Sitting on the hillside with their flocks at night?
Suddenly the angel tells them: "Hurry to Bethlehem;
Go and find the Jesus Child, the world's new light."
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, worship the Jesus Child and praise His mother mild.
Glory to God on high the angel hosts are singing:
Listen to the story of the Jesus Child.

Jesus Child, lying at Bethlehem, sleeping safe at Mary's knee,
Save my soul and bring me to paradise,
let me join the angel singing glory to Thee.
Sing alleluia, brothers, sing alleluia, sisters,
worship the Jesus Child and praise His mother mild.
Glory to God on high the angel hosts are singing:
Listen to the story of the Jesus Child.

Have you heard the story of the kings from the Orient,
Following the star that's shining over His head?
Offering their precious gifts of gold, myrrh, and frankincense,
Kneeling with the ox and ass before His bed?
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, worship the Jesus Child and praise His mother mild.
Glory to God on high the angel hosts are singing:
Listen to the story of the Jesus Child.

Brothers, let us celebrate the birth of the Jesus Child,
Sisters, come and welcome Him, the newborn King;
Praise the Lord Who sent Him down from heaven at Christmas time;
Young and old and rich and poor, His praises sing.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, worship the Jesus Child and praise His mother mild.
Glory to God on high the angel hosts are singing:
Listen to the story of the Jesus Child.

Coventry Carol

Arr. by Dale Warland

Lully, lulla, Thou little tiny Child, by, by, lully, lullay.

Thou little tiny Child, by, by, lully, lullay.

Oh, sisters too, how may we do for to preserve this day
this poor Youngling, for Whom we do sing, by, by, lully, lullay.

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

Then woe is me, poor Child, for Thee! And ever morn and day,
for Thy parting neither say nor sing, by, by, lully, lullay.

Lully, lulla, Thou little tiny Child, by, by, lully, lullay.

Thou little tiny Child, by, by, lully, lullay.

Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree

Elizabeth Poston

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit, and always green:
The trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know, but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought:
I missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest a while:
Under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be, with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Arr. by David Willcocks

Audience Sing-Along

God rest ye merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay;
Remember Christ, our Saviour, was born on Christmas day,
To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray.

(Refrain)

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our Heavenly Father, a blessed angel came;
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same:
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by Name.

(Women only)

The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding, in tempest, storm, and wind:
And went to Bethlehem straightway, the blessed Babe to find.

(Men only)

But when to Bethlehem they came whereat this infant lay,
They found Him in a manger, where oxen feed on hay;
His mother Mary kneeling, unto the Lord did pray.

(Everyone)

Now to the Lord sing praises, all you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas all others doth deface.

Ding! Dong! Merrily on High

Arr. by Mark Burrows

Ding, dong merrily on high, in heaven the bells are ringing;
Ding, dong verily the sky, is riv'n with angels singing.
Gloria! Hosanna in the highest!

E'en so here below, below let steeple bells be swungen,
And Io, io, io, by priest and people sungen.
Gloria! Hosanna in the highest!

Pray you dutifully prime, your matin chime, ye ringers;
May you beautifully rhyme, your evetime song, ye singers.
Gloria! Hosanna in the highest!

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood that we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come; sing holy, holy, Lord.

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein, rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon, for Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their all!

Première Symphonie, Opus 14: 5 – Final

Louis Vierne

Jo Ann Stremmler, *Organist*

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo

(Sung in Latin)

Where charity and love are, God is there.
The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God.
And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Arr. by David Willcocks

Audience Sing-Along

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:
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God, begotten, not created:
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 heav'n above;
Glory to God, glory in the highest:
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

-Intermission-

Fum, Fum, Fum

Arr. by Howard Helvey

Jo Ann Stremler and Regina Yen, *Pianists*

On this joyful Christmas day sing fum, fum, fum.

For a blessed Babe was born upon this day at the break of morn;

In a manger poor and lowly lay the Son of God most holy. Fum, fum, fum.

Give thanks to God this holy day; sing fum, fum, fum.

Now we all our voices raise and sing a song of grateful praise.

Celebrate in song and story all the wonders of His glory. Fum, fum, fum.

