



IN LOVING MEMORY

*Sue Beazley*

OUR DIRECTOR AND FRIEND

The formation of a community choir came into being several years ago as the result of a desire by Sue Beazley and Janice Love to bring together singers from local churches to celebrate together the birth of Christ through the presentation of a Christmas cantata. Sue, a retired school music teacher, has capably led all of the rehearsals and performances up to the time of her death nearly two weeks ago, each year working tirelessly in both planning and practice to present performances that were both inspiring to the listeners as well as glorifying to God. It is, therefore, fitting that today's *Celebration of Lessons and Carols* be presented as a tribute to her inspired leadership and dedication to her community as well as a memorial to her life.

Thank you, Sue, for all you have done to bring our community together. You have filled our hearts with inspiration and love for good music. You have motivated us to be better than we are. You have raised the standards of musical quality for us for the rest of our lives. You will be in our hearts forever!

*Music was what Sue was all About! This is our gift to her!*

**PRELUDE**

**THE PROCESSIONAL**

Bethlehem Procession

Pepper Choplin

**THE BIDDING PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**THE FIRST LESSON**

Isaiah 9: 1-3, 6-7

Christ's birth and Kingdom are foretold

**GOD WITH US EMANUEL**

Joel Raney

George Kimble and Donna Murphy, soloists  
Community Handbell Ensemble

**RESPONSIVE READING**

Pastor: During Advent we wait for the coming Savior who is our Wonderful Counselor, the One who hears our prayers, heals our infirmities, renews Faith, and ignites our hope.

**People: Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.**

Pastor: During Advent we wait for the coming Savior who is our Mighty God, in whom we find redemption; the One who forgives our sins, who overcomes the darkness; and who has come to set us free.

**People: You are mighty, O Lord and your faithfulness endures forever.**

Pastor: During Advent we wait for the coming Savior who is our Prince of Peace, the One who brings harmony in conflict, clarity in confusion, unity in division; the One who restores the broken.

**People: The Lord gives strength to his people and blesses them with peace.**

Pastor: During Advent we wait for the coming Savior who is our Everlasting Father, the One who knows our deepest needs, our most pressing concerns, our deepest thoughts, and our innermost being.

**People: From everlasting to everlasting, you are God.**

Pastor: During our Advent journey, we anticipate the coming Savior, who is called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

**People: We celebrate the One who is Emanuel—GOD WITH US!**

**SING WITH JOY**

George Frideric Handel

**THE SECOND LESSON**

Isaiah 40: 1-5

Prepare the way for the Lord

**THOU SHALT KNOW HIM WHEN HE COMES**

Joel Raney

Lakeside Lutheran Church Handbell Ensemble

**THE THIRD LESSON**

Luke 1: 26-38

The Archangel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary

MARY AND ELIZABETH

Pepper Choplin

Nancy Andersen, Jan Miller, soloists

**THE FOURTH LESSON**

Matthew 1:18-23

Saint Matthew tells of the birth of Jesus

LITTLE ONE, HOLY ONE

Robert C. Lau

FUM, FUM, FUM!

Vicki Tucker Courtney

Men's Chorus  
Wanda Osberg, flute

AWAY IN A MANGER

arranged by Bill Ingram

Lakeside Lutheran Church Handbell Ensemble

**OFFERTORY**

**THE FIFTH LESSON**

Luke 2: 4-15

The Shepherds go to the Manger

A SONG WAS BORN AT CHRISTMAS

arranged by Tom Fettke

\*with Congregational Singing

**ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH**

**Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plain**

**And the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strain.**

**Gloria in excelsis deo!      Gloria in excelsis deo!**

**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!**

CALYPSO LULLABY

Joel Raney

Wanda Osberg, flute  
Lakeside Lutheran Church Handbell Ensemble

**THE SIXTH LESSON**

Matthew 2: 1-11

The Wise Men are led by the Star to Jesus

**WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE**

arranged by Lloyd Larson

Ron Birgensmith, saxophone

Janice Love, pianist

**THE SEVENTH LESSON**

John 1: 1-5; 10-14

Saint John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation

**WE BRING HIS LIGHT**

\*with Congregational Singing

arranged by Benjamin Harlan

bells arranged by Janice Love

Wanda Osberg, flutist

**Joy to the World the Lord is Come**

**Let earth receive her King**

**Let ev'ry heart, prepare Him room**

**And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing,**

**And heaven 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, And wonders of His love,**

**And wonders, wonders of His love.**

Community Handbell Ensemble

**JESUS, GOOD ABOVE ALL OTHER**

arranged by Howard Helvey

**THE DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE and RECESSIONAL**

**Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me**

**Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be**

**With God as our Father, children all are we**

**Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.**

**With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow**

**To take each moment, and live each moment, in peace eternally.**

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
THE CELEBRATION IN THE NARTHEX AND ADJOINING CLASSROOM**

**The Community Choir**

**Sopranos**

Nancy Andersen

Joan Beauchemin

Kathy Bowen

Helen Burtchell

Carol Carlson

Julia Ann Freeze

Lee Hoaglan

Marion Harries

Carol Hartline

Betty Howard

Jan Miller

Donna Murray

Elaine Parks

Dorinda Paxton

Mary-Margaret Reilly

Ardie Roddy

Jean Sherman

Karen Shinn\*

Joanne Tripp

Beth Wethington

**Altos**

Maxine Billet

Betty Erwin

Arleen Gerbing

Jeanie Hahle\*

Margie Hildebrand

Liz Johnson

Gloria Kuhns

Janice Love

Irene O'Sullivan

Mandy Outman

Dede Snead

**Tenors**

Ron Birgensmith

Dennis Dooling

David Hartline

Corrye Hatchell

Jim Hogan

Tom Manning

Pat Zeisman

**Basses**

Dennis Hahle

John Hartline

George Kimble

Larry Kiser

Jim Phillips

Mark Wethington

\*Understudies for Mary and Elizabeth

Wrenn Phillips, Director

Janice Love, Assistant Director

Carol Seidel, Piano; Marilyn Cockey, Keyboard

Rev. Fred Eichner, Lessons Leader

Jere Kiser, Event Coordinator

Ken Hinrichs, Sound

Susan Bache, Program Design and Printing

**Our heartfelt thanks go to Wrenn Phillips, Director of the Lakeland Singers, whose gracious and immediate acceptance of the leadership of this choir two weeks ago allowed us to present this program to the Glory of God and in memory of Sue Beazley.**

**Community Handbell Ensemble**

Sue Birgensmith, Julie Jolly, Jere Kiser, Diane Phillips, Barbara Shinn, Dede Snead

**Lakeside Lutheran Church Handbell Ensemble**

Sue Birgensmith, Julie Jolly, Jere Kiser, Janice Love, Diane Phillips, Barbara Shinn

**Participating Churches**

The following churches have committed time, resources, and members to this  
Community Choir presentation:

Lakeside Lutheran Church, Antioch Christian Church, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Littleton United Methodist Church, Weaver's Chapel United Methodist Church, St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Prospect United Methodist Church, Lake Gaston Baptist Church, Olive Branch United Methodist Church, Littleton Baptist Church, Calvary United Methodist Church, Seaboard Baptist Church and Littleton Presbyterian Church.

Refreshments provided by participating churches and served by Lakeside Lutheran Church's Congregational Life Committee.