



President Patricia Parkes

Conductor Michael Cayton



Christmas Cheer!

Saturday 8 December 2018

Chorleywood Memorial Hall

Welcome

A very warm welcome to you all, and we hope that you enjoy our 2018 Chiltern Choir Christmas Concert. The programme includes some popular carols of the Festive Season and we invite you to sing some of them with us.



You will also have the opportunity to listen to the Chiltern Singers, a small group of Chiltern Choir members who are becoming very popular at local events. They have sung at festivals, lunchtime and evening concerts, weddings, and funerals, and are only too delighted to receive invitations to sing on such occasions. They can be contacted via our website – **www.chilternchoir.org.uk**.

Our Spring Concert – “Sacred Music through the Ages” – will be performed on Saturday 30th March 2019 at St Mary’s Church Rickmansworth, and we will be having an open rehearsal on Tuesday 15th January 2019 for anyone thinking of joining us. This is an ideal opportunity to try us out before committing yourself; we rehearse in the Free Church, Hillside Rd, Chorleywood at 7.50 pm.

We shall be taking a shortened version of our Spring Concert repertoire on tour to Slovakia in May 2019, and our performances will include a lunchtime concert in St Stephen’s Cathedral in the heart of Vienna and an evening concert in one of Bratislava’s Jesuit churches.

For the last concert of the 2018–2019 season we will be back again at Sarratt Village Hall for a summer evening of Opera Choruses – always a favourite with our loyal friends and patrons, so be sure to book those tickets early. Full details can always be found on our website.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.



Ana de’Ath
Chiltern Choir Treasurer

Programme

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Mendelssohn. Verse 3 arranged by David Willcocks.

1.
Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born 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 new-born King.*

2.
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, th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

*Hark! the herald angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King.*

3.
Hail! the heaven-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 new-born King.*

Deck the Hall

Welsh traditional carol, arranged by David Willcocks.

The Angel Gabriel

Basque carol, arranged by Michael Cayton. Soloist Gijs Crone.

Born on a New Day (Duet)

John David. Christmas version by Phillip Lawson.
Soloists Sarah Moreton & Christine Guy.

Sans Day Carol

Cornish traditional carol, arranged by John Rutter.

Ding Dong! Merrily on High

16th-century French melody, harmonized by Charles Wood.

In Dulci Jubilo

Old German carol, arranged by R. L. Pearsall.

Once in Royal David's City

H. J. Gauntlett. Verses 1–4 harmonized by A. H. Mann,
verse 5 arranged by David Willcocks.

1. (Choir only)

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.

2. (Choir only)

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 Saviour holy.

3. (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.

4. (All)

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.

6. (All)

Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him; but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
Where like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

***The Colours of Christmas* (Chiltern Singers)**

John Rutter.

***The Holly and the Ivy* (Chiltern Singers)**

Traditional Carol, arranged by John Gardner.

Silent Night

Franz Gruber, arranged by Nelson Riddle.

Myn Lyking

R. R. Terry.

Here We Come a-Wassailing

English traditional carol, arranged by John Rutter.

Good King Wenceslas

Melody from *Piae Cantiones* (1582), arranged by David Willcocks.

1. (Choir only)

Good King Wenceslas looked out
On the Feast of Stephen,
When the snow lay round about,
Deep, and crisp and even:
Brightly shone the moon that night,
Though the frost was cruel,
When a poor man came in sight,
Gath'ring winter fuel.

2. (Men)

'Hither, page, and stand by me,
If thou know'st it, telling'
Yonder peasant, who is he?
Where and what his dwelling?'
(Ladies)
'Sire, he lives a good league hence,
Underneath the mountain,
Right against the forest fence,
By Saint Agnes' fountain.'

3. (Men)

'Bring me flesh, and bring me wine,
Bring me pine logs hither:
Thou and I will see him dine,
When we bear them thither.'
(All)
Page and monarch, forth they went,
Forth they went together:
Through the rude wind's wild lament
And the bitter weather.

4. (Ladies)

Sire, the night is darker now,
And the wind blows stronger;
Fails my heart, I know not how;
I can go no longer.'
(Men)
'Mark my footsteps, good my page;
Tread thou in them boldly:
Thou shalt find the winter's rage
Freeze thy blood less coldly.'

(continued)

5. (All)
In his masters step he trod,
Where the snow lay dinted;
Heat was in the very sod
Which the Saint had printed.
Therefore, Christian men, be sure,
Wealth or rank possessing,
Ye, who now will bless the poor,
Shall yourselves find blessing.

In the Bleak Mid-winter

Harold Darke.

A Christmas Tale (Reading)

Jacqueline Ramm, read by Sue Lloyd.

Christmas Night

Melody from Arbeau's *Orchésographie*, arranged by John Rutter.

Glory, Glory, Glory to the Newborn King

Spiritual, with added material and arrangement by Moses Hogan.

O Come, All ye Faithful

J. F. Wade, arranged by David Willcocks.

1.
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.*

2.
God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten not created.

*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

(continued)

3.

Lo! Star-led chieftains,
Magi, Christ adoring,
Offer him incense, gold and myrrh;
We to the Christ Child,
Bring our hearts' oblations.

*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

4.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
Glory to God,
In the highest:

*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.*

5.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born that happy morning;
Jesu, to Thee be 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.*



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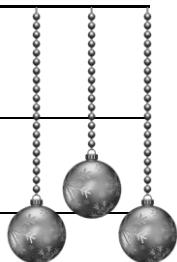
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Maria Struckova, Accompanist



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Soprano

Caroline Bartlett*	Hilary Broadbent*	Anni Facer	Gabrielle Fisher
Jenny Gorsuch	Christine Guy	Jill Haslam*	Diane Hunt
Barbara Johnson	Sue Kesteven	Sue Lloyd	Sarah Moreton
Merriss Ratliff*	Beverley Small	Hilary Walmsley	Lyndsay Ward
Gillian Watson			

Alto

Cathy Amos	Sue Canderton	Roy Cottrell	Ana de'Ath*
Jan Ellis	Philippa Goss	Helen Heenan*	Clare Hearnshaw
Anne Keyworth*	Charlotte Kohnhorst	Sylvia Lawman	Liz Pendered
Gillian Pugh	Maggie Shrive	Brenda Tomsett	Susan Treanor
Jenny West	Beryl Whittaker		

Tenor

Gijs Crone	Colin Parkes	Richard Watson
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Bass

Steve Anderson	Henry Bell*	John Haslam*	Keith Pulford*
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- Complimentary tickets to our concerts during the season
- Advance publicity
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Free Church, Hillside Ave., Chorleywood. WD3 5AP

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Join us at a normal rehearsal
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