

### Christmas Pageant Grace Church in New York

December 24, 2023 4:00 p.m.

PRELUDE He Shall Feed His Flock (From Handel's Messiah)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 83 "O come all ye faithful..." (Please stand) ADESTE FIDELES

1. 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!

Refrain: O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

- 2. God from God, Light from Light Eternal, lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb; only begotten Son of the Father; *Refrain*
- 3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, glory in the highest! *Refrain*

#### **OPENING COLLECT**

Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Officiant says the Collect

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** (*Please be seated.*)

**NARRATOR** Clementine McCoy

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the House of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her and said, hail thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee: Blessed art thou among women. *Luke* 1:26-28

GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

The angel Gabriel from heaven came, His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame; "All hail," said he, "thou lowly maiden Mary, Most highly favored lady," Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head, "To me be as it pleaseth God," she said, "my soul shall laud and magnify his holy Name." Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

Solo: Eva Dixon

NARRATOR Maeve Cannon

And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favor with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the son of the highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his Father David: and he shall reign over the House of Jacob forever: and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the Angel, how can this be seeing I know not a man? And the Angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the highest shall overshadow thee: Therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And Mary said behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the Angel departed from her. Luke 1:34-38

#### HYMN 102 "Once in royal David's city..."

**IRBY** 

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.

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, the scorned, the lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.

Duet: Tanner Gola and Philip Molina

Solo: Tanner Gola

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that child who seemed so helpless is our Lord in heaven above; And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

Solo: Isla Popov

NARRATOR Vivienne Skrypek

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed... And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. *Luke* 2:1, 3-5

#### HYMN 79 "O little town of Bethlehem..."

ST. Louis

All: O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;
Yet in the dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary; and gathered all above, while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love. O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth! and praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.

Ensemble: Lily Dixon, Sconset Gushee, Ruby Loening, Isla Popov, Elizabeth Seirer, Cece Whelan

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.

Solo: Sconset Gushee

Where children pure and happy pray to the blessed child;

Where misery cries out to thee, son of the mother mild.

Where charity stands watching and faith holds wide the door;

The dark night wakes, the glory breaks, and Christmas comes once more.

Trio: Camilla Bates, Poppy Brent-Berkus, Wilhelmina Schuchard

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;

Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;

O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

Duet: Sander Olinick and Lachlan Whelan

NARRATOR Taylor Gushee

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. *Luke* 2:6-7

#### CAROL Away in a Manger

All: Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky, and stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.

Ensemble: JK and Kindergarten Angels

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay close by me for ever, and love me I pray.

Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, And take us to heaven, to live with Thee there.

Trio: Burke Boger, Harriet Boger, James Boger

#### CAROL Bring your Torches, Janette, Isabella

All: Bring your torches, Janette, Isabella! Bring your torches, come hurry and run! It is Jesus good folk of the village -- Christ is born and Mary's calling, "Ah, ah! beautiful is the Mother -- Ah, ah! beautiful is her son." (sing through two times)

#### **CAROL** The Friendly Beasts

All: Jesus, our brother, kind and good, was humbly born in a stable rude.

The friendly beasts around him stood, Jesus our brother, kind and good.

"I," said the angel all pure and bright, "I went to the shepherds on Christmas night. I brought them to view the blessed sight." "I," said the angel all pure and bright.

Duet: Zahra Joseph and Rue Rukobo

"I," said the shepherd from Bethlehem's field, "An angel appeared, we all kneeled. The son of God, our souls will heal." "I," said the shepherd from Bethlehem's field.

Ensemble: Oliver Armer, James Campbell, Miles Kresse, Chase Stockel, Colvin West

"I," said the sheep with curly horn, "I gave Him my wool for His blanket warm. He wore my coat on Christmas morn." "I," said the sheep with curly horn.

Ensemble: JK and Kindergarten Sheep

"I," said the goat, all white and gold. "In my barn His story was told. Jesus the baby, His life will unfold." "I," said the goat, all white and gold.

