

Lessons & Carols

DECEMBER 9, 2018

Music for Gathering

In dulci jubilo

James Woodman

Bidding Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Joey Paulson

Hymnal p. 16

First Lesson

Isaiah 9:2-7

Eleanor Saunier

◆ Processional Hymn 49

Once in Royal David's City
vs 1: Choristers, verses 2-4: All

Irby

Second Lesson

Isaiah 11

Will Ham

Anthem

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

arr. John Yarrington

Robert Stetkevych, Judy Dunscomb, Margaret Anne Doran; percussion

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung.

Of Jesse's lineage coming as those 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 for us a Savior

When half-spent was the night.

◆ Hymn 9

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

Third Lesson

Luke 1:39-55

Ellie Weikle

Anthem

Advent Joy

Nancy Gifford

Prepare ye, prepare ye to celebrate the Savior's birth.

Prepare ye, prepare ye; Emmanuel is coming to earth.

John the Baptist, in the wilderness, eating locust and honey wild.

Mother Mary, in her faithfulness, bravely waiting this Holy Child.

Light a candle, sing with gladness; Mary welcomes the Living Word.

Light a candle, sing with gladness; John the Baptist can still be heard.

The Light of the world is coming. Sing for joy!

◆ Hymn 16 **The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came** *Gabriel's Message*

Fourth Lesson Luke 2:1-14 Aaron Heflin

Anthem *Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow* *African-American spiritual*
arr. Earlene Rentz

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn, Rise up, shepherd, and follow, It will lead to the place where the Savior's born, Rise up, shepherd, and follow.	Follow, follow, Rise up, shepherd, and follow. Follow the star of Bethlehem, Rise up, shepherd, and follow.
If you take good heed to the angel's words, Rise up, shepherd, and follow. You'll forget your flock, you'll forget your herds, Rise up, shepherd, and follow.	Leave your sheep and leave your lambs, Rise up, shepherd, and follow. Leave your ewes and leave your rams, Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

◆ Hymn 23 **Angels We Have Heard On High** *Gloria*

Fifth Lesson Luke 2:15-20 Sophia Saunier

Anthem *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* *Traditional Polish Carol*
arr. Ken Berg
Steve Patek and Jonathan Schakel, guitars; Paul Schakel, violin

Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing,
Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new;
Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow,
Christ the babe was born for you.

◆ Hymn 25 **Away in a Manger** *Mueller*

Sixth Lesson Matthew 2:1-12 Nathaniel Brawley Magee

Anthem *By Candlelight* Ruth Elaine Schram

There is a baby tucked in a manger, sleeping tight.
And over the manger, there is a star that is shining bright in the night,
Showing the world the way to the place where he sleeps upon the hay.
And we make our way by candlelight.

Animals share their humble abode with him willingly,
But they seem to be asking, "Why has he come, and who is he? Is he royalty?"
Gently, the mother sings to the child lullabies fit for a king.
And she softly sings by candlelight.

Flickering candles, twinkling stars shine like diamonds in midnight blue;
Shimmering snow is reflecting their sparkle in every hue.
There is a sense of wonder, for our faith has been renewed,
As we see his face in this simple place by candlelight.

Over the manger, angels spread their golden wings;
While he is presented priceless treasure and lovely things, gifts from kings.
What could we offer, what could we bring to this baby from above?
We will bring our love by candlelight.

Prayer

Gage Winstead

Light of the world, we need your love today to shine in the dark corners of this earth
where loneliness and hatred, war and suffering, greed and lust destroy.

Light of the world, come to us.

Light of the world, we need your love today to shine on our path through the
darkness of this earth that we may follow surely in your footsteps.

Light of the world, come to us.

Light of the world, we need your love today to shine in our lives
that we may more perfectly love you and reflect your love on earth.

Light of the world, come to us.

Seventh Lesson

John 1:1-14

Gage Winstead

Passing the Light

*When candles are lighted, those already lighted should be held straight up;
unlighted ones should be tipped forward to receive the light.*

Hymn *remain seated*

Silent Night, Holy Night

Stille Nacht

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child. Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born."

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night, Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

Sending Forth

Joey Paulson

Arise! Shine! For your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

The light comes for us! Come, let us adore Him!

Go forth into the darkness as children of the light,
that through us the light may shine in all the world.

Jesus Christ is the light of the world!

Come, let us adore Him!

Please extinguish candles.

◆ Recessional Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Adeste Fideles

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!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;
Word of the God-head, now in flesh appearing: *Chorus*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest: *Chorus*

Closing Voluntary

In dulci jubilo

J. S. Bach

Choirs

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