

# Lessons & Carols

With Choirs from Faith Presbyterian Church &  
Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Newark, Delaware  
Directed by David Giardiniere, Christopher Kraus, & Higo Rodrigues

**Pastoral Welcome & Invocation ..... Pastor Kevin Koslowsky**

**Overture: Ding Dong Merrily on High ..... arr. Larry Shackley**

**Once In Royal David's City ..... arr. John Leavitt**

*Words by Cecil France Alexander, 1823-1895*

*Melody by Henry Gauntlett, 1805-1876*

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her Baby in a manger for His bed.  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ, her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven,  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And His shelter was a stable, and His cradle was a stall.  
With the poor and mean and low lived our Savior long ago.

But our eyes in truth should see Him  
Through His own redeeming love;  
For that Child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heav'n above,  
As He leads His children on to the place where He is gone.

## ***Congregation:***

Not in that poor lowly stable with the oxen standing by  
Shall we see Him, but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high.  
Then like stars His children, crowned,  
All in white, His praise will sound!

## **Celebrate Faith: Isaiah 52:7-9**

How beautiful upon the mountains  
are the feet of him who brings good news,  
who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness,

who publishes salvation,  
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."  
The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice;  
together they sing for joy;  
for eye to eye they see  
the return of the Lord to Zion.  
Break forth together into singing,  
you waste places of Jerusalem,  
for the Lord has comforted his people;  
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

**Personent Hodie: "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" ..... arr. John Rutter**

*English version by Jane Joseph; Piaa Cantiones, 1582*

*Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo! [Therefore, glory to God in the highest!]*

On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing  
To the Son, Christ the King,  
Born on earth to save us; Him the Father gave us.  
*Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

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.  
*Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

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.  
*Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

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.  
*Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

**\*Hymn: O Come, All Ye Faithful..... No. 208**

*\*Indicates standing for those who are able*

### **Celebrate Hope: Isaiah 60:1-3**

Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the Lord will arise upon you,  
and his glory will be seen upon you.  
And nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your rising.

### **Immanuel ..... Michael Card & Tom Fettke**

*Arr. Rob W. Ellis*

A sign shall be given, a virgin will conceive  
A human baby bearing undiminished Deity  
The glory of the nations, a light for all to see  
And hope for all who will embrace His warm reality

*Immanuel, our God is with us  
And if God is with us, who could stand against us?  
Our God is with us, Immanuel*

For all those who live in the shadow of death,  
A glorious light has dawned  
For all those who stumble in the darkness,  
Behold your light has come!

So what will be your answer? Will you hear the call?  
Of Him who did not spare His son, but gave him for us all?  
On earth there is no power. There is no depth or height  
That could ever separate us from the love of God in Christ

### **Celebrate Peace: Luke 1:26-33**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to

discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

**To Thee My Heart I Offer ..... Anonymous, 1653**

*Arr. Elaine Hagenberg*

To Thee my heart I offer, oh Christ-Child sweet and dear;  
Upon Thy love relying, be Thou ever near.  
Oh take my heart and give me Thine and may it be forever mine,  
Oh Jesus, holy, undefiled, my Savior meek and mild.

What brought Thee to the manger, oh Christ-child sweet and dear?  
Thy love from a stranger, be Thou ever near,  
Oh Lord how great Thy perfect Love,  
That reaches from the heavens above.  
Thy love for us, by sin defiled, that made Thee, God, a child.

Let me be Thine forever, oh Christ-child sweet and dear;  
Uphold me with Thy mercy, be Thou ever near.  
Thy hand bestows Thy gifts to me and all I have, I offer Thee.  
My heart, my soul, and all I own; let these be Thine alone.

**\*Hymn: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing ..... No. 203**

**Celebrate Love: Luke 2:4-7**

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

**Blessed Is the Lord / Benedictus..... Dan Forrest**

*Words by R.C. Sproul*

*Benedictus [Blessed]*

*Benedictus, Benedictus, Blessed is our Lord*

*Benedictus, Benedictus, Welcome His Incarnate Word*

Chosen first among the priests to serve within the temple walls,  
Zacharias stood in awe when he heard the angel call.

Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, will come, salvation's horn.  
Cod incarnate, Word made flesh, to a virgin shall be born.

Christ brings light to sin's dark night:  
Our Dayspring, Jesus, from on high  
Saints and angels sing God's praise, all the earth and Heav'n's reply.

**Celebrate Joy: Luke 2:8-14**

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and 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 among those with whom he is pleased!"

**Away in a Manger ..... William J. Kirkpatrick**

*Arr. Mack Wilberg*

Away in a manger, no crib for a 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 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

### **Celebrate Light: John 1:1-5, 9-12**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

### **The Shepherd's Carol..... arr. Dan Forrest**

Carols so sweet, angels did sing.  
As lately we watched o'er our fields through the night.  
A star there was seen of such glorious light.  
All through the night, angels did sing,  
Carols so sweet of the birth of a King.

His throne is a manger, His court is a loft.  
But hosts of bright angels, in strains sweet and soft,  
Him they proclaim, our Christ by name,  
And earth, sky, and air straight are filled with His fame.

Then shepherds, be joyful, salute your new King,  
Let hills and vales ring to the song that ye sing.  
Blest be the hour, welcome the morn  
For Christ our dear Savior on earth now is born.

All through the night, angels did sing  
Carols so sweet, for the birth of a King.

**Celebrate Life: Good News of Salvation ..... Rev. Kevin Koslowsky**

**The Sussex Carol ..... arr. Elaine Hagenberg**

*17<sup>th</sup> Century Irish*

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 men on earth be so 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 his grace  
Then life and health come in its place  
Angels and men 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 men  
Now and forevermore, Amen!

