



THE SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS

with the
Montgomery Christian Youth Choir

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
DECEMBER 1, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Sounds of Christmas

PRESENTED BY

THE MONTGOMERY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CHOIR

*This little Babe so few days old, is come to rife Satan's fold;
All hell doth at His presence quake, though He Himself for cold do shake;
For in this weak unarmèd wise the gates of hell He will surprise.*

*With tears He fights and wins the field, His naked breast stands for a shield;
His battering shot are babish cries, His arrows looks of weeping eyes,
His martial ensigns Cold and Need, and feeble Flesh His warrior's steed.*

*His camp is pitchèd in a stall, His bulwark but a broken wall;
The crib His trench, haystalks His stakes; of shepherds He His muster makes;
And thus, as sure His foe to wound, the angels' trumps alarum sound.*

*My soul, with Christ join thou in fight; stick to the tents that He hath pight.
Within His crib is surest ward; this little Babe will be thy guard.
If thou wilt foil thy foes with joy; then flit not from this heavenly Boy!*

ROBERT SOUTHWELL, IN NEWE WARRE (1595)



The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation Rev. Cameron Whitehurst, *Assistant Minister*

The Harp Prelude

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
In the Bleak Midwinter
Burgandy Huntzinger, *harp*

VENI EMMANUEL
CRANHAM

The Chiming of the Hour

† The Call to Worship – John 1:1-5
(*congregation reads bold type*)

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Senior Minister*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.

All things were made through Him,

and without Him was not any thing made that was made.

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

† The Hymn No. 187 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!*

TRURO

† Evening Prayer

Rev. Cooper

The Anthem

Do You Hear What I Hear

arr. Harry Simeone

Said the night wind to the little lamb,

“Do you see what I see? Way up in the sky, little lamb.”

“A star, a star, dancing in the night, with a tail as big as a kite.”

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy,

“Do you hear what I hear? Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy.”

“A song, a song high above the tree, with a voice as big as the sea.”

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king,

“Do you hear what I hear? In your palace warm, mighty king.”

“A Child, a Child shivers in the cold, let us bring Him silver and gold.”

Said the king to the people everywhere,

“Listen to what I say: Pray for peace, people everywhere!

The Child, the Child sleeping in the night, He will bring us goodness and light.”

The Reading

Wonder

Nancy Buckley

Kaelyn Steen, *reader*

The Harp Interlude

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

let every heart prepare Him room...

The Anthem

Mary, Did You Know?

Arr. Jack Schrader

Mary, did you know that your baby Boy would one day walk on water?
Mary, did you know that your baby Boy will save our sons and daughters?
Did you know that your baby Boy has come to make you new?
This Child that you've delivered will soon deliver you.

Mary, did you know that your baby Boy will give sight to a blind man?
Mary, did you know that your baby Boy will calm a storm with His hand?
Did you know that your baby Boy has walked where angels trod?
When you kissed your little Baby then you kissed the face of God.

The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the dead will live again;
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak the praises of the Lamb!

Mary, did you know that your baby Boy is Lord of all creation?
Mary, did you know that your baby Boy will one day rule the nations?
Did you know that your baby Boy is heaven's perfect Lamb?
This sleeping Child you're holding is the great "I Am!"

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Whitehurst

The Scripture Reading – Psalm 25:1-11

pew Bible, page 582

The Homily

SCHOOL OF WAIT

Rev. Whitehurst

The Closing Prayer

Rev. Whitehurst

The Harp Interlude

Good Christian Men, Rejoice
earth and heaven before Him bow...

IN DULCI JUBILO

The Anthem

Jazz Gloria

Natalie Sleeth

with Robert McGowin, *bass*; Brandon Mooney, *percussion*

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Alleluia! Christ the Lord is born.

Lo, now He comes, the awaited Messiah, the Babe who is born in a poor cattle stall.
There 'mid the wisemen and shepherds adoring, He lies sweetly sleeping, the Savior of all.
Tell the news through all the earth; tidings of the holy birth.
Sent from God with man to dwell: Jesus, our Immanuel.