Duet: Finn Bates and Major Dixon

"I," said the dove from the rafters high. "I cooed Him to sleep that He should not cry. We cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I." "I," said the dove from the rafters high.

Trio: Campbell Kliegerman, Isabel Pertuz, Toby Ryan

All: Thus ev'ry beast, by some good spell, in the stable dark was glad to tell, Of the gift he gave Emmanuel, the gift he gave Emmanuel.

#### HYMN 115 "What child is this..."

**GREENSLEEVES** 

What child is this, who laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?

Solo: James Gomez

All: Refrain: This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing; Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear: for sinners here the silent Word is pleading. *All: Refrain* 

Solo: Thatcher Olinick

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, come peasant, King, to own him. The King of Kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone Him. *All: Refrain* 

Solo: James West

NARRATOR Lia Kennedy

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them,

HEAD ANGEL Eva Dixon

Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

NARRATOR Lia Kennedy

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. *Luke* 2:8-14

HYMN 87 "Hark! The herald angels sing..."

**MENDELSSOHN** 

All: 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 angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new born King."

#### THE ANGELS' DANCE & HYMN 89 "It came upon the midnight clear..."

**CAROL** 

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,

From angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold:

"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven's all-gracious King."

The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing. 
Duet: Ruby Loening and Cece Whelan

Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled,

and still their heavenly music floats o'er all the weary world.

Above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hovering wing.

And ever o'er its babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

Solo: Lily Dixon

For lo! The days are hastening on, by prophets seen of old,

When with the ever-circling years shall come the time foretold,

When peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling,

And all the world give back the song which now the angels sing.

Trio: Nora Gavejian, Grace Kepple, Meriwether Voris

## All: Yet with the woes of sin and strife the world has suffered long; beneath the heavenly hymn have rolled two thousand years of wrong; and warring humankind hears not the tidings which they bring; O hush the noise and cease your strife and hear the angels sing.

#### CAROL The Star Carol

Long years ago on a deep winter night, High in the heav'ns a star shone bright, While in a manger a wee baby lay, Sweetly asleep on a bed of hay.

Jesus, the Lord was that Baby so small, Laid down to sleep in a humble stall; Then came the star and it stood over head, Shedding its light 'round His little bed.

Dear baby Jesus, how tiny Thou art, I'll make a place for Thee in my heart, and when the stars in the heavens I see, ever and always I think of Thee.

Solo: Hailey Popov

#### NARRATOR Tess Gola

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. *Luke* 2:15-19

#### MARY'S SONG Lullaby on Christmas Eve

Mother her vigil is keeping, hush little babe to her song, Rest thee secure in thy sleeping, Grow thee more stately and strong. Slumber, slumber. Gently thine eyelids close. Slumber, slumber. Cradled in sweet repose.

Babe of my bosom be winging, Softly where dreamlands begin,

Christmas Eve bells are a-ringing, Festively calling thee in.

Cling Clang, Cling Clang, Dear little babe divine.

Cling Clang, Cling Clang, Dear little babe of mine.

Solo: Abby Gomez

NARRATOR Thea Sinclair

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. *Luke* 2:20

**CANDLE LIGHTING** (Only adults and children over 8 should hold candles, please.)

#### **CAROL** *O Holy Night* (*Please stand*)

O holy night! the stars are brightly shining, This is the night of the dear Saviour's birth Long lay the world in sin and error pining, Till He appeared, and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope, the weary soul rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn! Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices! O night divine, O night when Christ was born! O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Truly He taught us to love one another; his law is love, and His Gospel is peace. Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother, and in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise, we let all within us praise His Holy name. Christ is the Lord, Oh praise His name for ever. His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim.

Ensemble: Alumni

#### **NARRATOR** (Please be seated)

Kadin Hussein

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, behold, there came wise men from the East. And, lo, the star, which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they came, they saw the young child with Mary his mother and, fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

*Matthew 2:1, 9-11* 

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

#### HYMN 128 "We three kings of Orient are..."

THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

All: We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

\*Refrain:\* O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright; westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again, King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Refrain* 

Frankincense to offer have I: incense owns a Deity nigh; prayer and praising gladly raising, worship Him, God Most High. *Refrain*Solo: Philip Molina

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *Refrain* 

Solo: Lachlan Whelan

Solo: Sander Olinick

#### CAROL The Little Drummer Boy

Come they told me ... Our newborn King to see ... Our finest gifts we bring ... To lay before the King ... So to honor Him ... when we come.