**\*Hymn: Joy to the World ..... No. 195**


**Closing Prayer ..... Pastor Kevin Koslowsky**

**Postlude: A Yuletide Reel..... arr. David Giardiniere**


*An encore of this performance will take place next Sunday, Dec. 11, 6pm,  
at Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd., Newark, DE.*

## Hark! the Herald Angels Sing


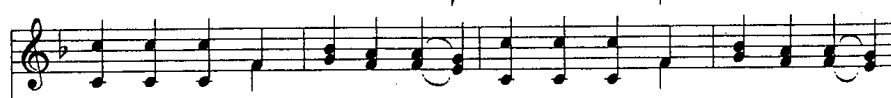
*A great company of the heavenly host [was] praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:13, 14*





1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King;  
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!  
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Right - eous - ness!


peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"  
Late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.  
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.


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 - i - ty,  
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that man no more may die,


with th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.  
born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them sec - ond birth.



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Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King."





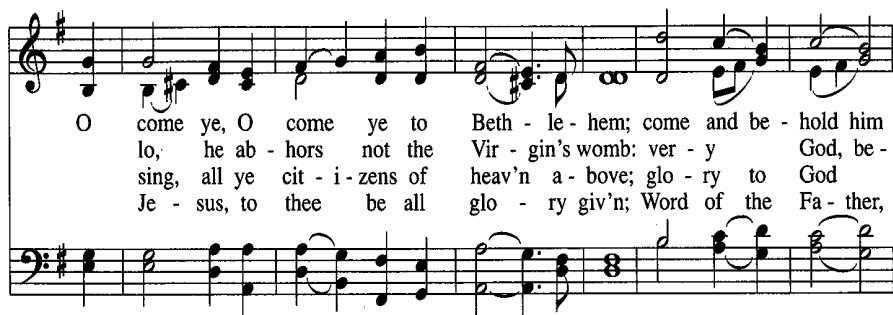
# O Come, All Ye Faithful

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*Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. Luke 2:15*

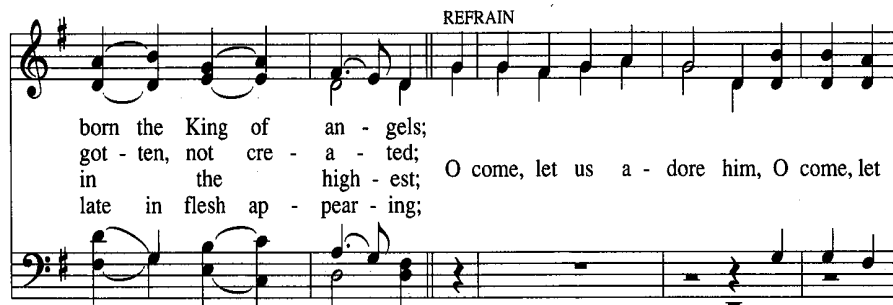


1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,  
 2. God of God, Light of Light;  
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:



O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him  
 lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -  
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God  
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,

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born the King of an - gels;  
 got - ten, not cre - a - ted; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let  
 in the high - est;  
 late in flesh ap - pear - ing;



us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

## Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

*Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Ps. 98:4*

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her  
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -  
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the  
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,  
 ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow  
 prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture  
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his  
 and heav'n and na - ture sing,

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heav'n and na - ture sing,

# Faith Musicians:

## **Soprano:**

Rebecca Cowchok  
Toni DiLuzio  
Adrienne Giardiniere  
Marilee Giardiniere  
Laura Koslowsky  
Nancy Rowles

## **Tenor:**

Frank Barlow  
Mark Cowchok

## **Alto:**

Julie Alloway  
Nancy Cowchok  
Tara Goerlich  
Cathy Knowlton  
Vickie Robinson  
Marla Sturgill

## **Bass:**

Rob Bates  
Bill Scott  
Bill Troppman

# Evangelical Musicians:

## **Soprano:**

Amy Anderson  
Savannah Barber  
Ann Beattie  
Linda Catinella  
Ava David  
Carrie David  
Stephanie Demond  
Sophia Dorno  
Annabelle Edamala  
Bonnie Greer  
Kaitlyn Hostetler  
Sara Mallary  
Bianca Rodrigues  
Ira Rodrigues  
Luisa Rodrigues  
Riama Tobing

## **Tenor:**

Luke Halley  
Stephen Kay  
Paul Veenema  
Tyler Warshaw

## **Alto:**

Amelia Beckous  
Rose Edamala  
Theresa Franklin  
Elise Halley  
Jenna Halley  
Laura Halley  
Emily Hostetler  
Linda Kay  
Lee Mitchel  
Sheryl Roche  
Nancy Sandstrom  
Cynthia Webster

## **Bass:**

Alan Beattie  
Elijah Malgiero  
Nathan Rose  
Donovan Warshaw

# Orchestra:

Brandon Page (Concertmaster) – Violin

Christopher Kraus – Organ

Amy Anderson – Piano

Karen Baddorf – Violin

Marybeth McCarrick – Viola

Ginyoung Park – Cello

Alan Mason – Double Bass

Steven Lester – Flute

Jillian Fetrow – Oboe

David Blumberg – Clarinet

Elizabeth Brown – Horn

Jennifer Hugh – Bassoon

John Lashbrook – Percussion



## *Christmas Eve at Faith Traditional Services with Carols*

PLEASE JOIN US AND YOUR WILMINGTON  
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CELEBRATION AT FAITH CHURCH.

**5:00 AND 7:00 P.M.**

