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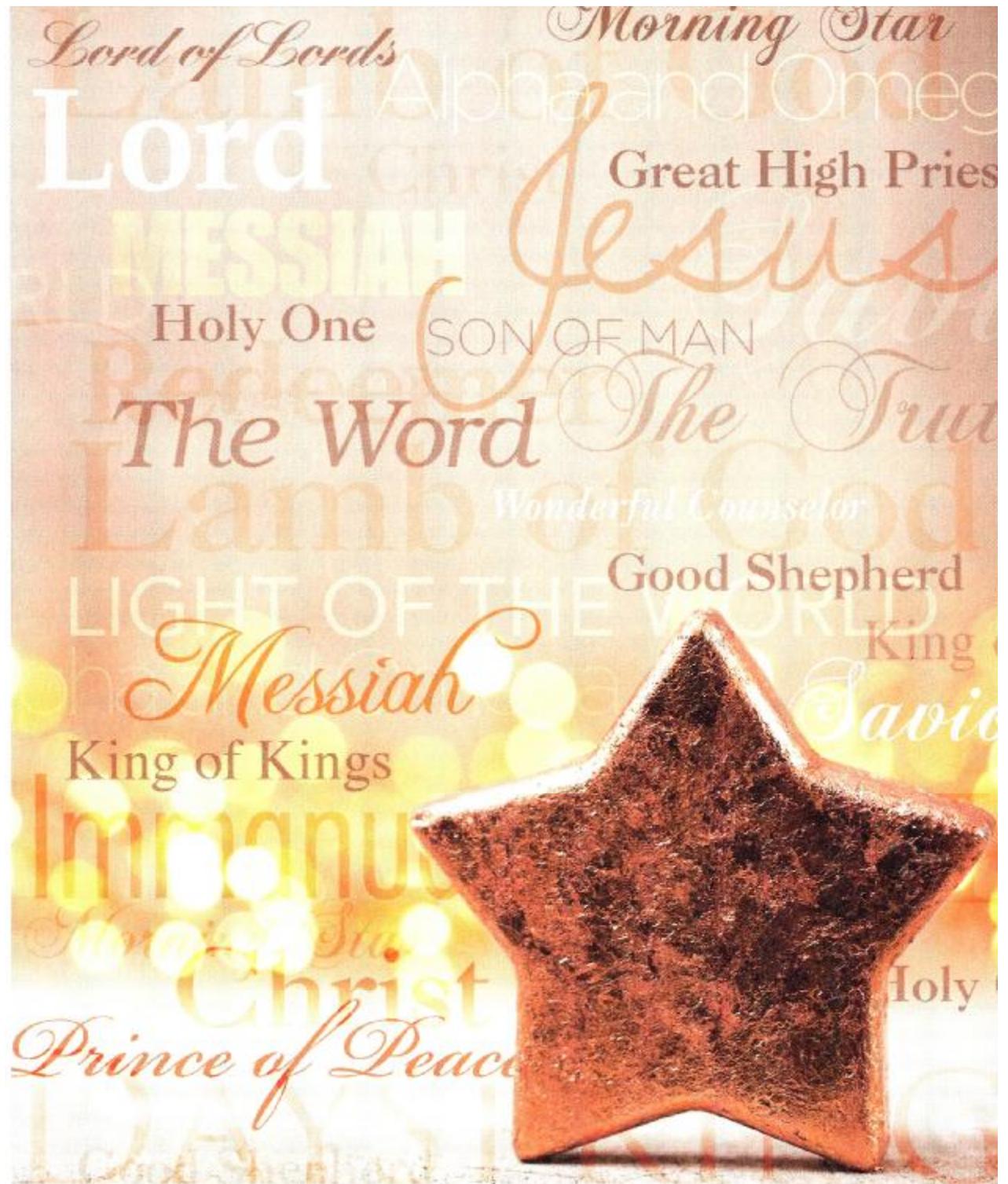
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# 49th Festival of Lessons and Carols

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December 24, 2018

7:30 p.m.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love,  
For that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above;  
And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*Aria*  
from *Pastorale, BWV 590*

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah ix  
*Christ's birth and kingdom are foretold by Isaiah*

Derek Bingham

BIDDING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (*"debts"*)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Kevin, Xan, Emmanuel, Asher, and Piper Morgan

*El Noi de la Mare*  
(The Son of the Mother)

Robert Buckley Farlee  
(b.1950, American)  
Kristin Reynolds, *oboe*

HYMN

Once in Royal David's City

*IRBY*  
Words: C.F. Alexander  
Music: H.J. Gauntlett  
Verses 1-3 harmonized by A.H. Mann  
Verse 4 arr. by David Willcocks  
Solo: Emmanuel Morgan

