

64th Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols
4:00 PM · December 17, 2023

Prelude: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* arr. Kevin McChesney (b. 1963)
Saint Dunstan Handbell Choir

Pastorale on 'The First Noel'

Berceuse on 'Silent Night'

Canonic Chorale on 'Hark the Herald Angels Sing' Thomas M. Kuras (1950-1997)
Organ

Nowell! Nowell! Nowell! arr. William E. Gross
Saint Dunstan Handbell Choir

Processional Hymn: *Once in Royal David's City* Hymnal, no. 102
Please stand and join us in singing verse six

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a
2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is
*3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - found - ed that a
4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,
*5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his
6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the

1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her
2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a
3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -
4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -
5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so
6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in

1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry
2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the
3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this
4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he
5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he
6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

1 was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.
2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.
3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.
4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
5 leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.
6 vealed to faith - ful eye, set at God's right hand on high.

The Bidding Prayer The Rev. Paul Frolick

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn: *Come, Thou Redeemer of the Earth* arr. Sir. David Willcocks (1919-2015)
Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

Adult Choir vv. 1-5, Congregation v. 6

- One *Come, thou Redeemer of the earth, and manifest thy virgin birth:
let ev'ry age adoring fall; such birth befits the God of all.*
- Two *Begotten of no human will, but of the Spirit, thou art still
the Word of God in flesh arrayed, the promised fruit to man displayed.*
- Three *The virgin womb that burden gained with virgin honour all unstained;
the banners there of virtue glow; God in his temple dwells below.*
- Four *From God the Father he proceeds, to God the Father back he speeds;
His course he runs to death and hell, returning on God's throne to dwell.*
- Five *O equal to thy Father, thou! Gird on thy fleshly mantle now;
the weakness of our mortal state with deathless might invigorate.*
- Six *All laud, eternal Son, to thee whose advent sets thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.*

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON: Genesis 3:8-15 Shayna Simon-Jaimon, Junior Chorister

God announces in the garden of Eden that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.

Carol: *This is the Truth Sent from Above* Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

*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 well 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 then 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 us by His Son.*

THE SECOND LESSON: Genesis 22:15-18 Derek Peterson, Adult Chorister

God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall the nations of earth be blessed.

Carol: *I Believe / He Will Come* Ruth Elaine and Scott Schramm
Saint Andrew's Junior and Cherub Choir

I believe, God will send a Savior; I believe God will send His Son. He will come, our Emmanuel; till He comes, we are waiting faithfully. He will come, our Emmanuel; we believe He will come at last. Through long ages of the past, prophets have foretold His coming.

THE THIRD LESSON: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 Suzanne Bender,
Director of Saint Dunstan Handbell Choir

Christ's birth and kingdom are foretold by Isaiah.

Carol: *Out Under the Sky* arr. Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)
Saint Dunstan Handbell Choir

THE FOURTH LESSON: Micah 5:2-4 Liz Halgren, Director of Junior Bell Choir
and Church School Teacher

The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem.

Carol: *O Little Town of Bethlehem* Hymnal, no. 79

1 O lit - tle town of Beth-le-hem, how still we see thee lie!
2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath-ered all a - bove,
3 How si - len - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won-drous gift is given!
*4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless-ed Child,
5 O ho - ly Child of Beth-le-hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
2 while mor-tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won-dering love.
3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless-ings of his heaven.
4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
2 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
3 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
4 where char - i - ty stands watch-ing and faith holds wide the door;
5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.
5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

THE FIFTH LESSON: Luke 1:26-38

Deborah Friauff, Director of Music

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Carol: *Come Emmanuel / Holy is the Lord* Ruth Elaine and Scott Schramm
Saint Andrew's Junior Choir

Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. God has chosen Mary; she will bear a Son. We will call Him Jesus' He's the promised One. We believe the angel; God has kept His word, sent us our Messiah, holy is the Lord.

THE SIXTH LESSON: Matthew 1:18-23

Lorraine Field, Senior Warden

Saint Matthew tells of the birth of Jesus.

Carol: *Balulalow* Peter Warlock (1894-1930)
Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

O my dear hert, young Jesus sweet, prepare thy credil in my spreit, and I sall rock thee in my hert and never mair from thee deport. But I sall praise thee evermore with sangis sweet unto thy glor! The knees of my hert sall I bow, and sing that richt Balulalow.

THE SEVENTH LESSON: Luke 2:8-16

The Rev. JoAnn Kennedy Slater,
Priest Associate

The Shepherds go to the manger.

