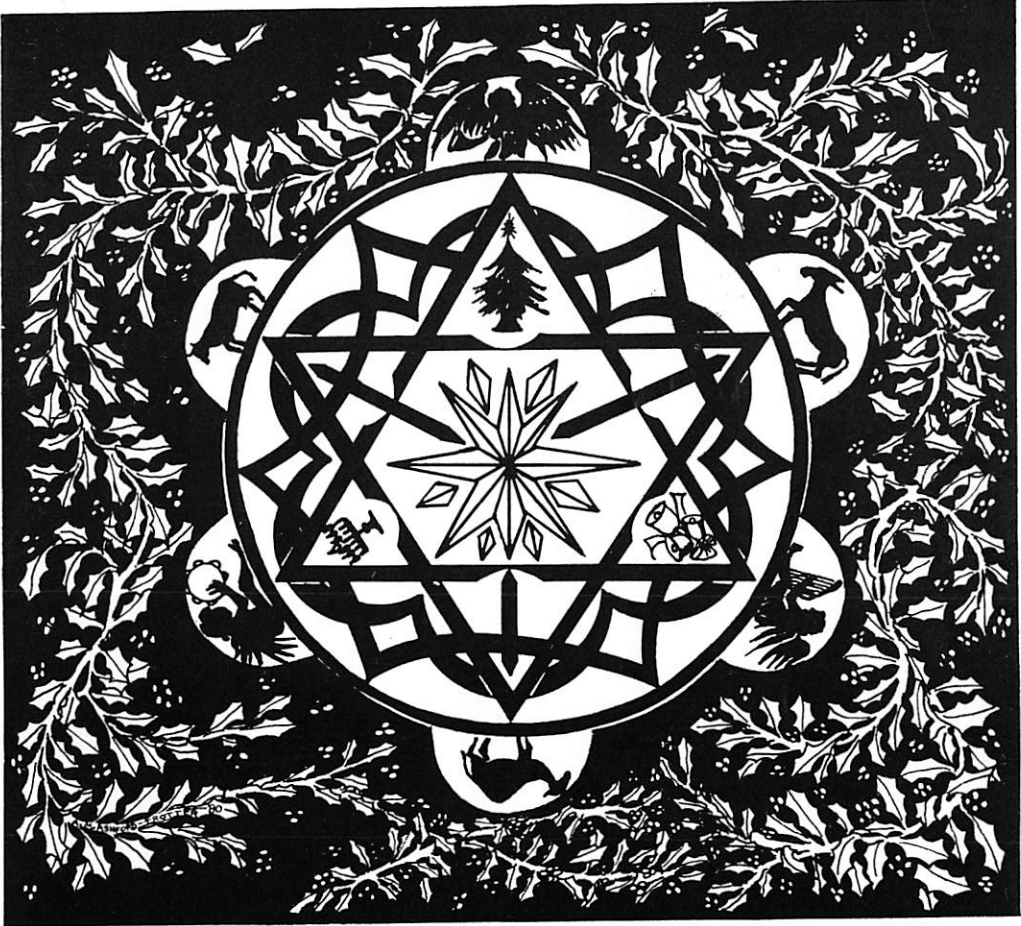


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—Program—

A Virgin Most Pure ( <i>trad. English</i> )	arr. Charles Wood
The Gift Carol ( <i>Spanish</i> )	arr. Pfautsch
O Magnum Mysterium	Tomas Luis de Victoria
Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day ( <i>trad. English</i> )	arr. David Wilcox
Away In A Manger	arr. David Wilcox
O Come, Little Children	arr. James Fritschel

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The Shepherd's Farewell ( <i>from L'enfance du Christ</i> )	Hector Berlioz
Three Carols Tyrley Tyrlow — Balulalow — The Sycamore Tree	Peter Warlock
A Ceremony of Carols	Benjamin Britten
1. Procession	6. This Little Babe
2. Wolcum Yole!	7. Interlude
3. There Is No Rose	8. In Freezing Winter Night
4a. That Yonge Child	9. Spring Carol
4b. Balulalow	10. Deo Gracias
5. As Dew In Aprille	11. Recession

*Judy Dow, harp*

— INTERMISSION —

## Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming

I. Michael Praetorius

II. Vulpus

III. Hugo Distler

IV. George Shangrow

## O Magnum Mysterium

Francis Poulenc

## Carol Of The Bells (*Ukrainian*)

arr. Peter Wilhousky

## Rocking (*Czech*)

arr. David Wilcox

## Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (*Polish*)

arr. David Wilcox

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## What Cheer?

William Walton

## The Blessed Son Of God (*from Hodie*)

R. Vaughn Williams

## No Sad Thought His Soul Afright (*from Hodie*)

R. Vaughn Williams

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We invite our audience to sing along with us, as indicated, on the following carols:

*Everyone:* Joy to the World

The First Nowell

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Good King Wenceslas (as indicated on text page)

The Friendly Beasts

*SCS:* Wassail Song arr. by Leighton

*Everyone:* Here We Come A-Wassailing

*SCS:* Wassail Song arr. by R. Vaughn Williams

*Everyone:* God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

*SCS:* God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen arr. by Wagner

*Everyone:* Deck the Halls

*SCS:* Deck the Halls arr. by Cole

*Everyone:* We Wish You A Merry Christmas

*SCS:* A Merry Christmas arr. by Warrell

## **O Magnum Mysterium** (translation from the Latin)

O great mystery and wondrous sacrament,  
That animals might see the birth of the Lord  
As He lay in the manger.