The Reading *Star of the East* Eugene Field
Hudson Speece, reader (1850-1895)

The Harp Interlude *Still, Still, Still* Austrian Carol
All is hushed, the world is sleeping..

The Anthem *Silent Night* Natalie Sleeth
with Bailey Huntzinger, *flute*

(Congregation joins on verses in bold type)

**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.**

Choir: *Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht! Alles schläft, einsam wacht,
Nur das traute, hoch heilige Paar. Holder Knab emit lockigem Haar,
Schlaf im himmlischer Ruh', schlaf im himlischer Ruh'.*

Choir: 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.**

† The Benediction

The Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in F Major, BWV 556* J. S. Bach
Andrew Wales, *organist*





THE MONTGOMERY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CHOIR

Mark Nabholz, *Director*

Meg Griffin, *Collaborative Pianist*

Nyah Sellers, *American Sign Language Interpreter*

Charlotte Adams	Elizabeth Mink
Flora Lin Adams	Ollie Moody
Izzy Baker	Lela Moody
Audrey Ballew	Savell Moody
Oliver Blades	Brady Mooney
Madi Borowski	Elijah Mooney
Brooks Carroll	Jacob Mooney
Amy Kate Coon	Mary Helen Parker
Ella Donnell	Sara Paulk
Emma Donnell	Benjamin Presley
Kaylie Dye	Joy Rogers
Anna Elmore	Mady Segrest
Abigelle Farmer	Maclaren Sellers
Luke Farmer	Nolan Shaeffer
Sarah Farmer	Presley Shaeffer
Jacob Gibbons	Grady Smith
Samuel Gibbons	Richard Smith
Joseph Givens	Hudson Speece
Lily Givens	Stephen E. Spooner
Lily Graeff	Ella Stark
Abigail Haberkorn	Kaelyn Steen
Hannah Haberkorn	Jessa Steen
Abbie Hughes	Aaron Stuursma
Bailey Huntzinger	Alec Stuursma
Burgandy Huntzinger	Evie Stuursma
Charlotte Matthews	William Taylor
Henry Matthews	Anna Wages
Liam Meadows	Andrew Wales
Chloe Meeks	Saniyah Word-Duncan
Emma Meeks	Sariah Word-Duncan



CHRISTMAS AT TRINITY

December 8 at 6:00 p.m.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS CHRISTMAS SERVICE AND PAGEANT

Our children's choirs will lead a service celebrating Jesus Christ's birth, including a narrated reenactment of the nativity. Choral anthems and congregational carols will be accompanied by a string quartet. Homily by Michael Howell.

December 15 at 6:00 p.m.

29th ANNUAL SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

This year's traditional service of choral anthems, congregational carols, and the nativity story told from the Scriptures will include John Rutter's effervescent setting of the ancient Gloria text, accompanied by a large brass ensemble, organ and percussion along with other favorite anthems and congregational hymns and carols.

Invite friends and neighbors to this beautiful musical offering!

December 22 at 6:00 p.m.

HARVEST ARTS SACRED CONCERT

Fusing beloved Christmas tunes and classical music themes, this sacred concert will feature arrangements by Madeline Cawley played by the Harvest Arts Chamber Ensemble.

The concert will be followed by a fellowship reception in the Westminster Room.

December 24 at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION

A service of quiet wonder, with Holy Communion and special music, will prepare our hearts to receive the newborn King.

Nursery will be available during the 4:00 p.m. service only for children ages three and under.

Homily by Kurt Cooper.

December 29 at 6:00 p.m.

OLD YEAR/NEW YEAR SERVICE

During the final service of 2024, we will see the old year out with thanksgiving for the Lord's providence and look ahead to the new year with hope and confidence in the Lord's faithfulness. Homily by Kurt Cooper.



VISITORS

We are honored to have you as our guest today. Please complete the information on our Friendship Register (by scanning the QR code) so that we may respond properly to your visit.

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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