



HEXHAM ORPHEUS CHOIR

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Including carols for all

Wednesday December 14th, 7:30

Hexham Abbey

Musical Director: Mark Edwards

Organ: Warren Smith

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Hexham Orpheus Choir Regd. Charity No.514942

Welcome to our Christmas Concert in aid of ‘Crisis at Christmas’.
We have some choir carols as well as opportunities to join in with four carols.

Audience carol **O Come, all ye faithful** **arr. David Willcocks**

Choir Sing out, Rejoice, Sing out! Fiona Lander
This piece was been commissioned by Hexham Orpheus Choir in 2019

Reading (Graeme Helliwell))

Audience carol **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel** **arr. David Willcocks**

Choir Christmas Day Gustav Holst

Reading (Charles Drax)

Choir The Truth from above arr. Vaughan Williams

Choir Sans day Carol arr. John Rutter

Reading (Judi Cornforth)

Audience Carol **O Little Town of Bethlehem** **arr. Vaughan Williams**

Organ (Warren Smith)

Choir Jingle Bells arr. David Willcocks

Choir Lo! How a Rose e'er blooming Bob Chilcott

Reading (Carolyn Below)

Choir Infant Holy, Infant Lowly arr. David Willcocks

Audience carol **Hark! The Herald** **Mendelssohn**

Choir We wish you a Merry Christmas arr. Arthur Warrell

---- Please join us for refreshments after the concert ----

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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,

God of God,

Light of Light,

Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;

Very God,

Begotten, not created:

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

Christ, the Lord,

Sing, choirs of angels,

Sing in exultation,

Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;

Glory to God In the highest':

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

Christ, the Lord,

O come, O come, Emmanuel

Redeem thy captive Israel

That into exile drear is gone

Far from the face of God's dear son

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, Thou Branch of Jesse

Draw the quarry from the lion's claw

From the dread caverns of the grave

From nether hell, thy people save

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel

— Choir only —
O come, O come, Thou Dayspring bright
Pour on our souls thy healing light
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom
And pierce the shadows of the tomb
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, Thou Lord of David's key

The royal door fling wide and free

Safeguard for us the heavenward road

And bar the way to death's abode

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, O come, Adonai

Who in thy glorious majesty

From that high mountain clothed with awe

Gavest thy folk the elder law

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel

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O Little town of Bethlehem,

Tune: Forest Green

How still we see thee lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep

The silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth

The everlasting light;

The hopes and fears of all the years

Are met in thee tonight.

O morning stars, together

Proclaim the holy birth,

And praises sing to God the King,

And peace to men on earth!

For Christ is born of Mary;

And gathered all above,

While mortals sleep, the angels keep

Their watch of wond'ring love.

How silently, how silently,

The wondrous gift is given!

So God imparts to human hearts

The blessings of his heaven.

No ear may hear his coming;

But in this world of sin,

Where meek souls will receive him still,

The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,

Descend to us, we pray;

Cast out our sin, and enter in;

Be born in us to-day!

We hear the Christmas angels

The great glad tidings tell:

O come to us, abide with us,

Our Lord Emmanuel!

We are grateful to Karbon Homes
for supporting this concert and
sharing our vision of community
involvement at this time of year.

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 the angelic host proclaim,

'Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Hark! the herald angels sing

Glory to the new-born King.

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,

Christ, the everlasting Lord,

Late in time behold him come,

Offspring of a Virgin's womb.

Veil'd 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.

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 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.

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