
Come, Let Us Adore Him
CHRISTMAS AT CONCORDIA
December 4 & 5, 2026
7:30 pm
Chapel of Christ Triumphant
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Come, Let Us Adore Him
Program

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Combined Choirs

Quem pastores laudavere German, 14th century, arr. John Rutter

The One whom shepherds praised,
About whom the angels told,
Abandon all of your fears,
Born is the King of Glory.

To Him the Kings walked,
Carrying gold, frankincense, and myrrh,
Offering these things sincerely
For the glory of the birth of a King.

Of Christ the King, God born,
Who was given to us by Mary,
We should sing the merit
Praise, honor, and glory.

Processional Carol:
Angels from the Realms of Glory James Montgomery, 1771-1854, sts. 1-4, alt.
Salisbury Hymn Book, Salisbury, 1857, st. 5, alt.

(All stand to sing)

1. 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.

Refrain:
Come and worship, come and worship;
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

2. Shepherds in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
Yonder shines the Infant Light.
Refrain

3. Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations,
Ye have seen His natal star. *Refrain*

4. Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear. *Refrain*

5. All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising
To th'eternal Three in One. *Refrain*

Concordia Civic Chorale

Gaudete — 14th century Latin, arr. Michael Burkhardt

Rejoice! Rejoice! Christ is born of the Virgin Mary: Rejoice!

Ayden Dunst and Samuel Wilkins, percussion

Alleluia Ringers

Change Ring Prelude on "Of the Father's Love Begotten" — Fred Gramann

Chapel Choir

The Infant King — Basque Noël, arr. John Rutter

Kimberly Lundgren, piano

Combined Choirs

Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child — African-American Spiritual, arr. Lloyd Larson

Alexa Latzke, piano

Alleluia Ringers

Angels We Have Heard on High — John A. Behnke

Selah

Seven Joys of Mary — Traditional Irish, arr. Mark Sirett

Grace Giannotta, flute
Kimberly Lundgren, piano

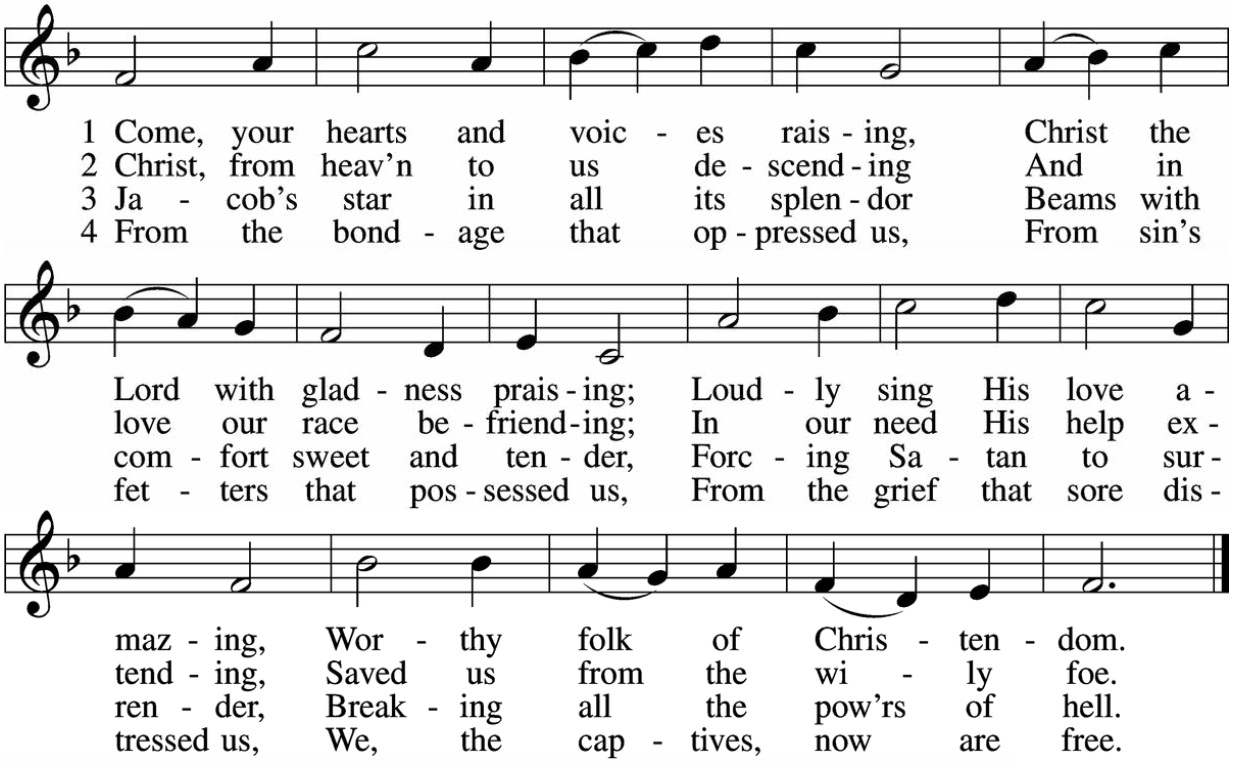
Kammerchor

And Every Stone Shall Cry Bob Chilcott

Carol:

Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising Paul Gerhardt, 1607-76
tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, alt.

