



Glory to God

Middle School Christmas Concert

December 19, 2023

6:30 p.m.

SCLA Chapel



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St. Croix Lutheran Academy Middle School Christmas Concert

Preservice Music

Solos: Emily May Hadad, Samuel Gerber, Zach Schaefer

Small Ensemble: Emily May Hadad, Zach Schaefer, Zach Isenberger, Mikayla Nelson, Eli Grotewold,
Eli Larson, Mitchell Smith, Yixuan (Max) Ma

Welcome

Mr. Nate Kallies, Academy Principal

Student Greeting

Zach Schaefer

“Wenceslas Variants”Douglas E. Wagner
Beginner Band

“Jingle Bells”J.S. Pierpont
Beginner Band

Student Readings

Colt Kloss and Mikayla Nelson

“A Christmas Introit” (Hodie Christus Natus Est)..... Audrey Snyder
Cantate Choir

Christ is born today.

Christ is born today the angels sang so very long ago.

Christ is born today within our hearts, within our hearts and souls.

“The Herald Angel Swing”arr. Mike Story
Jazz Lab

“Rock on Merry Gents”arr. Victor Lopez
Jazz Lab

Christmas Message

Pastor Dustin Sievert

“O Come Little Children” arr. David Giardiniere
Cantate Choir

O come little children, O come one and all
To Bethlehem haste to the manger so small.
Come see what the father in heaven this night
Has sent down to earth for our joy and delight.

Come see in the stable mid oxen and sheep,
A Babe in a manger lies gently asleep.
As Mary and Joseph look on him in love,
A chorus of angels is singing above.

The shepherds are kneeling in silence to pray,
And dimly the light flickers over the hay.
The stars in the heaven shine down and adore him,
The stars in the heaven shine down and adore him.

Dear Jesus what gifts can we children bestow,
To tell our affection, our gladness to show.
You seek neither treasure nor wealth from the earth,
But hearts of devotion this night of your birth.

Student Readings

Grace Pekarek and Zach Isenberger

“Creator of the Stars of Night” Carol Browning

Cantate Choir

The audience is invited to join on the refrain.

Creator of the stars of night,
your people’s everlasting light,
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,
we pray you, hear us when we call.

Refrain



In sorrow that the ancient curse
should doom to death a universe,
you came O Savior to set free
your own in glorious liberty.

Refrain

At your great name, O Jesus now,
all knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
all things on earth with one accord
like those in heav’n shall call you Lord.

Refrain

To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
praise, honor, might, and glory be
from age to age eternally.

Refrain

“Angelic Hosts Proclaim”Jonathan McBride
Cadet Band

The Christmas Gosepel for All
Mr. Brad Essig, Middle School Director
Mitchell Smith, Jerry Yang, Luca Park, Emily May Hadad, Enzo Macau

“Carols of Joy”arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Cadet Band

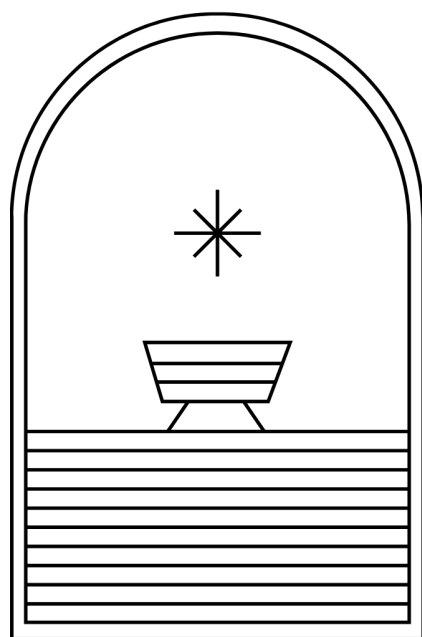
“Carol of the Bells” Mykola Leontovich, arr. Carol Brittin Chambers
Cadet Band

Closing Prayer
Pastor Dustin Sievert

“Joy to the World” Handel, Isaac Watts
Choir
The audience is invited to join on verses 3 and 4

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the
ceive her King; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous -
room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Closing
Mr. Brad Essig, Middle School Director



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Beginner Band, Cadet Band, and Jazz Lab

