Carols of Many Nations

Wednesday, December 10
3:00, 6:30, and 8:30 p.m.
Miller Chapel
Order of Service

Opening Sentences

Processional: Let Us Come to Worship God (sung by soloist in Taiwanese, then by all in English) Taiwan

Chi Yi Chen, soloist

* Hymn: O Come, All Ye Faithful England

John Francis Wade

1. 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!

2. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
   Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;
   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!

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation!
   Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
   Glory to God, all glory in the highest!
   O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
   O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

* Please stand as you are able.
Prayers and the Lord’s Prayer

Janice Smith Ammon (3:00)
Darrell Guder (6:30)
Iain Torrance (8:30)

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

I. The Annunciation

Reading: Luke 1:26–38

Angel Vargas, Spanish (3:00)
Alina Beary, Russian (6:30)
Eunny Lee, Korean (8:30)

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.” But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Anthem: Bogoroditsye Dyevo (sung in Church Slavic)

Russia
Arvo Pärt

Virgin Mother of God,
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb,
for you gave birth to the savior of our souls.
In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.” And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.”

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. Behold, from henceforth all generations will call me blessed.

For he has done great things to me, he who is mighty and whose name is holy. He shows power with his arm and scatters those with arrogance in their hearts. He thrusts the mighty from their throne and exalts the lowly.

The hungry he fills with good things and the rich he sends away empty. He remembers his mercy and helps his servant Israel, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and also to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and evermore, world without end. Amen.
III. Mother and Child

**Reading:** Luke 2:1–7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

**Hymn:** What Child Is This

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest,
   On Mary’s lap is sleeping?
   Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
   While shepherds watch are keeping?
   This, this is Christ the King,
   Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
   Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
   the babe, the son of Mary!

2. Why lies He in such mean estate
   Where ox and ass are feeding?
   Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
   the silent Word is pleading,
   Nails, spear shall pierce him through,
   the cross be borne for me, for you;
   hail, hail the Word made flesh,
   the babe, the son of Mary!

3. So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;
   Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
   The King of kings salvation brings;
   Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
   Raise, raise the song on high,
   the virgin sings her lullaby;
   joy, joy, for Christ is born,
   the babe, the son of Mary!
IV. Angels and Shepherds

Reading: Luke 2:8–14

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said unto them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

Hymn: Venid, Pastores (sung in Spanish, all joining on refrain)

Kristy LaBarge-Kliewer and Jillian Greene, soloists
Jonathan LaBarge-Kliewer, guitar
Edwin Estevez, percussion

Refrain:
Come, shepherds, come to Bethlehem, to the manger.
I am not leaving Bethlehem without taking a moment to adore the baby Jesus.

Verses:
The star of Bethlehem will guide us with its light,
to the humble manger where Jesus was born.

From the mountain the shepherd quickly comes,
to Bethlehem, to adore Jesus, born in the manger.

Don’t you hear the rooster proclaim with his powerful voice,
announcing to the world that Jesus Christ is born?
Anthem: Rise Up Shepherd

There’s a star in the East on Christmas morn,
It will lead to the place where the Saviour’s born.
Leave your sheep and leave your lambs,
Leave your lives and leave your rams,
Foller the star of Bethlehem;
Rise up shepherd and follow!
If you take good heed to the angel’s words,
You’ll forget your flock, you’ll forget your herd;
Rise up shepherd and follow!

V. God Incarnate

Reading: Philippians 2:5–8

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Anthem: The Word Was Made Flesh

The word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.
We beheld the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth.
In the beginning was the Word.
The Word was with God.
In Him was life; and the life was the light of all.
He came to his own, and his own received him not.
For the troubles and the sufferings of the world,
Lend an ear to the rising cry for help.

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God, we call upon your mercy:
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from oppressed and hopeless people.
Come!

whole creation's laboring in pain!
Has ten your salvation, healing love!

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We pray for peace,
the blessed peace that
We pray for power,
the power that will sus-
comes from making justice,
to cover and maintain your people's witness:
until your Kingdom

brace us. Have mercy, Lord!
come, Kyri-e-le-i-son!
VI. Tell Out the News

Reading: Luke 2:15–20

Emmanuel Lalfelkima, Mizo (3:00)
Victor Aloyo, Spanish (6:30)
Jing Wei, Mandarin (8:30)

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Anthem: Hera Dajai (sung in Nepalese and English)

Nepal
Loknath Manaen

Anita Tong, soloist

Christmas is here! Christmas is here!
God comes to set us all free!
Jesus be praised, hearts and souls raised, now and always!
Christmas once more arrives joyfully!

