

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT

THE INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH CHOIR & ORCHESTRA

DECEMBER 12, 2021

4:00 P.M.

DR. JEFF R. McLELLAND,  
*CONDUCTOR*

KRISTINE HURST-WAJSZCZUK, *SOPRANO*

JANET ORT, *SOPRANO*

BETH MIDDLETON, *MEZZO SOPRANO*

MEAGAN MALONE, *ALTO*

NICK MATHES, *TENOR*

RICHARD STUMP, *BASS*



REV. KEVIN J. LONG, *PASTOR*

INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA



"Magnificat in C".....Charles Villiers Stanford  
(1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Luke 1:46-55*

A Christmas Feast.....arr. Matthew Naughtin

- "Ding Dong! Merrily on High" (b. 1947)
- "Verbum caro factum est"
- "Gaudete"
- "Quanno nascete ninno" (*Carol of the Bagpipers*)
- "Coventry Carol"

HYMN 349 - "Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us" (*all stand and sing*).....  
attr. Philipp Nicolai  
(1556-1608)

"Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us; the shout of rampart guards surrounds us: "Awake, Jerusalem, arise!" Midnight's peace their cry has broken, their urgent summons clearly spoken: "The time has come, O maidens wise! Rise up, and give us light; the Bridegroom is in sight. Alleluia! Your lamps prepare and hasten there, that you the wedding feast may share." Zion hears the watchmen singing; her heart with joyful hope is springing; she wakes and hurries through the night. Forth he comes, her Bridegroom glorious in strength of grace, truth victorious: her star is risen, her light grows bright. Now come, most worthy Lord, God's Son, incarnate Word, Alleluia! We follow all and heed your call to come into the banquet hall. Lamb of God, heavens adore you; let saints and angels sing before you, as harps and cymbals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the city's portals: through them we stream to join the immortals as we with joy your throne surround. No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such delight: Alleluia! Therefore we sing to greet our King; for ever let our praises ring.

*Philipp Nicolai, trans. Carl P. Daw, Jr.*

"Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme," BWV 140.....Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

I.

Beth Middleton, *Mezzo Soprano*

Nick Mathes, *Tenor*

Richard Stump, *Bass*

Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us; The shout of rampart guards surrounds us: "Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"  
Midnight's peace their cry has broken, Their urgent summons clearly spoken: "The time has come, O maidens  
wise! Rise up, and give us light; The Bridegroom comes, the Bridegroom is in sight! Alleluia! Your lamps  
prepare, and hasten there That you the wedding feast may share."

IV.

Zion hears the watchman singing, her heart with joyful hope is springing: She wakes and hurries through the  
strength of grace, in truth victorious: Her star is risen, her light grows bright. Now come, most worthy Lord,  
God's Son, Incarnate Word, Alleluia! We follow all and heed Your call to come into the banquet hall.

VII.

Lamb of God, the heav'ns adore You; Let saints and angels sing before You, As harps and cymbals swell the  
sound, Twelve great pearls, the city's portals; Through them we stream to join the immortals As we with joy  
Your throne surround. No eye has known the sight, No ear heard such delight. Alleluia! Therefore we sing to  
greet our King; Forever let our praises ring.

*Philipp Nicolai*

Silent Night..... arr. by Edward David Zeliff

I. Gloria

*Gloria in excelsis Deo.*  
Glory be to God on high.

II. Et in terra pax hominibus

*Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.*  
And on earth peace, good will towards men.

III. Laudamus te

Janet Ort, *Soprano*, and Kristine Hurst-Wajszczuk, *Soprano*  
*Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.*  
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee.

IV. Gratias agimus tibi

*Gratias agimus tibi.*  
We give thanks to thee.

V. Propter magnam gloriam tuam

*Propter magnum gloriam tuam.*  
For thy great glory,

VI. Domine Deus

Kristine Hurst-Wajszczuk, *Soprano*  
*Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.*  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

VII. Domine Fili unigenite

*Domini Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.*  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ.

VIII. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei

Meagan Malone, *Alto*  
*Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.*  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father; that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

IX. Qui tollis peccata mundi

*Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.*  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

X. Qui sedes ad dexteram

Beth Middleton, *Mezzo Soprano*  
*Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.*  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

XI. Quoniam tu solus sanctus

*Quoniam tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.*  
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Jesus Christ, art most high.

XII. Cum Sancto Spiritu

*Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris, Amen.*  
With the Holy Ghost, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# The Independent Presbyterian Church Choir



Dr. Jeff R. McLelland, Conductor and Director

## *SOPRANO*

Stephanie Daviston  
Beth Middleton\*  
Janet Ort\*  
Melissa Self Patrick  
Leah Pickett  
Ginni Robertson  
Kate Waters

## *ALTO*

Carter Cooper  
Kelley Feagin  
Meagan Malone\*  
Debbie Medenica  
Sally Reilly  
Karen Shadinger  
Angelyn Simmons  
Sally Speaker  
Jane Stump  
Marliese Thomas  
Katie Woodruff

## *TENOR*

Rita Gibbon  
Debbie Gray  
Jon Kassaw  
Nick Mathes\*  
Greg Roberson

## *BASS*

Bill Casey  
Foster Cook  
Lant Davis  
Doc Feagin  
Andrew Hicks  
Jeff Johnson  
Bentley Patrick  
Xavier Roberson  
Richard Stump\*

\* *denotes soloist*



## **Orchestra**

### *VIOLIN I*

Daniel Szasz  
Mayumi Masri  
Viktor Dulguerov

### *VIOLA*

Zak Enikeev  
Rene Reder

### *OBOE*

Siobhan Ciulla

### *VIOLIN II*

Yuriko Yasuda  
Tara Mueller  
Pei-Ju Wu

### *CELLO*

Warren Samples  
Hellen Weberpal

### *TRUMPET*

Brad Sargent  
Joe Ardovino

### *KEYBOARD*

Amy McLelland

*BASS*  
Alex Horton

## Announcements

**THE SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS:** Join IPC to honor the birth of the Christ Child. We are offering our traditional Christmas Eve service at both 4 pm and 6 pm. Arrive early to get a seat for one of these beautiful candlelight services that includes carols, prayers, and scripture readings in celebration of the season. The 4 pm service will available via livestream, and doors open at 3 pm. Childcare is available for both services. For the latest updates, please visit our website at [ipc-usa.org](http://ipc-usa.org).

**THE IPC CHOIR** has CDs available for purchase such as *A Babe is Born*, a Christmas recording that includes many of the pieces from the annual Service of Nine Lessons and Carols (\$20.00 each). The choir also sells stained glass roundels such as the Nativity from various windows throughout the church. The complete set of five renderings is available. The cost is \$45.00 each or 3 for \$120.00. CDs and roundels are available for purchase at [ipc-usa.org/connect](http://ipc-usa.org/connect) or from the Music Office at the church. For questions, call the Music Office at 205-933-3700, or e-mail [rfairless@ipc-usa.org](mailto:rfairless@ipc-usa.org).



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