

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Lindell Boulevard and Spring Avenue
St. Louis, Mo.



CHORAL FESTIVAL SERVICE

Christmas Eve, 1921

Eleven o' Clock



THE REV. ZEBARNEY THORNE PHILLIPS, D.D., Rector
THE REV. LEIGHTON H. NUGENT, Assistant
CHARLES GALLOWAY, Organist and Choirmaster

CHOIR

Crucifer—Charles Miller Galloway
Flag-Bearer—Edward Miller Galloway.

Sopranos

Miss Marie Becker
Miss Ethel Cook
Mrs. Katherine Cowan
Miss Lorene Fairchild
Mrs. W. F. Fusting
Mrs. R. M. Milligan

Altos

Miss Frances Fuhrmann
Miss Margaret Stille
Miss Roberta Slosser
Miss Edith Varney

Tenors

Mr. Wallace Bassford
Mr. Arthur Butler
Mr. C. M. Mantor
Mr. Louis Torti

Basses

Mr. Wesley Becker
Mr. A. C. Crutwell
Mr. LeRoy Kenney
Dr. H. E. Schilling
Mr. Edmund Mack
Mr. Fred F. Wolf

Choral Festival Service.

CHRISTMAS CAROL— HOLY NIGHT..... Haydn

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!

Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia;
Christ, the Saviour, 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!

CANTATA—THE CHRIST CHILD..... Hawley

PART I.

Organ Prelude.

Tenor Solo.

The voice of Him that crieth in the wilderness—
“Prepare ye the way of the Lord. Make straight
in the desert a highway for our God. Every
valley shall be exalted and every mountain and
hill made low. The crooked shall be made straight
and the rough places plain. And the glory of
the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see
it together. For the mouth of the Lord hath
spoken it.”

Bass Recitative.

The people that walked in darkness have seen
a great light. They that dwell in the land of the
Shadow of Death upon them hath the light shined.

Chorus.

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory
of the Lord is risen upon thee; for behold, dark-
ness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the
people. But the Lord shall arise upon thee and
His glory shall be seen upon thee.

Bass.

Behold a King shall reign in righteousness and
His name shall be called Wonderful—Counsellor
—The Mighty God—The Everlasting Father—The
Prince of Peace.

Ladies' Chorus.

He shall feed His flock like a Shepherd. He
shall gather the lambs with His arms and carry
them in His bosom and gently lead those that
are with young.

Alto Solo.

The Angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a
city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin
espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, and
the Virgin's name was Mary. And the Angel
said unto her—

Tenor Solo.

“Hail thou art highly favored among women.
Fear not, for thou hast found favor with God.
Behold thou shalt bring forth a Son and shall
call His name Jesus. He shall be great and shall
be called the Son of the Highest, and o'er the
house of Jacob He shall reign forever.”

Quartette and Chorus.

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet
of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth
peace. Break forth into joy, sing together ye
waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord hath
comforted his people. He hath redeemed Jerusa-
lem.

Soprano Solo.

My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God, my Saviour. For He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden, for behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed, for He that is mighty hath magnified me and holy is His name.

Chorus.

Sing O Heavens and be joyful O Earth,
Break forth into singing, ye mountains,

Organ—Pastorale.

Soprano Solo.

"O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie,

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth the Everlasting Light,

The hopes and fears of all the years, are met in thee tonight."

And there were in the same country Shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

Alto.

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—

Baritone.

"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."

Soprano Recitative.

And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying—

Say unto the daughters of Zion—
"Behold thy Salvation cometh."
Thou Bethlehem in the land of Judah art not
The least among the Princes of Judah,
For out of thee shall come a Governor
Who shall rule my people Israel.

Quartette.

"Blessed is He that cometh in the name
of the Lord—Hosanna in the Highest."

PART II.

Chorus.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth
peace, good will to men."

Bass Solo and Chorus.

"It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From Angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold.
Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious king,
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing."

Ladies' Chorus.

"Peace on the earth—good will to men."

Soprano Solo.

"Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world."

Ladies' Chorus.

"Peace on earth—good will to men."

Soprano Solo.

"Above its sad and lowly plains,
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds,
The blessed Angels sing"—

Ladies' Chorus.

"Peace on earth—good will to men."

Tenor Solo.

"O ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the weary way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now, for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing,
O rest beside the weary road
And hear the angels sing"—

Ladies' Chorus.

"Peace on earth—good will to men."

Chorus.

For lo; the days are hast'ning on,
By prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heaven and earth shall own
The prince of peace their King,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing—

"Peace on the earth—good will to men."

Alto.

And it came to pass as the angels were gone
away from them into heaven, the shepherds said
one to another—

Male Chorus.

"Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see
this thing which has come to pass, which the
Lord hath made known unto us."

ADDRESS The Rector

HYMN No. 49.

O Come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
Oh come ye, oh come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him born the King of
angels;
Oh come, let us adore Him,
Oh come, let us adore Him,
Oh come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Alto.

And they came with haste and found Mary and
Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

Solo and Chorus.

Holy night, peaceful night,
Through the darkness beams a light,
Yonder where they sweet vigil keep,
O'er the babe, who in silent sleep
Rests in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holiest night,
Darkness flies and all is light,
Shepherds hear the Angels sing,
Halleluia; hail the King,
Jesus the Saviour is here.

Holiest night, peaceful night,
Child of heaven, O how bright
Thou didst smile when thou wast born,
Blessed was the happy morn
Full of heavenly joy.

Silent night, holiest night,
Guiding Star, O lend thy light;
See the Eastern wise men bring
Gifts and homage to our King,
Jesus the Saviour is here.

Silent night, holiest night,
Wondrous Star, O lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing
Halleluia to our King,
Jesus our Saviour is here.

God of God, Light of Light,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God, begotten not created;
Oh come, let us adore Him, etc.

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God in the highest;
Oh come, let us adore Him, etc.