

# Welcome to the 2023 Concordia Christmas Concert – Rejoice and Sing!

I hope that there are times in your life when all you want to do is sing a joyful song! That's where my mood and spirit were resonating most last winter and early spring as I was starting to develop this year's concert, and we're all so pleased and thankful that you are here rejoicing and singing with us as we celebrate this special season of the birth of Christ.

It was particularly enjoyable weaving this year's opening sequence around the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, and my colleague Paul Johnson, our brilliant mural artist, latched on to that aspect of the concert for the center portion of this year's mural. I hope some musical and biblical dots will be connected for you. (Oh, *that's* what "Wake, Awake" is all about!)

One of the most exciting aspects of this year's concert for me is that we'll be premiering two new arrangements that we commissioned from brand-new graduates of Concordia College — Jared Campbell and Carmen Geiger-Schutz, both members of the class of 2023! Jared and Carmen both participated in several Christmas Concerts during their time as students here and are gifted musical minds that we are proud to claim as our own.

Lastly, I would like to give a special "Welcome!" to our new campus president, Dr. Colin Irvine, and his family, as they spend their first Christmas Concert season with us this year. May you all, too, find time to be with your loved ones this holiday season and rejoice in the gifts that the newborn babe in the manger brings to us again this year.

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#### Artistic Director

#### **Artist Statement**

Welcome to the Concordia Christmas Concert! It is a joy to create the concert mural and see the field house transform into a sanctuary for us all to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. This year the stump of Jesus makes for a unifying element throughout the entire mural as its shoot evolves from a cross-shaped crack and eventually creates a circular motif (hinting at a crown of thorns) that culminates with a rose centered above the "Rejoice and Sing" title.

To the left and right of the center graphic appear the 10 bridesmaids referenced in the opening sequence. To the left, the wise and jubilant bridesmaids with their lamps trimmed and burning bright. To the right, the foolish, half-asleep bridesmaids with their lamps burned out. The uplifted arms of the bridesmaids transform into supporting timbers for the stable that houses the Holy family. Christ is held by Mary and Joseph, as the ox and ass look on as well. The rooster also appears as a foreshadowing of events later in Jesus' life when it was used as a time piece.

To the right of the foolish bridesmaids, an Angel of the Lord "brings great tidings" to the shepherds. To the right of the shepherds, three kings follow the Christmas star. The camels and their riders appear differently however, almost as vessels, as early camels carrying their passengers were known as ships.

Merry Christmas and enjoy the concert!

#### **Paul Johnson**

Concordia College Muralist

# Rejoice and Sing!

#### Chimes

Rejoice and Sing	J.S. Bach
Rejoice and sing! Your heavenly King as man is born and lays aside His glory. He is adored, our Christ and Lord, and every tongue repeats the wondrous story.	
Nimrod (from Enigma Variations, Op. 36)	ard Elgar

#### **NARRATION**

There are three parts to this season:

the waiting, and the waiting, and the waiting.

Waiting for the Christ child to come, to be sure, who we know already came.

Waiting for the burning coming of the Christ in our hearts, for the I-am-with-you-always.

Waiting for the great coming of the reign of God

when each table is a banquet and bread lines are no more.

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning . . . . . . . . . . . . . trad. African American Spiritual

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning for the time's drawing nigh.

#### **NARRATION**

At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten bridesmaids who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

Darker midnight lies before us for the time's drawing nigh.

#### **NARRATION**

At midnight the cry rang out: "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!" Then all the bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out." "No," the wise ones replied, "there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves."

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning for the time's drawing nigh.

#### **NARRATION**

Now while the foolish ones were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The bridesmaids who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet and the door was shut. Later, the foolish ones arrived, too. "Lord," they said, "open the door for us!" But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I don't know you." Therefore stay awake and keep watch, for you know not the hour or the day.

#### Wake, Awake for Night is Flying ......arr. F. Melius Christiansen

Wake, awake, for night is flying, the watchmen on the heights are crying:

"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"

Midnight's solemn hour is tolling, His chariot wheels are nearer rolling;

He comes, prepare, ye virgins wise.