ANTHEM

Make We Joy Now in this Fest

Malcom Archer  
Medieval Text  
Coley Roberts, *soprano*  
Austin Terris, *tenor*

*Make we joy now in this fest,  
In quo Christus natus est (On which Christ was born) Eya! Eya!*

A Patre Unigenitus (The Father's Only-begotten) is through a maiden come to us,  
Sing we of Him and say "Welcome! Veni Redemptor gencium"  
(Come, Savior of the people)  
*(Refrain)*

Agnoscat omne seculum, (Let every age acknowledge) a bright star made three kings go,  
him for to seek with their presents, verbum supernum prodiens  
(The high Word coming forth)  
*(Refrain)*

A solis ortus cardine (From where the sun rises) so mighty a Lord is none as he; and to our  
kind he hath him knit, Adam parens quod polluit (polluted by Adam)  
*(Refrain)*

Maria ventre concepit, (Mary conceived in her womb) the Holy Ghost was ay her with,  
Of her in Beth'lem born he is, consors paterni luminis (sharer in the fatherly light)  
*(Refrain)*

O lux beata Trinitas, (O Light of the Holy Trinity), he lay between an ox and ass, beside  
his mother maiden free: Gloria tibi Domine, (Glory to thee, O Lord)  
*(Refrain)*

*Solo: Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.*

*Choir: He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,  
And his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall;  
With the poor and mean and lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.*

*\*All: For he is our childhood's pattern, day by day like us he grew,  
He was little, weak, and helpless, tears and smiles like us he knew:  
And he feeleth for our sadness, and he shareth in our gladness.*

\* If you are able, please stand

\*HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful

*ADESTE FIDELES*

Words and Music: J.F. Wade  
Intro and verse 1 Drummond Wolff  
Verse 3 arr. by David Willcocks  
Verse 4 arr. by June Nixon

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him, born the King of Angels:  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

True God of true God, light from light eternal  
Lo! he shuns not the Virgin's womb;  
Son of the Father, Begotten, not created:  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest:  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

SECOND LESSON

Isaiah xi  
*The peace that Christ will bring is foretold*

Marissa Alaniz

ANTHEM

Bogoroditse Devo

Sergei Rachmaninov  
ed. by Richard Apperley

Bogoroditse Devo, raduisya,  
Blagodatnaya Marie, gospod stodboyu  
Blagoslovenna tyvzhenakh i blagosloven plod chreva Tvoego, yako Spasa rodila  
Esi dush nashikh.

Rejoice, O virgin mother of God, Mary full of grace, the Lord is with Thee;  
Blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, for thou  
hast borne the savior of our souls.



THIRD LESSON

St Luke i  
*The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Stacey Simpson Duke



## ANTHEM

## King Jesus Hath a Garden

Dutch traditional carol  
arr. by John Rutter

King Jesus has a garden full of divers flow'rs,  
where I go culling posies gay all times and hours.  
*There naught is heard but paradise bird, harp, dulcimer, lute,  
with cymbal, trumpet and tymbal, and the tender soothing flute.*

The lily, white in blossom there is chastity;  
the violet with sweet perfume, humility. *(Refrain).*

The crown imperial bloometh too in yonder place,  
This charity of stock divine, the flow'r of grace. *(Refrain)*

Yet 'mid the brave, the bravest prize of all may claim,  
the Star of Bethlehem Jesus blessed be his name! *(Refrain)*

Ah! Jesu Lord, my heal and weal, my bliss complete,  
Make thou my heart thy garden plot, fair, trim and neat.  
That I may hear this musick clear; harp, dulcimer, lute,  
with cymbal, trumpet and tymbal, and the tender soothing flute.

## ANTHEM

O Child of the Nations  
The Sacred Harp

arr. by Howard Helvey

O Child of the nations, with love, we behold!  
Renew us again through the stories of old.

O Come, Branch of Jesse; our hearts You inspire!  
Awaken our spirit, O dearest Desire.

With angels and prophets, we long for Your birth  
foretold through the ages, announcing Your worth.

O come, Key of David; our minds You inspire!  
We welcome Your presence, O dearest Desire.

O Jesus, revealed as an infant and King,  
give voice to faith's infancy rising to sing!

O come, shining Dayspring; our souls You inspire!  
We live in Your living, O dearest Desire.

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## FIFTH LESSON

## St Luke ii

Sam Laidlaw

*St Luke tells of the birth of Jesus*

\*HYMN

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

Words : Issac Watts, 1719 (Ps. 98:4-9)

Music: Lowell Mason (from G.F. Handel)

Introduction by Walter L. Pelz

Organ Accompaniment by Antony Baldwin

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.

Joy to the world, 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.

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.

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.

SIXTH LESSON

St. John i

Paul Simpson Duke

*St John unfolds the mystery of the Incarnation*

ANTHEM

O Magnum Mysterium

William Byrd

Edited by Leonard van Camp

O Magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum.  
Ut animalia viderent Dominum natum jacentem. Jacentem in praesepio.

