

While shepherds watched their flocks

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
All seated on the ground,  
The angel of the Lord came down,  
And glory shone around.

'Fear not,' said he (for mighty dread  
Had seized their troubled mind);  
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
To you and all mankind.'

'To you in David's town this day  
Is born of David's line  
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;  
And this shall be the sign:

'The heav'ly Babe you there shall find  
To human view displayed,  
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,  
And in a manger laid.

'All glory be to God on high,  
And to the earth be peace;  
Good will henceforth from heav'n to men  
Begin and never cease.'

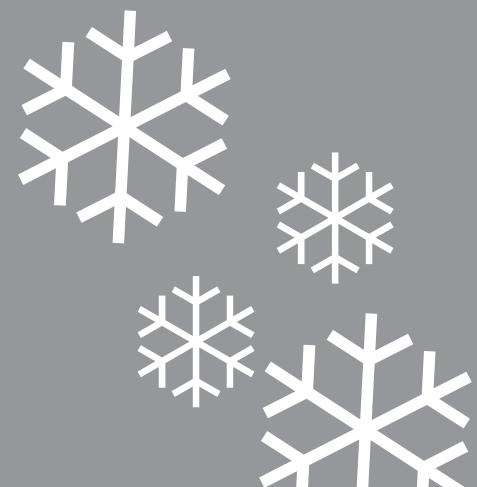
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That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold:  
'Peace on the earth, goodwill to men,  
From heav'n's all gracious King!'  
The world in solemn stillness lay,  
To hear the angels sing.

Yet with the woes of sin and strife  
The world has suffered long;  
Beneath the angel strain have rolled  
Two thousand years of wrong;  
And man, at war with man, hears not  
The love song which they bring:  
O hush the noise, ye men of strife,  
And hear the angels sing!

For lo! The days are hastening on,  
By prophet bards foretold,  
When, with the ever circling years  
Comes round the age of gold;  
When peace shall over all the earth  
Its ancient splendours fling,  
And the whole world give back the song  
Which now the angels sing.

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holds an MA in Musicology from Cardiff School of Music where he gained his passion for choral and orchestral conducting. He has worked professionally with choirs and orchestras across South Wales. He's also an organist, in addition to honing his own vocal talents with the BBC National Chorus of Wales and CBSO Chorus.



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### PROGRAMME



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**Synergy**

**Music and sweet poetry agree in our summer programme featuring the Welsh premiere of Janet Wheeler's song cycle 'Time Becomes a Song' based on the poems of John Clare**



*Please join us tonight in singing...*

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Wassail Song  
(Trad. English arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams)

Puer Natus in Bethlehem  
(Samuel Scheidt)

Shepherds! Awaken from your sleep  
(Trad. Besançon arr. Ian Carpenter)

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Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming  
(Trad. German arr. Michael Praetorius)

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day  
(Trad. English arr. David Willcocks)

Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy  
(Tchaikovsky arr. Jeff Funk)

A New Year Carol  
(Chris Hutchings)

Sussex Carol  
(Trad. English arr. Ian Carpenter)

*Interval  
fizz and mince pies*

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree  
(Johnny Marks arr. Kirby Shaw)

Hush, My Dear, Lie Still and Slumber  
(Isaac Watts arr. Chris Hutchings)

My Lord has Come  
(Will Todd)

Santa Claus is comin' to town  
(Haven Gillespie/Fred Coots arr. Paul Ayres)

Santa Baby  
(Joan Javits, Phil & Tony Springer arr. Mark Brymer)

The Crown of Roses  
(Tchaikovsky)

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God Bless You Brother  
(Janet Wheeler)

A Merry Christmas  
(Trad. West country arr. Arthur Warrell)

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*Thank you for coming tonight.*

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