

CH Festival of
Nine Lessons and Carols

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ADVENT 2021 HASTINGS COLLEGE HIS FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS is derived from a variety of sources in our long tradition of musical Christmas celebrations. Ensemble singing at Hastings College began under Professor John Rees, a Welsh musician who served the college as music director for 35 years from its founding in 1882. Singers from the college formed the nucleus of an active choral scene in Hastings. The first well-documented performance in our continuing series of oratorios, cantatas, and masterworks presented by various college-community choral organizations was presented in 1903. In 1912 Dr. Hayes M. Fuhr began his 49-year tenure as head of the Conservatory of Music at Hastings College. Under his five decades of guidance, The Hastings College Choir earned nationwide recognition as innovators in the establishment of collegiate choral singing in America.

In 1928 the college choir served as the core of a 350-voice civic chorus to present the first in a long standing series of performances of Handel's *Messiah* under Dr. Fuhr's direction, including a 1942 production to mark the two-hundredth anniversary of the work's initial performance in Dublin, Ireland. Continuing the tradition, one of Fuhr's students, Millard Cates, conducted a performance in 1954 and an additional four performances when he returned to chair the Department of Music in the 1960s, 70s, and 80s.

In 1933 the choir's traditional Yuletide Service of sacred music, "selected and arranged from the masters of the 17th and 18th centuries," was featured in the widely-circulated music magazine, *The Etude*, and inspired similar holiday choral programs around the country. One year later, in fact, the Dean of Kings College Chapel, Cambridge devised an Advent Carol Service to complement a Christmas Eve service of Lessons and Carols that had begun to evolve as early as 1880.

Our Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, in its current incarnation, returned to Hastings College in the last decades of the 20th century to join an annual sequence of musical "Christmas Cards to the Community."

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N THE BLEAK MIDWINTER, frosty wind made moan, Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign. In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim, worship night and day, Breastful of milk, and a mangerful of hay; Enough for Him, whom angels fall before, The ox and ass and camel which adore.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there, Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air; But His mother only, in her maiden bliss, Worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part; Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Instrumental Prelude

HASTINGS COLLEGE BAND

COVENTRY CAROL/JESU JOY OF MAN'S DESIRING

arr. CALVIN CUSTER

A WINTER'S CAROL

MARK WILLIAMS

O MAGNUM MYSTERIUM

MORTEN LAURIDSEN / ARR. H. ROBERT REYNOLDS

HASTINGS COLLEGE HANDBELL CHOIR

ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

HENRY JOHN GAUNTLETT / arr. CATHY MOKLEBUST

CHANGE RING ON "DIVINUM MYSTERIUM"

FRED GRAMANN

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL"

As the bell tolls, those who are able please stand so that all may be silent when the hymn starts. The congregation joins the choir in signing the last three verses of the hymn. (Page 88 in hymnal.)

CHOIR: Veni, veni, Emmanuel

Captivum solve Israel, Qui gemit in exilio, Privatus Dei filio:

Gaude! Gaude! Emmanuel Nascetur pro te Israel.

ALL: O Come, O come, Emmanuel,

And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

ALL: O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer

Our spirits by Thine advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night And death's dark shadows put to flight:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

ALL: O come, Desire of nations, bind

All peoples in one heart and mind; Bid envy, strife, and discord cease;

Fill the whole word with heaven's peace:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Adapt. THOMAS HELMORE Accomp. JOHN WEAVER The Presbyterian Hymnal

Invitation I Lord's Prayer I Blessing

* Please remain standing as you are able.

Invitation

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

 $\ \ \, \ \ \, \ \ \, \ \ \,$ The congregation sits.



"HEREFORDSHIRE CAROL"

This is the truth sent from above, The truth of God, the God of love, Therefore don't turn me from your door, But hearken all both rich and poor.

The first thing which I do relate, Is that God did man create, The next thing which to you I'll tell, Woman was made with man to dwell.

Then after this, 'twas God's own choice, To place them both in Paradise, There to remain from evil free, Except they ate of such a tree.