(All stand to sing)



5. Oh, the joy beyond expressing
When by faith we grasp this blessing,
And to You we come confessing
That Your love has set us free.

6. Gracious Child, we pray, O hear us,
From Your lowly manger cheer us,
Gently lead us and be near us
Till we join Your choir above.

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15 Minute Intermission

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Jazz Ensemble

The First Noel arr. Yukiko Nishimura

Hark! The Herald arr. Chris Sharp

University Band

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken arr. James D. Ployhar
(Austrian Hymn)

Joyous Celebration arr. James Curnow
(Joy to the World)

Carol: *Silent Night* Franz Joseph Mohr 1792-1848
tr. John F. Young 1820-85

(All stand to sing)

1. 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.

2. Silent night, holy night!
   Shepherds quake at the sight;
   Glories stream from heaven afar,
   Heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia!
   Christ, the Savior, is born!
   Christ, the Savior, is born!

3. 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.

String Ensemble

The Journey of the Magi arr. Robert Longfield

***For Unto Us* (from *Messiah*)** George Frederic Handel
arr. Robert S. Frost

Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Cantique De Noël
(O Holy Night)

Adolphe Adam
arr. Harold L. Walters

Emmanuel Variants

Robert Foster

Carol: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

John F. Wade, c. 1711-86
tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-80, alt.

(All stand to sing)

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. Highest, most holy,
   Light of Light eternal,
   Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;
   Son of the Father
   Now in flesh appearing! *Refrain*

3. Sing, choirs of angels,
   Sing in exultation,
   Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
   Glory to God
   In the highest: *Refrain*

4. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
   Born this happy morning;
   Jesus, to Thee be glory giv'n!
   Word of the Father
   Now in flesh appearing! *Refrain*

Join us for our 2027 Concert Season

Fri., April 9 I 7:30 pm	University Band & Jazz Ensemble
Sat., April 10 I 7:30 pm	Orchestra & Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Thur., April 15 | 5:15pm (Rain Date April 22)	Falcon Pep Band (Chapel Courtyard)
Sat., April 17 | 3:30 pm	Alleluia Ringers & Civic Chorale
Sun., April 18 I 3:30 pm	Selah & Chapel Choir
Sun., April 25 I 3:30 pm	Kammerchor

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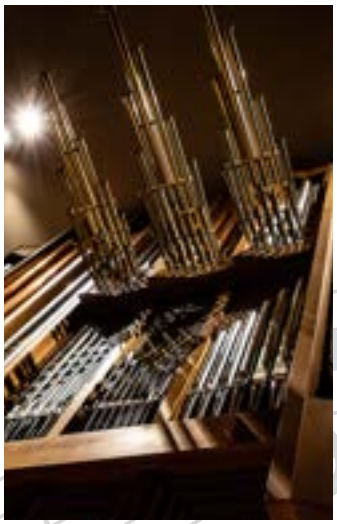
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Since 1881, Concordia University's mission has been teaching and preparing students for careers and vocations that serve the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Music has always been an integral part of that mission. The music department contributes to the spiritual, cultural, artistic, academic, and co-curricular aspects to university life on campus. As the campus has grown in scope and size, the music department has become more integral to the university mission and surrounding community.

Of the residential students, more than twenty percent participate in musical ensembles, applied instruction, and course study. More than half of the ensemble participants in the music department are non-music majors who wish to continue to perform and study music with our acclaimed faculty and conductors. Each year, as part of our concert series, all the departmental ensembles present two performances of Christmas at Concordia in the historic Chapel of Christ Triumphant. This production has received national acclaim and continues to be sold out numerous times to the extent of over 600 people per performance. Additionally, members of ensembles are extremely active in assisting with worship music at many of our local and regional (LCMS) congregations.

The curriculum offers a broad range of performance opportunities, including band, choir, handbells, and orchestra. Each year, the premier instrumental and choral ensemble takes a tour throughout the regional or continental United States. International travel opportunities have taken the ensembles to Asia, Europe, and South America.



For music majors, the curriculum offers undergraduate majors in Music Education (instrumental or choral emphasis) and Music with concentration in Church Music, Entrepreneurship/Non-Profit Management, or Health and Wellness. Mequon's proximity to the Milwaukee, Wisconsin, metropolitan area offers students a multitude of musical and cultural opportunities. Study of voice, piano, organ, and all band/orchestral instruments is available from faculty who are drawn from some of the finest professional performing ensembles in the Milwaukee and Madison areas. Students have an opportunity to hear their applied teachers perform with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, the Milwaukee Ballet Orchestra, Bel Canto Chorus/Orchestra, and countless other jazz and professional ensembles in the area.

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