A MUSICAL CEleBRATION OF THE SEASON

CHRISTMAS AT BETHANY

WORKS FOR CHOIRS AND INSTRUMENTS

WEDNESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5-9, 2012, AT 4 PM DAILY

TRINITY CHAPEL

Presented by the Music Department of Bethany Lutheran College
We request that no flash photographs be taken during the concert. Kindly hold your applause until the end of the concert.

All hymns are printed in the back of the worship folder and are taken from the Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary (ELH).

A Charles Dickens Christmas; Three English Carols
Setting by W. Ryden
Annalise Tecken, Elisabeth Urtel, student conductors

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645
J.S. Bach

Joseph, lieber Joseph mein
J. Walter

From Heaven Above
J.S. Bach, arr. D. Malin

Christmas in Other Lands
Clarence E. Hurrell

Angels from the Realms of Glory
R.W. Smith

Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel ..................................ELH 110: 1, 4-7 (pg. 15) setting, A. Lo

1. Choir: Veni, veni Emanuel! Captivum solve Israel!
Qui gemit in exilio, Privatus Dei Filio.
Gaude, gaude, Emanuel Nascetur pro te, Israel.

(All may stand to sing.)

4. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse’s stem; From ev’ry foe deliver them
That trust Thy mighty pow’r to save, And give them vict’ry o’er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

5. O come, Thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heav’nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery.
Rejoice!...

6. 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!...

7. O come, Desire of Nations, bind All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace.
Rejoice!...

The Exhortation and Versicles

Liturgist: Dear friends in Christ! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to give Him thanks and praise for the gift of His Son, our meek and righteous King,
who, by His death became our Savior from sin and eternal death. By His Holy Spirit may He enlighten, govern and direct us that we may ever remain faithful to this righteous King and Savior, and not be offended by His humble form and despised Word, but, firmly believing in Him, obtain eternal salvation and the fullness of joy in heaven. To this end may God the Father grant us His grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Liturgist: Daughter of Zion, surely your salvation is coming.
All: Rejoice, Daughter of Jerusalem!
The Lord will cause His glorious voice to be heard,
And you shall have gladness of heart.
Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock;
Stir up Your strength and come and save us!
Unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given.
Sing to the Lord a new song
For He has done marvelous things!

(Everyone may be seated)

I Saw Three Ships

Hymn: Of The Father’s Love Begotten ..........................................ELH 181:1, 3, 4, 5, 7 (pg. 18)

1. Of the Father’s love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the Source, the Ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.

2. He is found in human fashion
Death and sorrow here to know
That the race of Adam’s children,
Doomed by Law to endless woe,
May not henceforth die and perish
In the depths of hell below,
Evermore and evermore.

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That the race of Adam’s children,
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In the depths of hell below,
Evermore and evermore.

4. Oh, that birth forever blessed
When the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bore the Savior of our race,
And the Babe, the world’s Redeemer,
First revealed His sacred face
Evermore and evermore.

5. O ye heights of heaven, adore Him;
Angel hosts, His praises sing;
Powers, dominions, bow before Him
And extol our God and King.
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Every voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.
7. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,  
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee  
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
And unending praises be,  
Honor, glory, and dominion,  
And eternal victory  
Evermore and evermore.

The Icy December  
Traditional Catalan Carol, arr. M. Hayes 2011

Cold December’s winds were stilled in the month of snowing.  
As the world fell dark one night, springtime’s Hope was growing.  
Then one rose tree blossomed new, one sweet Flower on it grew.  
D’una rosa bella, Fecunda y poncella. Oh the beautiful rose perfuming the air.  
When the darkness fell that night, bringing sweet reposing,  
All the land was hid from sight, sleep our eyes was closing.  
Suddenly, there came a gleam from the sky, the wondrous beam.  
D’una bella aurore, que el cel enamora. On a beautiful dawn sky, Love!  
Now the month of May has come and a fragrant Lily,  
Flower from the heart of God, smelling, oh so sweetly.  
To the people everywhere, joy unbounded fills the air.  
Tota sa dulcara, i olor, amb ventura. Purest Love expressing Heaven’s perfect blessing.

