

Messiah

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

presented by

The Second Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir and Orchestra

Nancy Maria Balach, soprano; Christy Young, alto;

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December 8, 2019

6:00 p.m.

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Part I

*The Prophecy and Fulfillment of God's Plan
to Redeem Mankind through the Coming of the Messiah*

Call to Worship

Tim Russell, pastor

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

Hymn No. 128 (please stand)

Invocation

A Word on Handel's *Messiah*

Isaiah's Prophecy of Salvation

Sinfony

Accompagnato *tenor*

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her,
that her warfare is accomplish'd, that her iniquity is
pardon'd. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,
prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the
desert a highway for our God. (*Isaiah 40:1-3*)

Air

Ev'ry valley shall be exalted, and ev'ry moutain and hill
made low, the crooked straight, and the rough places
plain. (*Isaiah 40:4*)

Chorus

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh
shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath
spoken it. (*Isaiah 40:5*)

The Prophecy of the Coming of Messiah

Accompagnato *bass*

Thus saith the Lord, the Lord of hosts; yet once a little
while, and I will shake the heav'ns and the earth, the
sea, and the dry land. All nations I'll shake, and the
desire of all nations shall come. (*Haggai 2:6-7*)

The Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His
temple, ev'n the messenger of the covenant, whom ye
delight in; behold, He shall come, saith the Lord of
hosts. (*Malachi 3:1*)

Air *alto*

But who may abide the day of His coming, and who
shall stand when He appeareth? For He is like a refiner's
fire. (*Malachi 3:2*)

Chorus

And He shall purify the sons of Levi, that they may
offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.
(*Malachi 3:3*)

The Prophecy of the Virgin Birth

Recitativo *alto*

Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name Emmanuel, "God with us."

(Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23)

Air and Chorus

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain. O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, behold your God! *(Isaiah 40:9)*

Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. *(Isaiah 60:1)*

Accompagnato *bass*

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. *(Isaiah 60:2-3)*

Air

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. *(Isaiah 9:2)*

Chorus

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. *(Isaiah 9:6)*

Worship of God with the Gifts of God

The Appearance of the Angels to the Shepherds

Pifa (Pastoral Symphony)

Recitativo *soprano*

There were shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. *(Luke 2:8)*

Accompagnato

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. *(Luke 2:9)*

Recitativo

And the angel said unto them: "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." *(Luke 2:10-11)*

Accompagnato

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heav'nly host, praising God, and saying: *(Luke 2:13)*

Chorus

"Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will towards men." *(Luke 2:14)*

Air *soprano*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, thy King cometh unto thee; He is the righteous Saviour, and He shall speak peace unto the heathen. *(Zechariah 9:9-10)*

Christ's Redemptive Miracles on Earth

Recitativo *alto*

Then shall the eyes of the blind be open'd, and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing. *(Isaiah 35:5-6)*

Duet *alto, soprano*

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd; and He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. *(Isaiah 40:11)*

Come unto Him, all ye that labour, come unto Him that are heavy laden, and He will give you rest. Take his yoke upon you and learn of Him; for He is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. *(Matthew 11:28-29)*

Chorus

His yoke is easy, and His burden is light. *(Matthew 11:30)*

Benediction *(please stand)*

Chorus *(from Part II)*

Hallelujah: for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. *(Revelation 19:6)*

The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever. *(Revelation 11:15)*

King of Kings, and Lord of Lords *(Revelation 19:16)*

Hallelujah!

The Chancel Choir

Becki Albert	Alan Hammond	Donna Lee	Leslie Shaw
Ginny Atkinson	Kathy Hammond	Rob Liddon	Sam Shaw
Rachel Bennett	John Hammond	Ceasar Lomo	Sam Shaw V
Jerry Bowman	Mike Hillard	Megan Lomo	Jack Siegel
Marjorie Bowman	Marvin Holt	Greg Mason	Joyce Small
Haleigh Boykin	Ekin Huddleston	Karen McCracken	Steve Tackett
Jennifer Brandon	Katie Hutcheson	Daija McNeil	Emily Taylor
Dawn Burgess	Susan Irvin	Colby Morgan	Nelba Thomas
Suzanne Burgar	Macon Ivy	Ramon Moses	Justin Wadkins
Pat Corbitt	Samuel Johnson	Carol Overcast	Tabitha Wadkins
Estelle Curtis	Betty Lu Jones	Haley Overcast	Elizabeth Wall
Heather Davis	Brad Jones	Kackie Person	Lee Wallace
Patti Davis	Nicole Jones	Shelbie Pittman	Susan Warner
Mary Edwards	Warren Jones	Andrea Quinn	Mandy Webb
Jauna Ellis	Harold Knight	Skip Quinn	Lizzy Wesson
Fred Flinn	Rosalyn Lake	Gay Rhodes	Keith Young
Mary Lawrence Flinn	Suzanne Lattimer	Jackie Robertson	Lizzie Young

The Orchestra

<i>Violin 1</i>	<i>Viola</i>	<i>Oboe</i>	<i>Timpani</i>
Barrie Cooper	Michelle Pellay-Walker	Shelly Sublett	Frank Shaffer
Tim Shiu	Beth Luscombe	Saundra D'Amato	
Diane Cohen	Steve Hancock		<i>Percussion</i>
Clay Hancock		<i>Bassoon</i>	Stephanie Hancock
	<i>Cello</i>	Daryn Zubke	Jonathan Huang
<i>Violin 2</i>	Alisha Ruffy		<i>Organ</i>
Jessica Munson	Alisha Horn	<i>Trumpet</i>	Samuel Metzger
Erin Kaste	Kenneth Coca	John Schuesselin	
James Ryan		Jesse Gibbens	<i>Harpichord</i>
	<i>Bass</i>		Angelica Rendek
	Scott Best		

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ADVENT

Festival of Carols: December 15, 6:00 p.m.

Nine Lessons and Carols: December 22, 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Worship: December 24

4:00 p.m. Family Service · 5:30, 8:00 & 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Services



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