



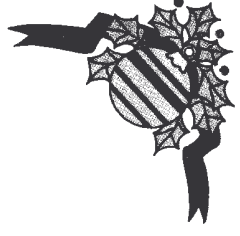
“Music and readings for Christmas”

Saturday 14th December 2002

Programme

Hodie Christus natus est	Sweelinck (1562-1621)
Reading: Santa's Prayer on Christmas Eve by Warren Jennings	Andrew Blake
In the bleak mid-winter	Darke (1888-1976)
Reading: The "Hole" Story by Isobel Taylor	Heather Sims
Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt	Schütz (1585-1672)
Reading: "Christmas 1914" from 'Old Soldiers Never Die' by Frank Richards	Mike Anamin
Lying the Ox's stall within	French trad. arr. Scott (1876-1965)
Reading: "Christmas in NW1" from 'Writing Home' by Alan Bennett	Dimmy Barker & Stephen Blinman
Virga Jesse	Bruckner (1824-1896)
————— Interval —————	
Bethlehem Down	Warlock (1894-1930)
Reading: Journey of the Magi by T.S. Eliot	Bridget Procter

O magnum mysterium	de Victoria (1549-1611)
Reading: "The Mysteries of Christmas" from 'Notes from a Big Country' by Bill Bryson	Mike Anamin
Born today is the child divine	French trad. arr. Scott (1876-1965)
Reading: "Carol Barking" from 'Cider with Rosie' by Laurie Lee	Georgina Seaman
Lullaby, my sweet little baby	Byrd (1542-1623)
Reading: The Lion and Albert by Morriott Edgar	Barrie Seaman
Ding dong merrily on high	arr. Williamson (b.1931)
O little town of Bethlehem	
Verses 1 & 3 - Choir only	
v2 For Christ is born of Mary; and, gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love. O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth, And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.	
v4 O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell: O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.	



This performance is dedicated to the memory of Keith Iles, a founder member of the choir.

Hodie Christus natus est.
Noel, Noel.
Hodie, Salvator apparuit, Alleluja.
Hodie in terra canunt angeli.
Lactantur archangeli.
Noel, Noel.
Hodie exultant justi dicentes:
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Alleluja, Noel, Noel.

Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt,
Dass er seinen eingebornen Sohn gab.
Auf das alle, die an ihn glauben,
Nicht verloren werden.
Sondern das ewige Leben haben.

Virga Jesse floruit:
Virgo Deum et hominem genuit:
Pacem Deus redidit,
In se reconcilians ima summis.
Alleluja.

O magnum mysterium,
Et admirabile sacramentum,
Ut animalia viderunt Dominum natum,
Iacentem in praeseptio.
O beata Virgo,
Cuius viscera meruerunt portare
Dominum Jesum Christum.
Alleluia.

Today is Christ Born:
Noel, Noel.
Today the Saviour has appeared. Alleluja.
Today the angels sing.
The archangels rejoice:
Noel, Noel.
Today the righteous rejoice, saying:
Glory to God in the highest.
Alleluja, Noel, Noel.

God so loved the world
that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whoever believes in him
should not perish
but have eternal life.

The rod of Jesse hath blossomed: A virgin
hath brought forth one who was both God
and man: God hath given back peace to man,
reconciling the lowest with the highest to
himself. Alleluja.

O great mystery
and wonderful sacrament,
that beasts should see the new-born Lord
lying in their manger.
O blessed virgin
whose womb was worthy to bear
Lord Jesus Christ
Alleluia.

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There are limited vacancies in some voices and applications are welcome from singers of an appropriate standard.

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