

ELPC's Cathedral Concerts presents

CHRISTMAS

IN EAST LIBERTY

Friday, December 13, 2024

7:30 pm in the Sanctuary

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The Brass Roots

Daniel Nesta Curtis, Conductor

East Liberty Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir

Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist and Conductor

Ethan LaPlaca, Organist

Jim Cunningham, Narrator



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the Program

Please silence all electronic devices during this evening's performance.

Audience Carol

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

arr. David Willcocks

Purple Glory to God hymnal, #119

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!"

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 Godhead 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!"

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!"

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz

O Magnum Mysterium

Morten Lauridsen

'Twas The Night Before Christmas

Anthony DiLorenzo
Text by Clement Clarke Moore

Jim Cunningham, *narrator*

Where Shepherds Lately Knelt

Carl Schalk

Twelve Days of Christmas

Traditional
arr. Bill Holcombe

Joy to the World

George Frideric Handel
arr. Anthony DiLorenzo



Intermission

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will be received at the beginning of the intermission.

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Joy to the World — Carillon

Mary Beth Bennett

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz
Senior Pastor

Baltazar (A King's Journey)

Anthony DiLorenzo

Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer

Michael Brown
arr. Rana Jurjus

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

Hugh Martin
arr. Rana Jurjus

This Christmas

Donny Hathaway and Nadine Theresa McKinnor
arr. David Gardner

Carol of the Bells

Mykola Leontovych
Lyrics: Peter J. Wilhousky

Carol Fantasia

Mary Beth Bennett

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

Purple Glory to God hymnal, #132 (verses 1 and 2)

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today.
Ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

On This Day Earth Shall Ring

Purple Glory to God hymnal, #141 (verses 1 and 4)

Soprano/Alto Only

On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing
to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us;
him the Father gave us.

All

Id-e-o-o-o, id-e-o-o-o,
Id-e-o gloria in excelsis Deo!

Tenor/Bass Only

On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring,
praising Christ, heaven's King, born on earth to save us;
peace and love he gave us.

All

Id-e-o-o-o, id-e-o-o-o,
Id-e-o gloria in excelsis Deo!

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What Child Is This

Purple Glory to God hymnal, #145 (verses 1 and 3)

Verse 1 sung by the Choir

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh, come, one and all, 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!

Joy to the World

Purple Glory to God hymnal, #134 (verses 1 and 4)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
let ev'ry heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n 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.

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

Traditional
arr. David Gardner

We wish you a Merry Christmas!
We wish you a Merry Christmas!
We wish you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!
Good tidings we bring
to you and your kin.
We wish you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!

Interlude

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*Merry
Christmas*

the Performers



EAST LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHANCEL CHOIR

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Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/Music Director
Ethan LaPlaca, Organist

Kathy Beach
Keith Beach
Timothy Chaplin
Adrianna Cleveland
Arleigh Dickerson
Todd Farwell
Jeff Fritz
Adelia Frye
Quinn Hull
Debbie Hurrell

David Jennings-Smith
Emma Johnson
Pamela Kimmel
Cathleen Malmstrom
Morgan May
Doug McCullough
Steven McCune
M. Beth Minnigh
Tessa Morris
Gail Mosites

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THE BRASS ROOTS

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Daniel Nesta Curtis, Conductor

Trumpet

Kenton Bandy
David Gardner
Micah Holt
Shawn Wilson

Horn

Joshua Gandy
Miranda Johnson
Rana Jurjus
Carrie McCormack

Tenor Trombone

Taylor Jones
Julia Nainiger

Bass Trombone

Olivia Nixon

Euphonium

Abby Lannan

Tuba

John Caughman
Amanda Willard

Percussion

Abby Langhorst
Nomi Marcus



DANIEL NESTA CURTIS

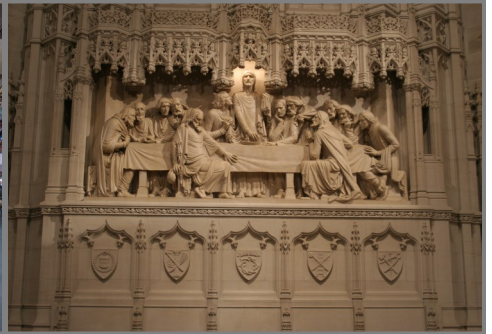


THE BRASS ROOTS



**JIM
CUNNINGHAM**
WQED-FM
Narrator

ELPC Services



TAIZÉ: *Prayerful Song & Quiet Meditation*
Wednesdays, 7 pm
Chapel

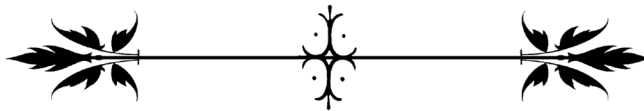
Chants and periods of meditative silence modeled after the Taizé community in France.

JOURNEY WORSHIP
Sundays, 8:45 am
Social Hall

A gospel/contemporary service for a fresh encounter with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

SANCTUARY WORSHIP
Sundays, 11 am
Sanctuary

Our largest service with a multicultural congregation and music from organ, piano and choir.



Christmas Eve Services

Tuesday, December 24

5:00 PM

FAMILY SERVICE

10:00 PM

(music begins at 9:30 pm)

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

All services will be held in the Sanctuary, and include Communion and candle lighting. The Rev. Dr. Michael A. Diaz will preach at both services.



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Upcoming Concerts

Sunday, February 9, 2025 at 7:30 PM

ST. OLAF CHOIR

The choir is hailed as one of the nation's premier a cappella ensembles and is renowned for its artistry and beauty of sound. This is a ticketed event and will not be livestreamed. ELPC members and friends should contact Dr. Ed Moore for tickets (EdM@coh.net). Tickets for the public can be purchased at <https://wp.stolaf.edu/tickets/choir>.

Sunday, March 30, 2025 at 3:00 PM

MENDELSSOHN CHOIR OF PITTSBURGH

The Mendelssohn Choir returns to ELPC under the direction of Daniel Singer. ELPC members and friends should contact Dr. Ed Moore for tickets (EdM@coh.net). Tickets for the general public can be purchased at www.themendelssohn.org/choir/we-all-sing.

Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 3:00 PM

ORGAN CONCERT

ELPC's own Dr. Ed Moore is presented in a solo organ concert. Featured on the program will be "A Sweet for Mother Goose" for organ and narrator.



St. Olaf Choir