All My Heart This Night Rejoices  
arr. V. Shields, 2000

My heart rejoices on this holy night; the star burns brightly with its brilliant light.  
You sent the promised one to us and soon the earth will know peace.  
My heart rejoices at the holy birth; For love has come to earth.  
All my heart this night rejoices as I hear, far and near, sweetest angel voices.  
Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo, Et in terra pax.  
“Christ is born” their choirs are singing, Till the air everywhere now with joy is ringing.  
Hark! A voice from yonder manger, soft and sweet doth entreat “Flee from woe and danger.  
You are freed from all that grieves you, all you need I will give.”  
My heart rejoices on this holy night; My heart still yearns for peace.  
Come then, let us hasten yonder; Here let all, great and small,  
kneel in awe and wonder.  
Love him who with love is yearning on this holy night!  
Hail the star that from far bright with hope is burning.  
P. Gerhardt 1607-1676, tr. C. Winkworth
Lesson: Romans 5:1-6

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

O Magnum Mysterium

G. Forbes, b. 1957

O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, jacentem in praesepio; O beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Christum. Alleluia!

O great mystery and wonderful sacrament, that the animals should see the new-born Lord lying in a manger. Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy to bear Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

Matins for Christmas Day, Responsory

Your Little Ones, Dear Lord, Are We


Your little ones, dear Lord, are we and come your lowly bed to see; Enlighten every soul and mind that we the way to you may find. With songs we hasten you to greet and humbly fall before your feet. Oh, blessed hour, oh, sweetest night that gave you birth, our souls’ delight. Oh, draw us wholly to you, Lord, and to us all your grace accord; True faith and love to us impart that we may hold you in our heart. Until at last we too proclaim, with all your saints, your glorious name; In paradise our songs renew, and praise you as the angels do.

H A. Brorson 1694-1764, tr. H. R. K. Spaeth, 1845-1925

Hymn: Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men ........................................... ELH 148:1, 2, 6-8 (pg. 16)

1. Praise God the Lord, ye sons of men, Before His highest throne; Today He opens heaven again And gives us His own Son, And gives us His own Son.

2. He leaves His heavenly Father’s throne, Is born an infant small, And in a manger, poor and lone, Lies in a humble stall.

6. A wondrous change which He doth make! He takes our flesh and blood, And He conceals for sinners’ sake His majesty of God.
7. He serves that I a lord may be; A great exchange indeed!
Could Jesus' love do more for me To help me in my need?

8. For us He opens wide the door Of Paradise today;
The angel guards the gate no more, To God our thanks we pay.

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

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:
When from our sin He set us free, All for to gain our liberty.

When sin departs before your grace, Then life and health come in its place;
Heaven and earth with joy may sing, All for to see the newborn King.

All out of darkness we have light Which made the angels sing this night:
"Glory to God and peace to all, Now and forevermore. Amen."

Lesson: Galatians 4: 1-6
Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all, but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!” Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Hymn: I Stand Beside Thy Manger Here ............................................ELH 129:1, 2, 3, 5 (pg. 20)

1. I stand beside Thy manger here, O Thou, my Life from heaven.
I come and bring Thee, Savior dear, What Thou to me hast given.
Take it, it is my mind and heart, My soul and strength take ev’ry part
And let it give Thee pleasure.
2. Thy love, O Lord, before my birth Thou didst elect to show me,  
And for my sake didst come to earth Before I e'er did know Thee.  
Yea, long before Thy gracious hand Created me, Thy grace had planned  
To make Thee mine forever.

3. I lay in death’s deep, dreary night, Thou wert my Sun, my Treasure,  
The Sun that brought me radiant light, Life, joys, and purest pleasure.  
O precious Sun, Thou didst impart The light of faith within my heart.  
What wondrous beams Thou sendest!

5. This only, Lord, I humbly pray, O grant it, dearest Savior,  
That Thou wouldst dwell in me this day And here abide forever.  
So let me be Thy cradle blest. Come! Come, within my heart to rest,  
My precious Joy and Treasure!

