

SPIRIT OF THE SEASON
CHESTER RIVER CHORALE

Ann Turpin, Artistic Director

- Of the Father's Love Begotten* 13th century plainsong
Once in Royal David's City arr. David Wilcocks
 Soloist: Clara Ferrari
The audience is invited to join in the singing verses 3 and 4.
Sussex Carol arr. Martin Dicke
How Far Is It to Bethlehem? arr. Robert Shaw/Alice Parker
Wassail Song Ralph Vaughan Williams
Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella Traditional French, arr. Stephen Chatman
Christ Was Born on Christmas Day arr. Shaw/Parker
 Soloists: Brenda Moyer, Jack Shaum
Ma Town (How Goodly) Louis Lewandowski
 Soloist: Gary Schiff, Cantor
Havdoloh (Separation) Zavel Zilberts
 Soloist: Gary Schiff, Cantor

CHESTER CHAMBER SINGERS
Jonathan Emmons, Conductor

- Gloria in altissimis Deo* from *Oratorio de Noël, op. 12* Camille Saint-Saëns
Three Latvian Carols Andrejs Jansons
 I. *Ziemassvētku nakts (Christmas Night)*
 II. *Meklētāja ceļš (The Christmas Rose)*
 III. *Ai, nama mamiņa (The Christmas Season)*
Tollite hostias from *Oratorio de Noël, op. 12* Saint-Saëns

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- Personent Hodie (On this Day)* 13th century Germany, arr. Gustav Holst
Gesu Bambino Pietro Yon
 Soloists: Jack Shaum and Wesley Dessesow
The Huron Carol Traditional Native American, arr. Chatman
 Soloists: Elizabeth Gross, Linda Ruggles, Mary Grace Brosius,
 Debbie Nevins, Wesley Dessesow,
 Allen LaMontague, and Thomas Schreppler
Awake, Arise and Hail the Morn From *The Sacred Harp*, arr. Mack Wilberg
A Christmas Garland Conrad Susa
 Soloists: Wesley Dessesow, Robin Wood and Jack Shaum
The audience is invited to join in the singing, following the lead of the conductor.
Hallelujah From *Messiah*, George Frideric Handel

The audience is invited to join in singing:

Once in Royal David's City, verses 3 and 4

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.	And our eyes as 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.
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A Christmas Garland: God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen; the refrain of *We Three Kings*;
O Come All Ye Faithful, verses 1 and 2; and *Joy to the World*, verses 1 and 2

<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> , verse 2 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, Christ the Lord!	<i>Joy to the World</i> , verse 2 He rules the world! In 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.
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