And they did eat, which was a sin, And thus their ruin did begin, Ruined themselves, both you and me, And all of their posterity.

Thus we were heirs to endless woes, 'Till God the Lord did interpose And so a promise soon did run, That he would redeem by his son!

ENGLISH FOLK TUNE R.V. WILLIAMS MOUNTFORD / BEEDE





God announces the punishment for Adam and Eve's rebellion. GENESIS 3:8-13, 17B-18

HEN ADAM AND EVE heard the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?" Adam answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid myself." And God said, "who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat?" Adam said, "The woman you put here with me -- she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I did eat." The Lord God said to him, "Cursed is the ground because of you. By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return." And the Lord God banished Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden.



"Adam Lay Ybounden"

Adam lay ybounden; Ybounden in a bond; Four thousand winter Thought he not too long.

And all was for an apple, An apple that he took, As clerkes finden written In their book.

Ne had the apple taken been, The apple taken been, Ne had never Our Lady Abeen hevene queen.

Blessed be the time The apple taken was; Therefore we moun singen: Deo Gratias!

15TH C. ANONYMOUS DOUGLAS J. KINGSLEY





God promises faithful Abraham that in his descendants all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.

GENESIS 22:9B-11A, 16-18

BRAHAM built an altar, and laid the wood in order, and bound Issac his son, and laid him on the altar. Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But the angel of the Lord called out to him from heaven, "Do not lay a hand on the boy." "I swear by Myself," declares the Lord, "that because you have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore. And, because you have obeyed My voice, through your descendants shall all the nations of the earth be blessed."



"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

Angels, from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth; Ye who sang creation's story, Now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Come and worship, Come and worship Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, Watching o'er your flocks by night, God with man is now residing, Yonder shines the infant light:

Come and worship, Come and worship Worship Christ, the newborn King. Sages, leave your contemplations, Brighter visions beam afar; Seek the great Desire of nations, Ye have seen his natal star:

Come and worship, Come and worship Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Saints before the altar bending, Watching long in hope and fear, Suddenly the Lord, descending, In his temple shall appear.

Come and worship, Come and worship Worship Christ, the newborn King.

> J. MONTGOMERY MALCOM ARCHER





The prophet Isaiah foretells the coming of a Savior. ISAIAH 9, 11, AND 60

¬OR, BEHOLD, darkness shall cover the earth, a great darkness over the people; but the Lord shall arise upon you, and the glory of the Lord shall be seen over you. And the nations shall come to your light, and rulers to the brightness of your dawning. There shall come forth a Shoot from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of its roots. The spirit of the Lord will rest upon that Branch -the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the feast of the Lord. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. Arise, shine; for your light is come, and the glory of the lord is Risen upon you.



Instrumental Meditation

"SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS COME"

Arr. SANDRA EITHUN





The prophet Micah foretells the glory of humble Bethlehem, birthplace of a ruler who will usher in a reign of peace and justice. MICAH 5:2-5A

But YOU, O Bethlehem, though you are small among the cities of Judah, out of you will come one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from old, from ancient times. He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord His God. And His people will live securely, for then His greatness will reach to the ends of the Earth. And He will be their peace.



"O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM"

Sung by choir and congregation, those who are able please stand. (Page 121 in hymnal.)

O 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 streets shineth The everlasting light; The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.

How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will
receive Him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!

> PHILLIPS BROOKS LEWIS HENRY REDNER The Presybterian Hymnal

❖ The congregation sits.





The angel Gabriel announces to Mary that she will give birth to God's promised One.

LUKE 1:26-35, 38

In THE SIXTH MONTH, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man whose name was Joseph, a descendant of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came to her and said, "Hail, you who are highly favored, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women." And when she saw the angel, Mary was greatly troubled at these words, and wondered what manner of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, "Fear not, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will be with child and give birth to a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His ancestor David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will never end."



"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 flow'ret 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 men a Saviour When half-spent was the night. O Saviour, child of Mary Who felt our human woe, O Saviour King of Glory Who dost our weakness know,

Bring us at length, we pray, To the bright courts of Heaven, And to the endless day.