Here is the Little Door

Here is the little door, lift up the latch, oh lift!  
We need not wander more, but enter with our gift; Our gift of finest gold.  
Gold that was never bought or sold;  
Myrrh to be strewn about his bed;  
Incense in clouds about His head;  
All for the child that stirs not in His sleep, But holy slumber hold with ass and sheep.

Bend low about His bed, For each He has a gift;  
See how His eyes awake, Lift up your hands, O lift!  
For gold, He gives a keen-edged sword. (Defend with it thy little Lord!)  
For incense, smoke of battle red,  
Myrrh for the honored happy dead;  
Gifts for His children, terrible and sweet;  
Touched by such tiny hands, and Oh such tiny feet.  

The First Noel

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.

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.
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.  
Noel! Born is the King of Israel.

Hymn: As With Gladness, Men of Old ............................................... ELH 168:1, 2, 4, 5 (pg. 17)

1. As with gladness, men of old  
   Did the guiding star behold  
   As with joy they hailed its light  
   Leading onward, beaming bright  
   So, most glorious Lord, may we  
   Evermore be led by Thee.

2. As with joyful steps they sped  
   To that lowly manger bed  
   There to bend the knee before  
   Him Whom Heaven and earth adore;  
   So may we with willing feet  
   Ever seek Thy mercy seat.

3. Holy Jesus, every day  
   Keep us in the narrow way;  
   And, when earthly things are past,  
   Bring our ransomed souls at last  
   Where they need no star to guide,  
   Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

4. In the heavenly country bright,  
   Need they no created light;  
   Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,  
   Thou its Sun which goes not down;  
   There forever may we sing  
   Alleluias to our King!

Fantasia on “Greensleeves”  
R. Vaughan Williams, arr. R. Greaves

Hymn: Hark, the Herald Angels Sing ..................................................... ELH 125 (pg. 22)
(all may stand to sing)

1. Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn 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 newborn King!”

2. Christ, by highest Heav’n 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 as Man with man to dwell, Jesus our Immanuel.  
   Hark, the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King.

3. Hail, the heav’nly Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
   Light and life to all He brings, Ris’n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His throne on high, Born that man no more may die.
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.
Hark, the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King.

4. Come, Desire of nations, come, Fix in us Thy humble home;
Rise, the woman's conqu'ring Seed, Bruise in us the serpent's head.
Adam's likeness, Lord, efface, Print Thine image in its place:
O, to all Thyself impart, Formed in each believing heart.
Hark, the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King.

See, See the Word is Incarnate  

See, see the Word is incarnate; God is made man in the womb of a Virgin.
Shepherds rejoice, wise men adore and angels sing
“Glory be to God on high: peace on earth, good will towards men.”

The law is canceled,
Jews and Gentiles all converted by the preaching of glad tidings of salvation.
The blind have sight and cripples have their motion;
diseases cured, the dead are raised, and miracles are wrought.
Let us welcome such a guest with Hosanna.

The Paschal Lamb is offered, Christ Jesus made a sacrifice for sin.
The earth quakes, the sun is darkened, the powers of hell are shaken;
and lo, he is risen up in victory.
Sing Alleluia.

See, O see the fresh wounds, the gored blood,
the prick of thorns, the print of nails.
And in the sight of multitudes a glorious ascension.

Where now he sits on God's right hand
Where all the choir of heaven all jointly sing:
Glory be to the Lamb that sitteth on the throne.
Let us continue our wonted note with Hosanna:
Blessed be He that cometh in the Name of the Lord;
with Alleluia, we triumph in victory,
The serpent's head bruised, Christ's kingdom exalted,
And heaven laid open to sinners. Amen.

O. Gibbons 1583-1625

G. Goodman, 1583(?)-1656
Achieved is the Glorious Work

Achieved is the glorious work.
Our song let be the praise of God!
He sole on high exalted reigns, Hallelujah.
Glory to His name forever. Hallelujah!