Carol: *Silent Night* arr. Michael Helman (b. 1956)
Saint Andrew's Junior Handbell Choir

THE EIGHTH LESSON: Matthew 2:1-11

The Rev. Sally Boelter,
Priest Associate

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

Carol: *Still, Still, Still* arr. J. William Greene (b. 1956)
Saint Andrew's Junior Choir

Still, still, still, the Child is sleeping now. Maria her song is gently singing, from her inmost heart it is springing. Sleep, sleep, sleep, beloved holy Child. The angel's song rings sweetly around us, as the Child in song they caress. Love, love, love covers all. God has heav'nly throne forsaken. To travel with us has undertaken. Love, love, love, you cover all with your love.

Hymn: *O Come All Ye Faithful* Hymnal, no. 83

1 O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O
 2 God from _____. God, Light from Light eternal, _____
 3 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, _____
 *4 See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle, _____
 *5 Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger, _____

1 come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; _____
 2 lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb; _____
 3 sing, all ye citizens of heaven above; _____
 4 leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze; _____
 5 we would embrace thee, with love and awe; _____

1 come, and be hold him, born the King of angels; _____
 2 on ly be got ten Son of the Father; _____
 3 glo ry to God, glo ry in the highest; _____
 4 we too will thine er bend our joyful foot steps; _____
 5 who would not love thee, loving us so dear ly? _____

Refrain

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

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
 Jesus, to thee be glory given; Word of the Father,
 now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

THE NINTH LESSON: John 1:1-8

Saint John unfolds the mystery of the Incarnation.

Carol: *The First Nowell* Ralph Vaughan Williams
Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

The first Nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay keeping their sheep, in a cold winter's night that was so deep: Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

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: Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star, three Wise Men came from country far; to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wheresoever it went: Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord, that hath made heaven and earth of naught, and with his blood mankind hath bought: Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn: *Joy to the World* Hymnal, no. 100

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
 2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
 *3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ce - ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
 songs em - ploy, while fields, and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
 peat the sound - ing as the curse is found, and re - peat the sound - ing
 as the curse is won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, found, far as, far as the sound - ing joy.
 found, love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Postlude: *Toccata on 'Antioch'* Craig Phillips (b. 1962)

THE SAINT ANDREW'S CHOIRS

Deborah Friauff, Director
Mi Zhou, Accompanist

The Adult Choir

* Soloist

Soprano Danielle Augsburger *
Robin Berry
Celia Bridges
Sharman Galazewski
Hilary Garton
Aileen Gatten
Susie Lorand
Hannah Resnick

Tenor Christopher Bickley
Jonathan Gardner
Jack Moeser

Bass Stephen Bates
Michael Field
Parks Mason
Derek Peterson

Norm Richert
Ray Shuster
Nathan Sten

Alto Julie Cunningham
Lorraine Field
Kimberly Hudolin
Ally Norris
Haley Olson
Lucy Richert
Donna Wessel Walker

The Junior Choir

Theodore Bales
Rory Fitzgerald
Benjamin Halgren
Samuel Halgren
Collin Murchison
Dean Murchison
Addy Peterson
Nora Prescott
Shayna Simon-Jaimon

The Cherub Choir

Eleanor Floyd
Addy Jacobsen
Quinn Miller

THE SAINT DUNSTAN HANDBELL CHOIR

Suzanne Bender, Director
Suzy Bender
Mary Black
Liz Hagemeister
Liz Halgren
Shirley Harden
Mary Jane Medlock
Jean McKim
Kevin Ross
Suzanne Schluederberg

THE SAINT ANDREW JUNIOR HANDBELL CHOIR

Liz Halgren, Suzy Bender &
Mary Jane Medlock, Directors

Elliot Fitzgerald
Rory Fitzgerald
Benjamin Halgren
Samuel Halgren
Collin Murchison
Dean Murchison

LEADERS IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Organist & Director of Music
Deborah Friauff

Choir Accompanist
Mi Zhou

Officiant
Paul Frolick

Acolytes
Scott Gerstenberger
Susanne Schluederberg
Jean Sheng

Usher
Sarah Inwood

Christmas

at St. Andrew's

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, December 24

4:00 PM
Family Eucharist +
Christmas Pageant *

10:10 PM
Festival Choral Prelude *

10:30 PM
Festival Choral Eucharist *

CHRISTMAS DAY
Monday, December 25

10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist

Services will be held as regularly scheduled December 24 - 31.

* Livestreamed on YouTube

Can't be with us in person this Christmas?



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