Rise up; with willing feet, go forth the bridegroom meet; Hallelujah!

Bear through the night your well-trimmed light, speed forth to join the marriage rite.

Hear Thy praise, O Lord, ascending from tongues of men and angels

blending with harps and lute and psaltery.

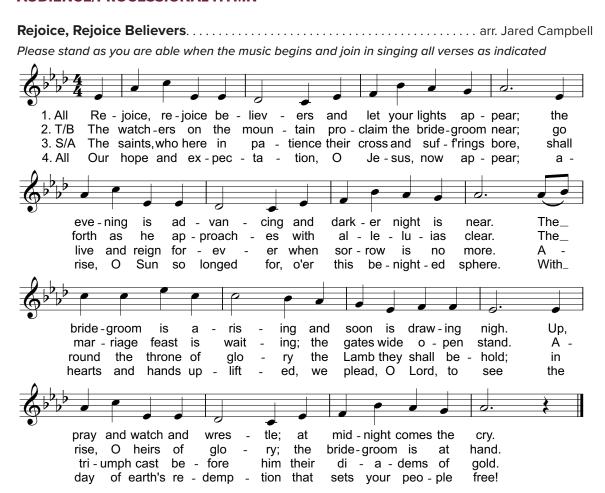
By Thy pearly gates in wonder we stand, and swell the voice of thunder,

In bursts of choral melody: Hallelujah!

No vision ever brought, no ear hath ever caught such bliss and joy:

We raise the song, we swell the throng to praise Thee ages all along. Hallelujah!

#### **AUDIENCE/PROCESSIONAL HYMN**



Please be seated

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Can you hear the distant music sounding from the pipe and horn, Bearing news of joy and gladness, "Christ, the King of heaven is born." Angels, too, resound the anthem to the children of the earth, Calling all to hear the tidings of the blessed Savior's birth.

Hear them sing, "Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

The fife and angel voices ring.

"Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

They all rejoice with songs they sing to bring the world a newborn King!

Feel the music stir your senses like a mighty trumpet call,

Wakening the world from slumber, calling out to one and all,

From the village, from the country, let us join the holy throng,

As we hasten to the manger that we, too, may join the song.

As we sing, "Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

The fife and angel voices ring.

"Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

We all rejoice with songs they sing to bring the world a newborn King!

Enter now the holy stable to behold the blessed sight,

This is Christ, the Lord, the Savior, pure and filled with holy light,

Tune your heart to hear His music, feel the glory of His love,

Let us worship and adore Him, wondrous Child of God above.

Raise your voice, "Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

The fife and angel voices ring.

"Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

They all rejoice with songs they sing to bring the world a newborn King!

"Ta-ra-ra, ta-ra-ré-re, Li-tam-pon, la-de-ri-tam-pon,"

We all rejoice with songs we sing to tell us all to rise and sing to bring the world a newborn King!

#### **NARRATION**

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to Nazareth, to a virgin whose name was Mary. And Gabriel came to her and said, "Hail, O favored one, the Lord is with you! Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God. You will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call him Jesus."

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu. Alleluia.

For in this rose contained was heaven and earth in little space. Res miranda (Marvelous thing).

By that rose we may well see there be one God in persons three. Pares forma (Equal in form).

Then leave we all this worldly mirth, and follow we this joyful birth. Transeamus (Let us go).

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu. Gaudeamus (Let us rejoice).

#### **NARRATION**

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him; the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord, and he will delight in the fear of the Lord. On that day the root of Jesse will stand as a sign to all people.

#### Blessed Be! . . . . . . . . . . . . Melanie DeMore

Blessed be! Blest be, blessed be the Living Tree. Blessed be the Tree of Life that grows within you and me. Steady and true, rooted in love. Shelter and peace, below and above.

Sing to the sky, Rise from the earth. Seasons come round again, death and rebirth.