Hymn: Angels from the Realms of Glory ............................................................... ELH 114:1 (pg. 23)

1. 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.

Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11
Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Et Incarnatus Est

Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine.
And was incarnate By the Holy Spirit Of the Virgin Mary.

Hymn: On Mary, Virgin Undefiled ............................................................... ELH 268:1, 4 (pg. 21)

1. On Mary, Virgin undefiled, Did God bestow His favor;
She bore a Son, the spotless Child, To Him be praise forever!
He hath us all from sin set free;
Our stay be He, And rest eternal give us!

4. O Root of Jesse, David's Son, And Jacob's Star of heaven!
Thou art the Christ, the blessed One; Thy name all praise be given:
By grace Thou hast redeemed us all
From Adam's fall, And Thou wilt guide and tend us.
Lesson: Luke 2: 8-16

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock 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 unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall 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, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

He Is Born

He is born, the divine Christ child. Play the musette and the bagpipe merrily.
He is born, the divine Christ child. Sing we all of the Savior mild.
Through long ages of the past, Prophets long have foretold his coming;
Through long ages of the past, Now the time has come at last.
Oh, how lovely, oh, how pure. Is this perfect child of heaven.
Oh, how lovely, oh, how pure, Gracious gift to humankind.
Jesus, Lord of all the world, Coming as a child among us,
Jesus, Lord of all the world, Grant to us Thy heav’nly peace.

Angels We Have Heard on High............................................................................. ELH 116 (pg. 24)
(all may stand to sing)

1. 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!

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

3. 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!

4. See Within a manger laid,
Jesus, Lord of heav’n and earth,
Lend your voices, lend your aid,
To proclaim the Savior’s birth.
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Come, All Ye Shepherds

Bohemian Carol, arr. J. A. Hall, 2008

(an offering will be received)

Toccata #2

K. McChesney, 2006

Hymn: Joy to the World

ELH 138 (pg. 26)

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.

2. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
   Let men their songs employ,
   While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
   Repeat the sounding joy.

Lamb of God

N. Decius, 1485-1546

Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer.
   Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
   All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o’er us:
   Have mercy on us, O Jesus.

Dona nobis pacem

J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

Dona nobis pacem.
   Grant us peace.

Hymn: Crown Him With Many Crowns

ELH 55 (pg. 27)

1. Crown Him with many crowns
   The Lamb upon His throne;
   Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns
   All music but its own.
   Awake, my soul, and sing
   Of Him who died for thee
   And hail Him as thy matchless King
   Through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Virgin’s Son,
   The God incarnate born,
   Whose arm those crimson trophies won
   Which now His brow adorn;
   Fruit of the mystic rose,
   As of that rose the stem;
   The root whence mercy ever flows,
   The Babe of Bethlehem.
3. Crown Him the Lord of Love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wondering eye
At mysteries so bright!

(All may stand to sing)
4. Crown Him the Lord of Life
Who triumphed o’er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

Prayer and Blessing
Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks to You that of Your mercy and compassion
You caused Your Son to become incarnate, and through Him redeemed us from sin and
everlasting death: We beseech You, enlighten our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that we may ever
be thankful for such grace, and comfort ourselves thereby in all tribulation and temptation,
and at last obtain eternal salvation; through the same, Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our
Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.
All: Amen.
   Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
   The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
   And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
Amen.

Alleluia! O Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly .......... ELH 163:1-4, with twelve-fold Alleluia (pg. 28)
setting, A. Lo

Choir: Alleluia!

1. All: O rejoice, ye Christians, loudly, For our joy hath now begun;
Wondrous things our God hath done.
Tell abroad His goodness proudly, Who our race hath honored thus,
That He deigns to dwell with us.
Joy, O joy, beyond all gladness, Christ hath done away with sadness!
Hence, all sorrow and repining, for the Sun of Grace is shining!

