

# Moravian College

# Campus Christmas Service

## Hodie Christus Natus Est

Cantus Diversi, 1751

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.

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.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n; 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.

Dr. Raymond S. Haupert, '22, B.D. '24, President, Moravian College

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

All things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made.

Holy, Holy, is the Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

For the law was given through Moses, Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

No one has ever seen God.

The only Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has made him known.

In him was life, and the life was the light of men. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. He came to his own home, and his own people received him not.

But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

THE FIRST LESSON: The Gospel according to St. Luke 2:1-12...

John Bruce Mumie
Men's Council President

#### THE MORAVIAN SINGERS

Lauda Sion Salvatorem

Laud Him, Christians, laud your Savior,
Laud your Shepherd, laud your Master
with voices and instruments!
Laud Him Lord and King of glory,
Tire ye cannot of the story of the Savior Heaven sent,
With Cherubin and Seraphim we sing to Thee, dear
Jesus.

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Lord, our dark night Thou hast broken,
And Thy dwelling here Thou hast taken,
Shining through the darksome night.
Lord we praise Thy deep compassion
Which Thou showest in this fashion,
Bringing us Thy holy Light.
With Cherubim and Seraphim we sing to Thee, dear
Jesus.

Now let mortal tongues adore Thee,
Angel anthems come before Thee,
Christ, Thou Child of Bethlehem.
Let the tidings of salvation
Be the joy of ev'ry nation,
Allelujahs rise from men.
With Cherubim and Seraphim we sing to Thee, dear Jesus.
Zoltan Biro, '33, and Brigitt Schulz, Violins; George Guker, 'cello
David Diehl. '57. Organ

THE SECOND LESSON: The Gospel according to St. Matthew 2:1-12.

Women's Council President

Stille Nacht Joseph Mohr, 1818

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.

Jesu, rufe mich Adam Drese, 1698

Jesus, call Thou me, from the world to Thee; Speed me ever, stay me never; Jesus call Thou me.

Not Jerusalem—lowly Bethlehem
'Twas that gave us Christ to save us;
Not Jerusalem.

Franz Gruber, 1818

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.

Adam Drese, 1698

Favored Bethlehem! honored is that name; Thence came Jesus to release us; Favored Bethlehem!

Wondrous Child divine! warm this heart of mine; Keep it burning, for Thee yearning, Wondrous Child divine! THE MORAVIAN COLLEGE CHOIR

..Richard Schantz, Director

Personent Hodie

On this day earth shall ring With the song children sing To the Lord, Christ our King, Born on earth to save us; Him the Father gave us.

His the doom, ours the mirth; When He came down to earth, Bethlehem saw His birth; Ox and ass beside Him, From the cold would hide Him. Piae Cantiones

God's bright star, o'er His head, Wise men three to Him led, Kneel they low by His bed, Lay their gifts before Him, Praise Him and adore Him.

On this day angels sing; With their song earth shall ring, Praising Christ, Heaven's King, Born on earth to save us. Peace and love He gave us.

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Rejoice and Be Merry

Rejoice and be merry in songs and in mirth!
O praise our Redeemer, all mortals on earth!
For this is the birthday of Jesus our King,
Who brought us salvation—His praises we'll sing!

A heavenly vision appeared in the sky; Vast numbers of angels the shepherds did spy, Proclaiming the birthday of Jesus our King, Who brought us salvation—His praises we'll sing!

A Virgin Most Pure

A virgin most pure, as the prophets do tell, Hath brought forth a baby as it hath befel, To be our Redeemer from death, hell, and sin, Which Adam's transgression hath wrapped us in.

The King of all kings to the world being brought, Small store of fine linen to wrap Him was sought, And when she had swaddled her young son so sweet, Within an ox manger she laid Him to sleep.

Alleluia, Amen.

Bethlehem Down

"When He is King we will give Him the Kings' gifts, Myrrh for its sweetness and gold for a crown, Beautiful robes," said the young girl to Joseph, Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight— Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold, Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

Sing We Merrily unto God our Strength

Sing we merrily unto God our strength,
Make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.
Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret,
The merry harp with the lute.
Blow up the trumpet in the new moon,
Even in the time appointed,
And upon our solemn feast day.

English Carol

Likewise a bright star in the sky did appear, Which led the three kings from the East to draw near, So blessed forever be Jesus our King, Who brought us salvation—His praises we'll sing!

Medieval Carol

Then God sent an angel from heaven so high To certain poor shepherds in fields where they lie, And bade them no longer in sorrow to stay, Because that our Saviour was born on this day.

Aye and therefore be merry, rejoice and be you merry, Set sorrows aside.

Christ Jesus our Savior was born on this tide.

Randall Thompson (1899-

Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

Here He has peace and a short while for dreaming, Closehuddled oxen to keep Him from cold, Mary for love, and for lullaby music Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

Martin Shaw (1876-

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: They will be always praising thee. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: In whose heart are thy ways. Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well: And the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength, Sing, make a cheerful noise.
Sing we merrily unto God.

Johann Scheffler

Morning Star, O cheering sight! Ere Thou cam'st how dark earth's night! Jesus mine, in me shine; Fill my heart with light divine.

Morning Star, Thy glory bright Far excels the sun's clear light: Jesus be, constantly, More than thousand suns to me. F. F. Hagen, Moravian College, 1835-1842

Thy glad beams, thou Morning Star, Cheer the nations near and far; Thee we own, Lord alone, Man's great Saviour, God's dear Son.

Morning Star, my soul's true Light,
Tarry not, dispel my night;
Jesus mine, in me shine;
Fill my heart with light divine.

Janet Ann Heller, soloist

### THE DISTRIBUTION OF CANDLES

Behold, a great, a heavenly light, From Bethlehem's manger shining bright, Around those who in darkness dwell, The night of evil to dispel.

What heights, what depths of love divine, In Thy blest incarnation shine! Let heaven and earth unite their lays, To magnify Thy boundless grace.

Incarnate God, exert Thy power; Arise, Thou glorious Conqueror; Subdue sin, death, and every foe, Erect Thy kingdom here below. Light immortal, Light Divine Visit Thou these hearts of Thine, And our inmost being fill.

Scatter darkness with Thy light; End the sorrows of the night; Speak the word, and all is bright.

Sun of Peace, no longer stay, Let the shadows flee away, And the long night end in day.

No. 136

No. 60

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright:
So, most gracious Lord may we
Evermore be led to Thee.

As with joyous steps they sped
To that lowly manger-bed,
There to bend the knee before
Him Whom Heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek the mercy-seat.

Holy Jesus! every day
Keep us in the narrow way:
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last,
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

No. 181

Glory to God in the Highest. Gustav Holst (1874-1934)
Peace on Earth among Men in Whom God is well pleased!

Therefore rejoice in God your Savior

For he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared in the presence of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to thy people Israel.

BENEDICTION.......Dr. Samuel C. Zeller, '27, B.D. '29, College Chaplain