Baby Jesu ... I am a poor boy too ... I have no gift to bring ... That's fit to give our King ... Shall I play for you ... on my drum?

Mary nodded ... The Ox and Lamb kept time ... I played my drum for Him ... I played my best for Him ... Then He smiled at me ... me and my drum.

Ensemble: Grades 5-8 and Alumni

#### HYMN 111 "Silent night..."

STILLE NACHT

(Piano Solo)

All: Silent night, Holy night, All is calm, all is bright, Round you Virgin Mother and Child! Holy Infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace!

Silent night, Holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight, Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia; Christ, the Savior is born! Christ, the Savior is born! Ensemble: James Boger, Theo Gavejian, James Gomez, Thatcher Olinick, Johnny Shteyngart, James West

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, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.

Trio: Teddy Armer, Freddie Danielian, Gray Voris

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Please stand, candles may be extinguished)

Leader: The Lord be with you. *People:* And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us now pray in the words our Savior Christ has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### LITANY FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

Abby Gomez & Tanner Gola

Heavenly Father, who made the world and all the people in it, we pray for all the children of the world tonight, but especially for those in any need or trouble. We pray for children who mourn, and for those who live in fear. We ask you to bless those who are homeless tonight. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for the food we will share with our families tonight and tomorrow, and ask you to help us remember the needs of those who are hungry. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for the many blessings in our lives. For our teachers, friends, families, and neighbors, and for all those who help us learn and grow. Give us kind hearts to use our gifts to reach out to the world in love,

Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

#### **CONCLUDING COLLECT**

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

Please extinguish candles. Please be seated.

#### **GREETINGS**

The Reverend Julia Macy Offinger, Associate Rector The Reverend J. Donald Waring, Rector

#### OFFERTORY SENTENCE AND OFFERTORY HYMNS

The pageant was made possible by the generous contributions of pageant families and the Grace Church community. Contributions to the offering tonight will go to fund the church's housing, homelessness, and hunger programs.

#### HYMN 81 "Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming..."

ES IST EIN ROS

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming, From tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming, As seers of old have sung. It came, a blossom bright, Amid the cold of winter, When half spent was the night.

Solo: Bordley Gushee

Isaiah 'twas foretold it the Rose I have in mind, with Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind.

To show God's love aright she bore to us a Savior, when half spent was the night.

Trio: Bordley Gushee, Hailey Popov, Meriwether Voris

#### HYMN 96 "Angels we have heard on high..."

**GLORIA** 

Angels we have heard on high, Singing sweetly through the night, And the mountains in reply, Echoing their brave delight.

#### All: Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why these songs of happy cheer? What great brightness did you see? What glad tidings did you hear? *All: Refrain* 

Solo: Grace Kepple

#### All: Come to Bethlehem and see, Him whose birth the angels sing; Come adore on bended knee Christ the Lord the newborn King. *Refrain*

#### **THE BLESSING** (*Please stand*)

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. *Amen.* 

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. *Amen*.

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. *Amen*.

And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this night and remain with you for ever. *Amen.* 

- 1. 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.
- 2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns; Let us our songs employ, While fields & floods, rocks, hills & plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 4. 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.

#### **DISMISSAL**

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God!

#### A WORD OF WELCOME TO VISITORS

If you would like to learn more about Grace Church, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate.

On Sundays, **Children's Chapel** for ages 4-12 is available during the 11 am service.

For teens in grades 7-12, we offer **confirmation classes** in the spring. Email the Rev. Julia Offinger to sign up.

We also offer religious education classes, opportunities to serve, and ways to connect for **adults** of all ages. You are welcome here!