2. See, my soul, thy Savior chooses Weakness here and poverty;
In such love He comes to thee.
Nor the manger bed refuses, All He suffers for thy good
To redeem thee by His blood.
Joy, O joy…
3. Lord, how shall I thank Thee rightly? I acknowledge that by Thee I am saved eternally. Let me not forget it lightly But to Thee at all times cleave, And my heart true peace receive. Joy, O joy, beyond all gladness, Christ hath done away with sadness! Hence, all sorrow and repining, for the Sun of Grace is shining!

4. Jesus, guard and guide Thy members; Fill Thy brethren with Thy grace; Hear their prayers in ev’ry place. Brighten now faith’s glowing embers; Grant all Christians, far and near, Holy peace, and godly cheer! Joy, O joy…

Choir: Alleluia!

Liturgists and Lectors

Rev. Don Moldstad
Rev. Mark Harstad
Rev. Erling Teigen

Accompanists

Organ: Laura Matzke
Piano: Samuel Johnson, Elisabeth Urtel, Marta Krause, Peter Krause, Mark Gullixson

All are invited to the Student Art Show in the Gallery of the S.C. Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center.
5. O come, Thy Key of David, come,
   And open wide our heav’nly home;
   Make safe the way that leads on high,
   And close the path to misery.
   Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
   Shall come to thee, O Israel.

6. 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.

7. O come, Desire of nations, bind
   All peoples in one heart and mind;
   Bid Thou our sad divisions cease,
   And be Thyself our King of Peace.
   Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
   Shall come to thee, O Israel.
1. Praise God the Lord, ye sons of men, Before His
2. He leaves His heav’n-ly Father’s throne, Is born an

high-est throne; Today He o-pens heav’n a-gain And
Infant small, And in a manger, poor and lone, Lies

6. A wondrous change which He does make!
He takes our flesh and blood,
And He conceals for sinners’ sake
His majesty of God,

7. He serves that I a lord may be;
A great exchange indeed!
Could Jesus’ love do more for me
To help me in my need,
To help me in my need?

8. For us He opens wide the door
Of paradise today;
The angel guards the gate no more.
To God our thanks we pay,
To God our thanks we pay.
1. As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold;
2. As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
4. Holy Jesus, every day Keep us in the narrow way;

As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beam-ing bright;
There to bend the knee before Thee, whom heav’n and earth adore,
And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last

So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led by Thee.
So may we with willing feet Ever seek Thy mercy seat.
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

5. In the heav’nly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
Thou its Sun which goes not down.
There forever may we sing
Alleluias to our King!
Corde natus ex parentis
A. C. Prudentius, 348-c. 413
Tr. J. M. Neale, 1818-66, sts. 1, 3-7, alt.;
The New Oxford Book of Carols, 1993, st. 2

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM
Plainsong melody, 13th cent.
Setting: Bruce Neswick, b. 1956

1. Of the Father's love begotten Ere the worlds began to be, He is Alpha and Omega,
here to know That the race of Adam's children, full of grace, By the Holy Ghost conceiving,

2. He the Source, the Ending He, Of the things that are, that have been, And that future
die and perish In the depths of world's Redeemer, First revealed His

3. He is found in human fashion Death and sorrow

4. Oh that birth forever blessed, When the Virgin,
years shall see, \textit{Evermore and evermore.}

hell below, \textit{Evermore and evermore.}

sacred face \textit{Evermore and evermore.}

5. O ye heights of heav’n, adore Him;
   Angel hosts, His praises sing;
   Pow’rs, dominions, bow before Him
   And extol our God and King.
   Let no tongue on earth be silent,
   Ev’ry voice in concert ring Evermore and evermore.

7. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
   And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
   Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
   And unending praises be,
   Honor, glory, and dominion,
   And eternal victory Evermore and evermore.
129  I Stand Beside Thy Manger Here

1. I stand beside Thy manger here, O
2. Thy love, O Lord, before my birth Thou
3. I lay in death's deep, dreary night, Thou

Thou, my Life from heaven. I come and bring Thee,
didst elect to show me, And for my sake didst
wert my Sun, my Treasure, The Sun that brought me

Savior dear, What Thou to me hast given. Take
come to earth Before I e'er did know Thee. Yea,
radiant light, Life, joys, and purest pleasure. O

it, it is my mind and heart, My soul and strength take
long before Thy gracious hand Created me, Thy
precious Sun, Thou didst impart The light of faith with-

every part And let it give Thee pleasure.

grace had planned To make Thee mine forever.
in my heart. What wondrous beams Thou sendest!
5. This only, Lord, I humbly pray,  
O grant it, dearest Savior,  
That Thou wouldst dwell in me this day  
And here abide forever.  
So let me be Thy cradle blest.  
Come! Come, within my heart to rest,  
My precious Joy and Treasure!