O, Blessed Virgin,  
Who was worthy of bearing our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Alleluia.

# Carol Texts for Audience Sing along

## Joy To The World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come.  
Let earth receive her king.  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And Heaven and Nature sing . . . .  
He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love . . . .

## The First Nowell

The first nowell, the angel did say,  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields  
as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their  
sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so  
deep;

(refrain) Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the East beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and  
night.

(refrain)

And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from country  
far;  
To seek for a king was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it  
went.

(refrain)

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
That hath made heaven and earth of  
nought,  
And with his blood mankind hath  
bought.

(refrain)

## A Merry Christmas

We wish you a merry Christmas . . . ,  
And a happy new year.  
Good tidings we bring to you and your  
kin,  
We wish you a merry Christmas  
And a happy new year.  
Now bring us some figgy pudding . . . ,  
And bring some out here.  
(Good tidings, etc.)

For we all like figgy pudding . . . ,  
So bring some out here.  
(Good tidings, etc.)

And we won't go until we've got  
some . . . ,  
So bring some out here.  
(Good tidings, etc.)

## Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn king;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinner reconciled:  
Joyful all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies,  
With angelic hosts proclaim,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.  
Hark! The herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn king.

Hail the heavenborn Prince of Peace  
Hail the Son of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
Risen 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 newborn king.

## Good King Wenceslas

*All:*

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 gathering winter fuel.

"Hither page and stand by me, if thou know'st it telling,  
Yonder peasant, who is he, where and what his dwelling?"  
"Sire, he lives a good league hence, underneath the mountain,  
Right against the forest fence, by St. Agnes fountain."

*Chamber Singers:*

"Bring me flesh and bring me wine; bring me pine logs hither.  
Thou and I shall see him dine when we bear them thither."  
Page and monarch forth they went, forth they went together,  
Through the rude wind's wild lament and the bitter weather.

"Sire, the night is darker now, and the wind blows stronger.  
Fails my heart, I know not how — I can go no longer."  
"Mark my footsteps well, my page — tread thou in them boldly.  
Thou shalt find the winter's rage freeze thy blood less coldly."

*Audience:*

In his master's steps he trod, where the snow lay dinted.  
Heat was in the very sod which the saint had printed.  
Therefore Christian men be sure — Wealth and rank possessing;  
Ye who now will bless the poor shall yourselves find blessing.

## The Friendly Beasts

Jesus our brother, kind and good,  
Was humbly born in a stable rude,  
And the friendly beasts around him  
stood,  
Jesus our brother, kind and good.  
"I," said the donkey, shaggy and  
brown,  
"I carried His mother up hill and  
down,  
I carried His mother to Bethlehem  
town;  
I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.  
"I," said the cow, all white and red,  
"I gave Him my manger for His bed,  
I gave Him my hay to pillow His head,  
I," said the cow, all white and red.

"I," said the sheep with curly horn,  
"I gave Him my wool for a blanket  
warm,  
He wore my coat on Christmas morn,  
I," said the sheep with curly horn.  
"I," said the dove from the rafters  
high,  
"I cooed Him to sleep that He should  
not cry,  
I cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I,  
I," said the dove from the rafters high.  
Thus every beast by some good spell  
In the stable dark was glad to tell  
Of the gift he gave Emmanuel,  
The gift he gave Emmanuel.

### **Here We Come A-Wassailing**

Here we come a-wassailing among the leaves so green;  
Here we come a-wassailing, so fair to be seen.

(refrain) Love and joy come to you  
And to you your wassail too,  
And God bless you and send you a happy new year  
And God send you a happy new year.

We are not daily beggars that beg from door to door,  
But we are neighbor's children whom you have seen before.

(refrain)

God bless the master of this house, the mistress also,  
And all the little children that 'round the table go.

(refrain)

### **God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen**

God rest ye merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay;  
Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day  
To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray.  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our Heavenly Father, a blessed angel came,  
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same:  
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.  
O tidings etc.

### **Deck The Halls**

Deck the halls with boughs of holly;  
Fa la la la la, la la, la la.  
'Tis the season to be jolly.  
Fa la la . . .  
Don we now our gay apparel;  
Fa la la . . .  
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol.  
Fa la la . . .

See the blazing yule before us;  
Strike the harp and join the chorus.  
Follow me in merry measure;  
While I tell of Yuletide treasure.

Fast away the old year passes;  
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses.  
Sing we joyous all together;  
Heedless of the wind and weather.

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**The Seattle Chamber Singers**, now in their twelfth season, are gaining increasing recognition for their musicality and spirit of interpretation. Seattle critics have named them the best choral group in town. Their *St. Matthew Passion*, *Messiah* and other oratorios and choral works have been enjoyed by hundreds of concertgoers. This season, the Chamber Singers bring two major works to Seattle: *The Seasons* by Haydn on April 4, and Mendelssohn's *Elijah* on May 13.

**George Shangrow**, musical director and founder of the Seattle Chamber Singers, is well known in musical circles of the Northwest. He is music director for University Unitarian Church and is director of choral activities at Seattle Central Community College. A pianist and harpsichordist of critical acclaim, he co-directed the popular Basically Baroque Concert Series and produced the Pacific Chamber Opera. In September 1979, Mr. Shangrow founded the Broadway Chamber Symphony, which this year is producing its own concert season. As an accompanist, he has appeared with leading vocalists and instrumentalists as well as with the Northwest Boychoir. To his credit are appearances as guest conductor for the Northwest Chamber Orchestra, the Seattle Symphony Players Organization and the Seattle Philharmonic.