#### A Spotless Rose ...... Herbert Howells

A spotless rose is blowing, sprung from a tender root, Of ancient seers' foreshowing of Jesse promised fruit; Its fairest bud unfolds to light amid the cold, cold winter, And in the dark midnight.

The Rose which I am singing, whereof Isaiah said, Is from its sweet root springing in Mary, purest Maid; For through our God's great love and might the Blessed Babe she bare us In a cold, cold winter's night.

#### **NARRATION**

And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into 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 wife, who was with child. So it was that while they were there the time came for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

# Eit barn er født i Bethlehem (A Child is Born in Bethlehem) ......arr. Ørjan Matre Sung in Norwegian

A child is born in Bethlehem, and so rejoice Jerusalem. Hallelujah! Here he lies in a manger, but rules with eternal dominion. Hallelujah! There the ox and ass stood, and saw that he was God. Hallelujah! Three kings came from the East and gave him gold and myrrh. Hallelujah! One day we will meet our Lord, and he will lead us to Heaven. Hallelujah! Endless thanks and praise to the God of all! Hallelujah!

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In the bleak midwinter frosty wind made moan, Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; Snow had fallen, Snow on snow, snow on snow, In the bleak midwinter long, long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign; In the bleak midwinter a stable-place sufficed the Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ.

Enough for him, whom cherubim worship night and day, A breast full of milk and a manger full of hay; Enough for him, whom angels fall down before, the ox and ass and camel which adore.

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb,
If I were a Wise Man I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give him, give my heart.

See Dat Babe......arr. Stacey Gibbs

*Refrain*: See dat Babe in de lowly manger, He gon' take all my sin away. He gon' reign wit my God in glory one of dese days.

He was born of de Virgin Mary to bring peace to a weary lan'.

He come down from de God in heaben, oh, behol' de Son of Man. Refrain

Was no room in de inn, dey tol' Him, an' dey sent my Lawd away.

He was wrapped in swaddlin' clothes an' He was born in a manguh hay. Refrain

#### **AUDIENCE CAROL**

Please stand as you are able when the music begins and join in singing all verses as indicated

**1. Choirs Only** All my heart this night rejoices as I hear, far and near, sweetest angel voices: "Christ is born," their choirs are singing, till the air everywhere now with joy is ringing.



Please be seated

#### Carols of the Bells

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day	arr. Joseph Kemper
Up, Good Christian Folk and Listen	arr. George Woodward
Ding Dong, Merrily on High	arr. Katherine Davis
Carol of the Bells	arr. Cathy Moklebust

#### **AUDIENCE CAROL**

Silent Night.....arr. René Clausen

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.

Please stand as you are able

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.

Please be seated

#### **NARRATION**

Now there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flocks by night. And lo, an angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. Then the angel said to them, "Fear not, for I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For to 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 babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

Wexford Carol .......arr. Elaine Hagenberg

Good people all, this Christmas time consider well and bear in mind What our good God for us has done in sending His beloved Son.

With Mary holy we should pray to God with love this Christmas day, In Bethlehem upon that morn there was a blessed Messiah born.

Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep their flocks of lambs and feeding sheep To whom God's angels did appear which put the shepherds in great fear.

"Prepare and go," the angels said, "To Bethlehem, be not afraid, For there you'll find this happy morn a princely Babe, sweet Jesus born."

With thankful heart and joyful mind the shepherds went that Babe to find And as God's angel had foretold they did our Savior Christ behold.

Within a manger He was laid and by his side the Virgin maid As long foretold upon that morn there was a blessed Messiah born.

#### **NARRATION**

God is among you! The angelic choir -

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host...

God is in the midst of you! The awestruck shepherds -

Praising God...

Hear the celestial song, hear my voice in the rushing of your life-blood: I am! I am! ...and saying "Glory to God in the highest...

Hear the heavenly messengers -

...and on earth peace, good will to all people."

Hear the heavenly message in the midst of you: Hark!

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Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing! "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time, behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail the incarnate Deity, Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel, Hark! the herald angels sing! "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace, Hail, the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings. Mild He lays His glory by, Born that we no more may die, Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth, Hark! the herald angels sing! "Glory to the newborn King!"