268  On Mary, Virgin Undeclared

Maria, hun er en Jomfru reen  
Den danske Psalmebog, 1569  
Tr. C. Døving, 1867-1937

MARIA, HUN ER EN JOMFRU REEN  
J. C. Gebauer, 1808-84

1. On Mary, Virgin undeclared, Did God bestow His favor;  
She bore a Son, the spotless Child, To Him be heaven!  
Thou art the Christ, the blessed One; Thy name all praise forever! He hath us all from sin set free;  
Our stay be He, And rest eternal give us!  
From Adam's fall, And Thou wilt guide and tend us.

4. O Root of Jesse, David's Son, And Jacob's Star of praise be given: By grace Thou hast redeemed us all
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

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MENDELSSOHN
F. Mendelssohn, 1809-47

C. Wesley, 1707-88, alt.

1. Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glo-ry to the new-born King!
2. Christ, by high-est heav’n ad-ored, Christ, the ev-er last-ing Lord,
3. Hail, the heav’n-ly Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righ-teous-ness!
4. Come, De-sire of Na-tions, come, Fix in us Thy hum-ble home;

Peace on earth, and mer-cy mild, God and sin-ners re-con-ciled!”
Late in time be-hold Him come, Off-spring of a vir-gin’s womb.
Light and life to all He brings, Ris’n with heal-ing in His wings.
Rise, the wo-man’s con-qu’ring Seed, Bruise in us the ser-pent’s head.

Joy-ful, all ye na-tions rise, Join the tri-umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God-head see, Hail th’ in-car-nate De-ity!
Mild, He leaves His throne on high, Born that man no more may die;
Ad-am’s like-ness, Lord, ef-face; Print Thine im-age in its place;

With th’an-gel-ic host pro-claim, “Christ is born in Beth-le-hem!”
Pleased as Man with man to dwell; Je-sus, our Im-man-u-el!
Born to raise the sons of earth; Born to give them sec-ond birth,
O to all Thy-self im-part, Formed in each be- liev-ing heart.
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the new-born King!”

Angels from the Realms of Glory  114

J. Montgomery, 1771-1854, abr.

1. 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 new-born King.
Angels We Have Heard on High

1. Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o’er the plains,
   And the mountains in reply, strains prolong?
   Come, adore on bended knee, angels sing;
   Lend your voices, lend your aid, heav’n and earth,

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
   What the glad some tidings be, an - gels sing;
   Come, adore on bended knee, heav’n and earth,
   Lend your voices, lend your aid, heav’n and earth,

3. Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the Gospel joyous strains prolong?
   Which inspire your heavenly song? Which in - spire your heav’n - ly song?
   Christ the Lord, the new - born King. Christ the Lord, the new - born King.
   To proclaim the Savior’s birth! To proclaim the Savior’s birth!

4. See, within a manager laid, Jesus, Lord of
   o’er the plains, And the mountains in reply, strains prolong?
   Come, adore on bended knee, angels sing;
   Lend your voices, lend your aid, heav’n and earth,

Glory to God in highest heaven, Ech - oing their joy - ous strains.
Which inspire your heavenly song? Christ the Lord, the new - born King.
To proclaim the Savior’s birth! Glory to God in highest heaven.

Les anges dans nos campagnes
Tr. J. Chadwick, 1813-82, alt.