Amen.

MICHAEL PRAETORIUS THEODORE BAKER Arr. ROY ZIMMERMAN





*Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.*LUKE 2:1-7

ND IT CAME TO PASS in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, everyone to their own cities. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth, in Galilee to Judea, into Bethlehem, the city of David, because he belonged to the house and lineage of David. He went to be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, who was great with child. And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.



"AWAY IN A MANGER"

Away in a manger, No crib for His bed The little Lord Jesus Laid down His sweet head.

The stars in the bright sky Looked down where He lay The little Lord Jesus Asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, The poor Baby wakes. But little Lord Jesus No crying He makes.

I love Thee, Lord Jesus Look down from the sky And stay by my side, Until 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 take us to heaven To live with Thee there.

> UNKNOWN Arr. OLA GJEILO





The shepherds go to see the Savior of the world lying in a manger. LUKE 2:8-16

ND THERE WERE in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said to them: "Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For to you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign for you: You will find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward all whom God favors." As the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us." And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.



RECITATIVE FOR SOPRANO

There were shepherds abiding in the field

And lo! the angel of the Lord came upon them

And the angel said unto them

And suddenly there was with the angel

Chorus: Glory to God in the highest.

And peace on Earth. Goodwill towards men.

> LUKE 2:8-11, 13-14 MESSIAH, G.F. HANDEL





The magi follow a star to find the child Jesus. MATTHEW 2:1-6, 9-11

OW WHEN JESUS WAS BORN in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of Herod the king, behold, there came magi from the East to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the one who has been born King of the Jews? We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had gathered all the chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. And they said to him, "In Bethlehem in Judea, for this is what the prophet has written: 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a Ruler who will be the shepherd of My people Israel." And lo, the star they had seen in the East went before them, until it came and stood over the place where the Child was. And when they had come into the house, they saw the Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshipped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented Him with gifts of gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.



"WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE"

Sung by choir and congregation, those who are able please stand. (Page 151 in hymnal.)

We Three Kings of Orient Are, Bearing gifts we traverse afar, Field and fountain, Moor and mountain, Following yonder star

Refrain:

O star of wonder, star of night Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him again, King forever, ceasing never Over us all to reign.

Refrain

Frankincense to offer have I: Incense owns a Deity night; Prayer and praising We are raising, Worshipping God Most High.

Refrain

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume Breathes a life of gathering gloom; Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying, Sealed in the stone cold tomb.

Refrain

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice; Alleluia, alleluia Sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain

JOHN HENRY HOPKINS The Presbyterian Hymnal

The congregation sits.





John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation. JOHN 1:1-9, 14A

In THE BEGINNING was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The Word was with God at the beginning and all things came into being through the Word; not one thing came into being without the Word. What has come into being in the Word was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never overcome it. There was someone sent from God, whose name was John, who came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through John. John himself was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light which enlightens everyone was even then coming into the world. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Thanks be to God. Amen.



"JOY TO THE WORLD"

Sung by choir and congregation, those who are able please stand. (Page 134 in hymnal.)

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.

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. No more let sings and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found Far as, far as the curse is found.

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.

> ISSAC WATTS G.F. HANDEL Arr. LOWELL MASON The Presbyterian Hymnal



Prayer and Benediction

 $\ \ \, \ \ \,$ Those who are able, please stand.

CHAPLAIN: Prayer

All: Amen

CHAPLAIN: Benediction

All: Amen.

❖ Please be seated as we momentarily reset the stage for our closing performance.

RUTTER GLORIA

Glória in excélsis Deo et in terra pax homínibus bonae voluntátis. Laudámus te, benedícimus te, adorámus te, glorificámus te, grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam,

Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis,
Deus Pater omnípotens.
Dómine Fili Unigénite, Iesu
Christe,
Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius
Patris,
qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére
nobis;
qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe
deprecatiónem nostram.
Qui sedes ad déxteram Patris,
miserére nobis.

Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spíritu: in glória Dei Patris. Amen. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten
Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of
the Father,
you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the
world, receive our prayer.
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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