#### **NARRATION**

God is praised in joy.

The age calls for cynicism. God calls for joy.

Joy is our deep connection to the spirit of the living God.

Joy is deeper than the turmoil of the world,
deeper than the failures and frustrations.

The tempest rages, the waves crash and climb,
but beneath the tumult – life, fed by joy –
joy, deep waters that give refuge below the storm.

Joy, from which hope and endurance spring.

Carol of Joy ......trad. Spanish Folk Song, arr. Richard Zgodava

Stars were watching o'er the plain, humble shepherds heard the strain, Angel voices tidings told as they sang with harps of gold.

#### Refrain:

Aleria, aleria, aleria! Aleri, aleri, que placer! (Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, what delight!) Esta noche nace un Niño en el portal de Belén. (Tonight a child is born in the portal of Bethlehem.)

Sweetest music softly stealing through the silence of the night, to the shepherds now revealing Christ is born Son of light. *Refrain* 

Now in David's ancient city "He is born," angels say, God the Father, full of pity, sends his Son to you today. *Refrain* 

On this Christmas hearts we bring, hear the story carols sing. Holy infant grant that we may be led by thee. *Refrain* 

**Jubilate Deo**...... Gyöngyösi Levente *Sung in Latin* 

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious.

#### **NARRATION**

For us

Rejoice in the God made known

Unto Us

Rejoice in God with us (Immanuel)

For us

Sing of the Savior

Unto Us

Sing for the expectant Hope

For us

Rejoice and Sing!

Rejoice and Sing!......John Rutter

Rejoice and sing! glad news I bring; On Christmas Day in the morning.

I saw three ships come sailing in,

On Christmas Day in the morning.

Refrain:

Rejoice and sing Nowell, nowell! Earth's day of gladness is dawning, For Christ is born in Bethlehem On Christmas Day in the morning.

And what was in those ships all three, On Christmas Day in the morning?

Our Savior Christ and his lady,

On Christmas Day in the morning. Refrain

Pray, whither sailed those ships all three, On Christmas Day in the morning?

O, they sailed into Bethlehem,

On Christmas Day in the morning. Refrain

And all the bells on earth shall ring, On Christmas Day in the morning.

And all the angel host shall sing, On Christmas Day in the morning.

And all the souls on earth shall sing, On Christmas Day in the morning.

Then let us all rejoice amain,

On Christmas Day in the morning. Refrain

#### **AUDIENCE/RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Joy to the World ...... arr. Carmen Geiger-Schutz

Please stand as you are able when the music begins and join in singing all verses as indicated

1. All Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let Earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare him room

And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,

and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

2. All TB Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,

While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,

repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. All SA No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;

He comes to make his blessings flow

Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,

far as, far as the curse is found.

4. All He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove

the glories of his righteousness

and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,

and wonders, wonders of his love.

Please be seated

#### **NARRATION**

Christ is knocking.

It's still not Christmas, but it's also still not the great last Advent, the last coming of Christ.

Through all the Advents of our life runs the longing for the last Advent,

when the word will be: "See, I am making all things new."

Advent is a season of waiting, but our whole life is an Advent season,

as we wait for that final Advent when there will be a new heaven and a new earth.

#### Rejoice and Sing...... Karen Marrolli, orchestration by Matthew Culloton

You have turned my mourning into dancing;

You cast off my sadness and clothed me with joy!

Rejoice, O Daughter Zion, and sing, and sing!

The Lord is in your midst, a great defender who saves.

O rejoice, rejoice and sing!

#### Refrain:

Rejoice, O Daughter Zion, and sing, and sing!

The Lord is with you, the Lord shall be your strength.

O rejoice and sing a new song!

The Lord shall delight in you;

God shall renew you in love and rejoice over you in song! Refrain

The Lord shall embrace you and bring you home,

and restore you with a song. Refrain

#### **NARRATION**

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence, and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Compline arr. René Clausen

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