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

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#### <u>CAST</u>

<u>CA31</u>
MaryAbby Gome
JosephTanner Gol
Baby Jesus
Head AngelEva Dixo
KingsPhilip Molina, Sander Olinick, Lachlan Whela
Drummer Boy
Arch AngelsSconset Gushee, Isla Popo
Wilhelmina Schuchard, Elizabeth Seire
AngelsHazel Armer, Camilla Bates, Finn Bate
Ayla Bowman, Poppy Brent-Berkus, Vivi Campbel
Saskia Goldwyn, Alice Hendrickson, Zahra Joseph, Campbe
Kliegerman, Jameson Kresse, Scotland Kresse, Harper Morga Ada Nichols, Isabel Pertuz, Rosie Ryan, Toby Ryan, Rue Rukob
ShepherdsOliver Armer, Teddy Armer, Burke Boge
Harriet Boger, Freddie Danielien, Gray Vor
SheepWyatt Gilman, Adrian Harrell, James Hendrickso
Conrad Kliegerman, Cashel Ryan, Brooks Stock
Donkey
DogColvin We
HorseJames Campbe
Camel Miles Kress
GoatMajor Dixo
Doves
VillagersJames Boger, Lily Dixon, Nora Gavejia
Theo Gavejian, James Gomez, Bordley Gushe
Grace Kepple, Ruby Loening, Philip Molina, Sander Olinicl
Thatcher Olinick, Hailey Popov, Meriwether Vori
James West, Cece Whelan, Lachlan Whela
Alumni EnsembleMaeve Cannon, Taber Canon, Theo Canno
Pia Erwine, Auden Fader, Tess Gola, Taylor Gushe
Kiera Hackett, Kadin Hussein, Lila Hussein, Lia Kennedy
Clementine McCoy, Ginger McCoy, Brigitt Molir Tenley Seirer, Thea Sinclair, Alex Skrypek, Vivienne Skrype
NarratorsMaeve Cannon, Tess Gola, Taylor Gushe
Kadin Hussein, Lia Kennedy, Clementine McCo
Thea Sinclair, Vivienne Skrype

#### **CREW**

Directors	Michelle Choo, Jenny West
Assistant Director	Rebecca Dixon
Producer	The Rev. Julia Macy Offinger
Organ, Piano, Vocal Coa	chingDr. Patrick Allen
Director Emerita and Pro	oduction ConsultantDana Foote
Ushers	Doug Evans, Doug Skrypek, Emma Slibeck, Jason Slibeck, Kristin Whitehurst
Lighting	Luke Waring, Kadin Hussein
Sound & Livestream	Jim & Anne Wroten
Head Wrangler	Taber Cannon
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	Taylor Gushee, Kiera Hackett, Lila Hussein Lia Kennedy, Clementine McCoy, Brigitt Molina Tenley Seirer, Alex Skrypek, Vivienne Skrypek
Shadow Wranglers	Theo Cannon, Thea Sinclair, Pia Erwine, Auden Fader

The Christmas Pageant of Grace Church in New York was originally conceived and directed by **Dana Foote.** Thank you, Dana!

# Merry Christmas from all of us at Grace Church in New York!

#### **CHRISTMAS AT GRACE CHURCH**

#### **TONIGHT**

#### 7:30 pm Festive Music for Violin, Trumpet, & Organ

A Christmas Fantasia (World Premiere) by Malcolm Archer Cynthia Roberts, John Thiessen, & Patrick Allen

#### 8:00 pm A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

The Choir of Men and Boys with the Girls' and Adult Choirs. Sermon by the Rector.

#### 10:30 pm Festive Music for Violin, Trumpet, & Organ

A Christmas Fantasia (World Premiere) by Malcolm Archer Cynthia Roberts, John Thiessen, & Patrick Allen

#### 11:00 pm Candlelight Choral Eucharist

The Adult Choir. Sermon by the Rector.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY, December 25

11:00 am Holy Eucharist with Carols The Adult Choir. Sermon by the Rector.

#### EPIPHANY, January 7

4:00 pm Amahl & the Night Visitors Choral Evensong. The Adult Choir.

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