Long ago shepherds worshipped the baby,
Knowing him truly God’s Son;
There in a cowshed they themselves witnessed
Heaven and earth become one.
All that the angels told that first Christmas
Still is the case to this day.
Those who adore him gain what we need most:
Power to walk in God’s way.

Life for the childlike lies in the manger:
Infant whose word has formed worlds.
Yet he would one day suffer rejection,
Love’s banner mocked when unfurled.
Nailed on a cross beam,
Jesus forever would take away sin’s shame.
See in his suffering love freely flowing,
Healing our hearts’ deep pain.
We are glad that we have a Father to trust.
We are glad that we have a Father to rely upon.
Where was Jesus born?
In Bethlehem, the city of wonder.
That is where He was born for sure.
Praise be to Him.
We thank you for this day, gracious Father.
Praise be to You, merciful Father.

Anthem: Christmas Day

Thomas Rusert, Melissa Haupt, Jason Lillis, Julie Lillis, Ryan Timpte, soloists
arr. Gustav Holst

Medley of Carols:
Good Christian Friends Rejoice
God Rest You Merry
Come, Ye Lofty
The First Noel

VII. The Advent of Our God

Reading: Revelation 22:1–7, 20b

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true, for the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place. See, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.”
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
Anthem: E’en So, Lord Jesus Quickly Come

United States
Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood that we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come; sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein; rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon, for Christ is coming soon!
E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light, nor lamp, nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

VIII. The Light of the World

* Reading: Matthew 5:14–16

* Passing of the Light
The light is taken from the candles of the Advent wreath by the readers and choir and then passed through the congregation. This is to symbolize the coming of Christ, the Light of the World, and the spreading of Christ’s light in all people.

* Closing Hymn: Silent Night

Germany and United States
Daniel Escher, violin
arr. Rick and Sylvia Powell
Rachel Daley, flute

choir:
Peace on earth and goodwill to all.
This is a time for joy, this is a time for love.
Now let us all sing together of peace on earth.

all:
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.
* Recessional Hymn: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! The herald angels sing,
   “Glory to the newborn King.
   Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
   God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
   Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;
Hail the incarnate Deity,
Pleased in flesh with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
   Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth,
Born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Carol in front of Miller Chapel (see inside back cover)

Benediction

* Please stand as you are able.
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Angels We Have Heard on High

1. Angels we have heard on high,  
   Sweetly singing o’er the plains,  
   And the mountains in reply  
   Echoing their joyous strains.  
   Gloria in excelsis Deo;  
   Gloria in excelsis Deo.

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
   Why your joyous strains prolong?  
   What the gladsome tidings be  
   Which inspire your heavenly song?  
   Gloria in excelsis Deo;  
   Gloria in excelsis Deo.

3. Come to Bethlehem and see  
   Him whose birth the angels sing;  
   Come, adore on bended knee  
   Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.  
   Gloria in excelsis Deo;  
   Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Away in a Manger

1. Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,  
   The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.  
   The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,  
   The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing, the poor Baby wakes,  
   But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.  
   I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,  
   And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay  
   Close by me forever and love me, I pray.  
   Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,  
   And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

1. It came upon the midnight clear,
   That glorious song of old,
   From angels bending near the earth,
   To touch their harps of gold:
   “Peace on the earth, good will to all,
   From heaven’s all gracious King”:
   The world in solemn stillness lay,
   To hear the angels sing.

2. Still through the cloven skies they come,
   With peaceful wings unfurled,
   And still their heavenly music floats
   O’er all the weary world:
   Above its sad and lowly plains
   They bend on hovering wing,
   And ever o’er its Babel sounds
   The blessed angels sing.

3. And ye, beneath life’s crushing load,
   Whose forms are bending low,
   Who toil along the climbing way
   With painful steps and slow,
   Look now! for glad and golden hours
   Come swiftly on the wing:
   O rest beside the weary road,
   And hear the angels sing.

4. 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 splendors fling,
   And the whole world give back the song
   Which now the angels sing.

Go Tell It On the Mountain

Refrain:
   Go, tell it on the mountain
   Over the hills and everywhere;
   Go, tell it on the mountain
   That Jesus Christ is born!

1. While shepherds kept their watching
   O’er silent flocks by night,
   Behold throughout the heavens
   There shone a holy light.
   (Refrain)

2. The shepherds feared and trembled
   When lo! above the earth,
   Rang out the angel chorus
   That hailed our Savior’s birth.
   (Refrain)

3. Down in a lowly manger
   The humble Christ was born,
   And God sent us salvation
   That blessed Christmas morn.
   (Refrain)