



South Sound Classical Choir – Christmas 2025
First Half of Program

Adeste, fideles

Tune from Cantus Diversi, 1751
Arr. by Alice Parker

Adeste fideles
Laeti triumphantes
Venite, venite in Bethlehem;
Natum videte
Regem Angelorum

Chorus

Venite adoremus
Venite adoremus
Venite adoremus
Dominum

Deum de Deo
Lumen de lumine
Gestant puellæ viscera
Deum verum
Genitum non factum

Cantet nunc io
Chorus angelorum;
Cantet nunc aula cælestium
Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo

Ergo qui natus
Die hodierna
Jesu, tibi sit gloria
Patris æterni
Verbum caro factum

Hallelujah Chorus

From the *Messiah*
George F. Handel

Hallelujah: for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of
our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for
ever and ever. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.
Hallelujah!

Behold a star from Jacob shining

from 'Christus'
Felix Mendelssohn

Behold a star from Jacob shining,
and a scepter from Israel rising.
To reign in glory over the nations.

Like some bright morning star is He,
The promise of the coming day,
Beyond the night of sorrow.
Break forth, O Light!
We, our joyful Hearts uplifting
With thanksgiving,
Hail the brightness of Thy rising.

Worthy is the Lamb

From the *Messiah*
George F. Handel

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath
redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power,
and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour,
and glory, and blessing. Blessing and honour, glory
and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne,
and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.

For Unto Us a Child Is Born

From the *Messiah*
George F. Handel

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.

Amen Chorus

From the *Messiah*
Frederick G. Handel

Amen.



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Festival Gloria

Craig Courtney

Gloria,
Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Et in terra pax,
Hominibus bonae voluntatis,
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te.
Adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gloria, Gloria, Gloria.

Deep Peace

Bill Douglas

Deep peace of the running wave to you
Deep peace of the flowing air to you
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you
Deep peace of the shining stars to you
Deep peace of the gentle night to you
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you

Sure On This Shining Night

From *Nocturnes*

Morten Lauridsen, words by James Agee

Sure on this shining night
Of starmade shadows round,
Kindness must watch for me
This side the ground.

The late year lies down the north.
All is healed, all is health.
High summer holds the earth.
Hearts all whole.

Sure on this shining night
I weep for wonder
Wand'ring far alone
Of shadows on the stars.



Angels from the Realms of Gory

Arr. by Dan Forrest

Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth.
Ye who sang creation's story
now proclaim Messiah's birth.
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ the newborn King.

Shepherds in the field abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
yonder shines the infant Light:

Sages, leave your contemplation,
brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of Nations;
ye have seen His natal star.

All creation, join in praising
God, the Father, Spirit, Son.
Evermore your voices raising
to the eternal Three in One.

Silent Night

Arr. by Dan Forrest

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.

Silent night, Holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light,
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Silent night, holy night,
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing
"Alleluia" to our King.
Christ the Savior is born.