French Carol, c. 1840
Setting: E. S. Barnes, 1887-1958

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Joy to the World
C M with Repeat

I. Watts, 1674-1748

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare Him
come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare Him

2. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
reigns! Let men their songs employ, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow Nor thorns in nations prove The glories of His righteous
grow Nor thorns in nations prove The glories of His righteous

4. He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the room And heavens and nature sing, And heavens and nature
He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the room And heavens and nature sing, And heavens and nature

Let the Lord’s anointed come, Let the Lord’s anointed come, Let the Lord’s anointed come, Let the Lord’s anointed come,

While heaves and nature sing, While heaves and nature sing, While heave and nature sing, While heave and nature sing,
1. Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
2. Crown Him the Virgin’s Son, The God incarnate born,
3. Crown Him the Lord of Love, Behold His hands and side,
4. Crown Him the Lord of Life, Who triumphed o’er the grave

Hark how the heav’n-ly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Whose arm those crim-sin trophies won Which now His brow adorn;
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save.

A wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
Fruit of the mystic rose, As of that rose the stem;
No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight,
His glories now we sing Who died and rose on high,

And hail Him as thy match-less King Through all eternity.
The root whence mercy ever flows, The Babe of Beth-le-hem.
But downward bends his won’ring eye At mysteries so bright.
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.
163  O Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly

Freuet euch, ihr Christen alle
C. Keimann, 1607-62
Tr. C. Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.

FREUET EUCH, IHR CHRISTEN ALLE
A. Hammerschmidt, 1611-75, alt.

1. O re - joice, ye Chris - ti ans, loud - ly, For our joy hath
2. See, my soul, thy Sav - ior choos - es Weak - ness here and
3. Lord, how shall I thank Thee right - ly? I ac - knowl - edge
4. Je - sus, guard and guide Thy mem - bers; Fill Thy breth - ren

now be - gun; Won - drous things our God hath done.
pov - er - ty; In such love He comes to thee.
that by Thee I am saved e - ter - nal - ly.
with Thy grace; Hear their prayers in ev - ry place.

Tell a - broad His good - ness proud - ly, Who our race hath
Nor the man - ger bed re - fus - es, All He suf - fers
Let me not for - get it light - ly But to Thee at
Bright - en now faith’s glow - ing em - bers; Grant all Chris - ti ans,

hon - ored thus, That He deigns to dwell with us.
for thy good To re - deem thee by His blood.
all times cleave, And my heart true peace re - ceive.
far and near, Ho - ly peace, and god - ly cheer!
Refrain

Joy, O joy, beyond all gladness, Christ hath done away with sadness!

Hence, all sorrow and reproving, For the Sun of Grace is shining!
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**Flute**
Moriah Barker .............................. Eagan, MN
Brittany Boyum .............................. Echo, MN
Miriam Henning ............................. New Ulm, MN
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**Alto Saxophone**
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Janeen Leisses ............................. Fond du Lac, WI
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Heather Hewitt ............................. Le Sueur, MN
Alexis Titeca ............................... Shawmut MT

**Baritone Saxophone**
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Trevor Easterday ........................... Windom, MN

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Joshua Kloster .............................. Mankato, MN
Matthew Lange ............................. New Ulm, MN
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Kirsten Johnson ............................. Thompson, IA
Diana Marzinske ............................. South St. Paul, MN
Anna Wittig .............................. River Falls, WI

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**Tuba**
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Megan Poehler ............................. Nicollet, MN
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Grace Stromer ............................. Good Thunder, MN
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Logan Wendt .............................. Foley, MN
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Daniel Halvorson ............................. Mankato, MN
Moriah Barker ............................. Eagan, MN
Kathryn Faugstad ............................. Belview, MN
Hannah Mumme ............................. Waterville, MN
Elisa Mayer .............................. Belleview, NE
Sierra Batalden ............................. Dayton, MN
Brittany Boyum ............................. Echo, MN

**Viola**
Alyssa Inniger ............................. Mankato, MN

**Cello**
John Halvorson ............................. Mankato, MN

**Keyboard**
Mark Gullixson ............................. Madison, WI

**French Horns**
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Diana Marzinske ............................. South St. Paul, MN
Anna Wittig .............................. River Falls, WI