

Moravian College Christmas Vespers

ROBERT W. WOOSLEY, JR., *Liturgist*

Moravian College Choir, RICHARD SCHANTZ, *Conductor*

MONICA SCHANTZ, *Organ*

THE PRELUDE

Gordon Jacob (b. 1895)

Interlude

Orlando di Lasso (1530-94)

Providebam Dominum

Volckmar Leisring (1588-1637)

Let All The Nations Praise The Lord

Moravian College Brass Choir

Lee Hoiby (b. 1926)

A Hymn of the Nativity

Come we shepherds who have seen Day's king deposed
by night's queen. Come lift we up our lofty song,
to wake the sun that sleeps too long. O Thou born
King of loves, of lights, of joys! Look up, sweet
Babe, look up and see for love of Thee thus far,
thus far from home the East is come to seek herself
in Thy sweet eyes.

(Richard Crashaw, 1612-1649)

Nannette Mason, *soprano*

Jeffrey Kneebone, *baritone*

Sing, O heaven, and be joyful, O earth, for the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it!

*Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He hath visited and redeemed His people. The dayspring from on high hath
visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but
have eternal life.

Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift!

In him was life; and the life was the light of men. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the
world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

But as many as received him, to them gave he the right to become children of God.

Central Moravian Church

Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

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