

Lessons & Carols

December 12, 2021

Music for Gathering	<i>Sonata No. 3: Adagio</i> Paul Schakel, violin	G. F. Handel
Bidding Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer		Tatiana Bird Glory to God hymnal p. 35
First Lesson	Isaiah 9:2-7	Annabelle Garth
◆ Processional Hymn 140	Once in Royal David's City vs 1: Edith Moak and Mia Wade, verses 2-4: All	IRBY
Second Lesson	Isaiah 11	Aurora Nichols
Anthem	<i>Comfort, Comfort Now My People</i> Winston Barham and Dana Patek, percussion Text can be found at no. 87 in the Glory to God hymnal.	Richard Proulx
◆ Hymn 88	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel verses 1, 3, 6 & 7	VENI EMMANUEL
Third Lesson	Luke 1:26-38	Ellie Weikle
Anthem	<i>There Is No Rose</i> There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu, For in this rose contained was heaven and earth in little space. By that rose we well may see that he is God in persons three, So leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyful birth.	Tim Porter

◆ Hymn The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came, His
 2. "For know a bless - ed moth - er you shall be, All
 3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head, "To
 4. Of her, Em-man - u - el, the Christ, was born In

wings as drif - ted snow, his eyes as flame; "All
 gen - er - a - tions praise con - tin - ual - ly, Your
 me be as it pleas - es God," she said, "My
 Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn, And

hail," said he, "O low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,"
 Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told."
 soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy God's ho - ly name."
 Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say:

Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!

Fourth Lesson Luke 2:1-14 Eden Garth

Anthem *'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime* 16th c. French Carol
 Andrew Stetkevych and Judy Dunscomb, percussion, arr. Jeff Reeves
 Paul Schakel, violin
 Text can be found at no. 142 in the Glory to God hymnal.

◆ Hymn 113 Angels We Have Heard On High GLORIA

Fifth Lesson Luke 2:15-20 Andrew Stetkevych

Anthem *Infant Holy* Polish folk melody
 harm. Arthur Rusbridge
 Text can be found at no. 128 in the Glory to God hymnal.

◆ Hymn 115 Away in a Manger MUELLER

Sixth Lesson Matthew 2:1-12 Mia Wade

Anthem *Hurry Over Clouds and Heavens* Thomas Keesecker

Hurry over clouds and heavens, past bright stars, the mountain snow.
 Hurry over oceans, deserts to a stable down below,
 to a manger with a baby, to the God the children know.

Silence in the place so humble where the cattle take their rest.
 Silence in the dark and moonlight, tired sparrows in their nest,
 with a mother and a father and a child there taking rest.

Miracle of mind and spirit, show my heart the sacred place
 of the Christ child in a manger, where God's children full of grace
 see this gift of God's own spirit to a silent human race.

Prayer

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 Robert Stetkevych

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.