Birds that live within the forest, fum, fum, fum!

All you fledgling leave behind, and seek the Infant Savior kind.

Build, as well as you are able, downy nest to be His cradle. Fum, fum, fum.

Praise we now the Lord above; sing fum, fum, fum.

For upon this day at morn the wondrous Son of God was born,

In a manger poor and lowly lay the blessed Babe most holy. Fum, fum, fum.

Star Carol

Arr. John Rutter

Sing this night, for a Boy is born in Bethlehem,

Christ our Lord in a lowly manger lies;

Bring your gifts, come and worship at His cradle,

Hurry to Bethlehem and see the Son of Mary!

(Refrain)

See His star shining bright in the sky this Christmas night!

Follow me joyfully; hurry to Bethlehem and see the Son of Mary.

Angels bright, come from heaven's highest glory,

Bear the news with its message of good cheer:

"Sing, rejoice, for a King is come to save us,

Hurry to Bethlehem and see the Son of Mary!"

See, He lies in His mother's tender keeping;

Jesus Christ in her loving arms asleep.

Shepherds poor, come to worship and adore Him,

Offer their humble gifts before the Son of Mary.

Let us all pay our homage at the manger,

Sing His praise on this joyful Christmas night;

Christ is come, bringing promise of salvation;

Hurry to Bethlehem and see the Son of Mary!

The First Nowell

Arr. by Mack Willberg

The first Nowell 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 winters night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, 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.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

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.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

Still, Still, Still

Arr. by René Clausen

Still, still, still, one can hear the falling snow.
For all is hushed, the world is sleeping, holy star its vigil keeping.
Still, still, still, one can hear the falling snow.

Dream, dream, dream, of the joyous day to come.
While guardian angels without number, watch You as You sweetly slumber.
Dream, dream, dream, of the joyous day to come.

Prelude to Hansel and Gretel

Engelbert Humperdinck

Kirkland Civic Orchestra - Mr. James Truher, *Music Director*

Sleigh Ride

Leroy Anderson

Kirkland Civic Orchestra - Mr. James Truher, *Music Director*

On Christmas Night

Arr. by Paul Manz

On Christmas night all Christians sing, to hear the news the angels bring;
On Christmas night all Christians sing, to hear the news the angels bring;
News of great joy, news of great mirth, news of our merciful King's birth.

Then why should we on earth be sad, since our Redeemer made us glad;
Then why should we on earth be sad, since our Redeemer made us glad;
When from our sin He set us free, all for to gain our liberty?

All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night;
All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night;
"Glory to God in highest heaven; peace on earth and goodwill. Amen."

How Great Our Joy

Arr. by John Rutter

Audience Sing-Along

While by the sheep we watched at night,
Glad tidings brought an angel bright.

(Refrain)

How great our joy! Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!
Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

There shall be born, so he did say,
In Bethlehem a Child today.

There shall the Child lie in a stall,
This Child who shall redeem us all.

This gift of God we'll cherish well,
That ever joy our hearts shall fill.

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

Arr. by John Rutter

We wish you a Merry Christmas, we wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin,
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Now bring us some figgy pudding, now bring us some figgy pudding,
Now bring us some figgy pudding, and bring some out here.
Good tidings we bring to you in your kin,
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

For we all like figgy pudding, for we all like figgy pudding,
For we all like figgy pudding, so bring some out here.
Good tidings we bring to you in your kin,
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

And we won't go until we've got some, we won't go until we've got some,
And we won't go until we've got some, so bring some out here.
Good tidings we bring to you in your kin,
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

We wish you a Merry Christmas, we wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year!

The Hallelujah Chorus

George Frederic Handel

Hallelujah!
For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
Hallelujah!

The Kingdom of this world,
Is become the Kingdom of our Lord,
And of His Christ.

And He shall reign forever and ever.
King of Kings and Lord of Lords.
Hallelujah!



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The Pilgrims Men's Chorus

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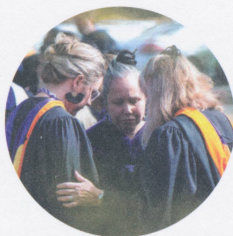
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