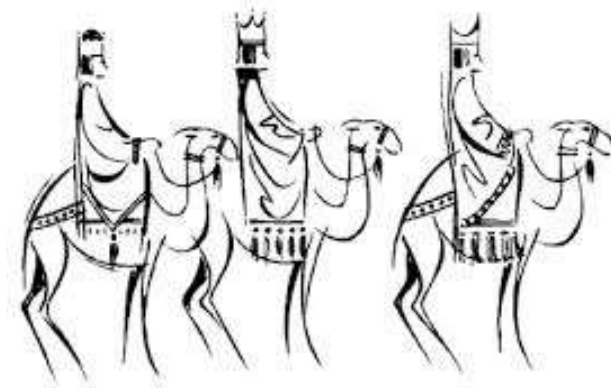


High School for Girls

CATHEDRAL CAROLS



Friday, 15th December 2017
10.00 am



As this is a religious service, please refrain from clapping.

Organ music before the service will be played by Jonathan Hope,
Assistant Director of Music at Gloucester Cathedral

(All stand, processional entry of choir and clergy)

Opening Hymn

Solo Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

Choir He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
and his cradle was a stall
With the poor, and mean, and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

ALL And through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

ALL Not in that poor lowly stable
with the oxen standing by
We shall see him: but in heaven
Set at God's right hand on high
When like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

(sit)

Welcome by Canon Richard Mitchell

Introduction by

Anna Shearman and Sophie Ellis, Deputy Head Girls

Senior Choir

O Holy Night (Soloist Sophie Ellis)

Adam

Reading 1

Chloe Allen (Year 10) and Charlotte Milbourne (Year 8)

HYMN (*all stand*)

1. We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

Chorus

2. Born a king on Bethlehem plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign.

Chorus

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*O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect Light.*

3. Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity nigh.
Prayer and praising all men raising,
Worship Him, God most high.

Chorus

4. Myrrh is mine: it's bitter perfume
Breaths a life of gathering gloom.
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Chorus

5. Glorious now behold Him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice.
Heavn'n sings Alleluia
Alleluia the earth replies

Chorus

Reading 2

Olivia Brock (Year 9)

Junior Choir

Infant Holy Infant Lowly

Polish Carol arr. Willcocks

Reading 3

Madeleine Cross and Hannah Johnston (Year 12)

Reading 4

Eleanor Compton (Year 11) and Erin Kelly (Year 7)

Chamber Choir

In Dulci Jubilo

Old German carol arr. Rutter/Pearsall

Reading

Luke Chapter 2:1-20 by Mrs Sawicka

Prayer

Read by Head Girl and Head Boy, Poppy Herold and Jacob Bidmead

Mrs Sawicka

HYMN (*all stand*)

1. Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled:
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With th' angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.*
2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a virgin's womb;
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.*
3. Hail the heav'n-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 man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.*

Reflection and Blessing
by Canon Richard Mitchell

(Exit of Clergy)

Organ Voluntary

Evie Perfect (Year 9) Toccata in E Minor

Pachelbel



(At the end of the service, students should remain seated until instructed to leave the cathedral.)

There will be a retiring collection in aid of:



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