Translation:

O great mystery and wondrous sacrament,  
that animals might see the birth of the Lord as He lay in the manger.

SEVENTH LESSON

1 John iv

Nancy Rushton

*St John exhorts us to love one another*

ANTHEM

What Sweeter Music

John Rutter

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol, for to sing the birth of this our  
heavenly King? Awake the voice! Awake the string!

Dark and dull night, fly hence away, and give the honour to this day that sees December  
turned to May.

Why does the chilling winter's morn smile, like a field beset with corn? Or smell like a  
meadow newly shorn thus on the sudden? Come and see the cause, why things thus  
fragrant be:

Tis He is born, whose quick'ning birth gives life and lustre, public mirth, to heaven and  
the underearth.

We see him come, and know him ours, who, with his sunshine and his show'rs, turns the  
patient ground to flow'rs.

The darling of the world is come, and fit it is we find a room to welcome him,

The nobler part of all the house here, is the heart, which we will give him, and  
Bequeath this holly, and this ivy wreath, to do him honour; who's our King and  
Lord of all this reveling.

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol for to sing the birth of this our  
heav'nly King.

\*HYMN

Silent Night, Holy Night

*STILLE NACHT*

Words: Joseph Mohr

Music: Franz Grüber

Introduction and Verse 1 arr. by Shin-Ae Chun

Verse 4 arr. by Mark Hayes

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!

\*COLLECT (IN UNISON)

O God, who makes us glad with the yearly expectation of your coming,  
grant that we, who with joy receive your only Son as our Redeemer,  
may without fear behold him when he shall come to be our Judge,  
even your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

\*HYMN

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

*MENDELSSOHN*

Words: Charles Wesley

Music: Felix Mendelssohn

Introduction and Verse 1 arr. by Tim Doran

Verse 3 arr. by David Willcocks

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 th'angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King.

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold him come offspring of a virgin's womb:  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, hail th'incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King.

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings;  
Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King.

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*This Endris Nyght*

Healey Willan  
(1880-1968, Canadian)

*Sussex Carol*

Sondra Tucker  
(b.1957, American)

The Festival of Lessons and Carols was first presented at First Baptist Church on Christmas Eve, 1970. John Reed, the Sanctuary Choir Director of First Baptist for over 40 years, had a vision that this service, in all its splendor and beauty should become part of the tradition at First Baptist Church Ann Arbor. Our service is patterned after a similar service presented annually since the close of World War I in King's College, Cambridge, itself based on ancient sources. This past February, at the age of ninety nine, John Reed went home to be with our Lord. The Sanctuary Choir would like to dedicate this year's Festival of Lessons and Carols to our beloved John, knowing that both he and Dot, his beloved wife, are with us in spirit, commemorating once again the light of our Lord Jesus Christ coming into the world.

*Announcements:*

Childcare is available on the third floor for infants through first grade. Older children are invited to take an activity packet, available at the entrances.

Please turn off all cell phones.

Donations for the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering 2018 will continue to be received throughout the month of December. Envelopes are available in the pews, and offering plates are near the exit doors. Please give generously.

Please join us on Sunday mornings for our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

*Special thanks to*

The Sanctuary Choir

*Soloists:* Emmanuel Morgan, Samuel Kidd

*Readers:* Derek Bingham, Marissa Alaniz, Stacey Simpson Duke, Xan Morgan,

Sam Laidlaw, Paul Simpson Duke, Nancy Rushton

*Acolytes:* Syd Weissinger, Rob Duke, Max Halliday, Sam Halliday

*Ushers:* Mary Davis, Rob Duke, Geoff and Jeanette Halliday, Max Halliday,

Sam Halliday, Roberta Hause, Sam and Louisa Laidlaw

*Sanctuary Decorations:* David and Maryann Bowen, Geoff Halliday, Max Halliday,

Bob and Bonnie Kidd, Nancy Paul, Katie Kerschbaum, Astrid Beck ,

Anna Moyer, David and Joyce Robbins, Cynthia Redinger, Sue Ellen Glover

*Sextons:* Eduardo Cervi, Chance Stine, Anjali Nemorin

*Sound:* Chris Duke

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Dee & Madeline Drake

The marriage of Katharine Griffin Drake  
and Michael Griffin Drake

Paul & Stacey Simpson Duke

Our church family

Esther Floyd

The Floyd Boys

The Hallidays

Our Church leadership -

Paul, Stacey, Xan & Bonnie

The Juchartz family

Mervyn Juchartz

Bonnie & Bob Kidd

The First Baptist Choir

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Maria Alaniz and Murphy Stumpf

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*\*\* Please take your poinsettias home after the service. \*\**