Flute		Henry Weir	COL	Trombone	
Gabrielle Barkow	COL	Sarah Wurst	SS	Ocean Aschittino	CNSP
Merida Cooper	COL			Samuel Gerber	SCLA
Raegan Huberty	CNSP	Tenor Saxophone		David Harper	CNSP
Veronica Means	COL	Eli Grotewold	SCLA	Colt Kloss	SCLA
Isabella Rosin	GS			Claire Kogler	COL
Rosemary Thompson	SJRW	Trumpet		Maddie Paulsen	COL
Madison Veldhuisen	RR	Asher Barkow	COL	Carina Ramirez	COL
		Hunter Bicek	SS	Hailey Reed	COL
		Chase Collova	CNSP	Cora Tessmer	COL
Violin		Jace Evers	SS		
Taein (Luca) Park	SCLA	Zachary Isenberger	SCLA	Baritone	
		Bryson Johnson	CNSP	William Fox	SCLA
Clarinet		Elijah Larson	SCLA	Jocelyn Kock	COL
Madalyn Abrahamson	COL	Abby Miller	COL	Felix Mulinix	COL
Xander Berka	CZ	Mikayla Nelson	SCLA	Luke Onken	SS
Autumn Dodge	SS	Jack Onken	SS	Mitchell Smith	SCLA
Olivia Johnson	GS	Hudson Pankratz	SCLA		
Lydia Kranz	SS	E'Lijah Parker	SCLA	Tuba	
Jonah Luepke	RR	Samuel Renner	RR	Calum Tess	COL
Yixuan (Max) Ma	SCLA	Arianna Rinear	CNSP		
Adriana Mateske	RR	Myles Roethler	RR	Percussion	
Tyler Olson	COL	Zachary Schaefer	SCLA	Zeke Cairney	GS
Siri Polzin	CNSP	Chase Schindeldecker	COL	Jackson DiGiacomo	CNSP
Brielle Rinear	CNSP	Nikolas Sell	SJRW	Mathias Dolan	SCLA
Maddie Rollins	SJRW	Bergen Shopbell	SS	Ethan Halfman	CNSP
Brooklynn Shopbell	SS	Elijah Sievert	COL	Piper Huey	RR
Allie Sundblad	CNSP	Jacklyn Tangen	CZ	Brennan Magyar	SS
Stella Whitlock	SJRW	Eve Van Proosdy	RR	Grant Peterson	SCLA
		David Veldhuisen	RR	Camden Prochnow	RR
Alto Saxophone		Charlotte Wales	COL	Sophia Schaefer	GS
Shelby Bauer	SJRW			Amara Todd	SCLA
Zoë Frahm	COL	French Horn		Hudson Veldhuisen	RR
Emily May Hadad	SCLA	Brita Kock	COL	Cooper Weismiller	SCLA
Josef Mendoza	CNSP	Antje Walters	SCLA	William White	GS
Erik Onken	SS			Annabelle Yost	GS
Easton Rasmussen	CZ			Violet Amundson	CZ
Carsten Thompson	SJRW			Daniel Boyum	CZ
Coen Vilski	COL			Lucas Otterstatter	COL

Thank you to the following schools for being a part of the Crusader Band Program!

Christ Lutheran School, North St. Paul = CNSP
 Christ Lutheran School, Zumbrota = CZ
 Crown of Life Lutheran School, West St. Paul = COL
 Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Burnsville = GS
 Resurrection Lutheran School, Rochester = RR
 Salem Lutheran School, Stillwater = SS
 St. Croix Lutheran Academy Middle School = SCLA
 St. John's Lutheran School, Red Wing = SJRW

Cantata Choir

Connor Aumann
Jamie Biehn
Lauren Duffy
Paige Duffy
Lindsey Fox
Natalie Gerber
Annalies Krueger

Sophia Mitsch
Grace Pekarek
Grant Peterson
Dakota Rahn
Alayna Rydel
Cayden Smart
Leilani Sprick

Andie Stachowiak
Amelia Storm
Tristan Subra
Antje Walters
Andy Tsz Fung Wei

Art

Enjoy the art on display by the middle school hallway (hall 4), outside of the auditorium. Projects this semester focused on the Elements of Art and introductions to different media, including oil pastel, charcoal (in-class exercises), colored pencil, and clay.

Thank You

Band Directors - John Fenske, Sara Rieke
Choir Director - Mike Marquardt
Art Teachers - Karen Scislow, Anna Biedenbender
Middle School Director - Brad Essig
Academy Principal - Nate Kallies
Campus Pastor - Dustin Sievert
Choir Accompanist - April Marquardt, piano; Lydia Schaefer, oboe, percussion
Administrative Assistant - Lisa Streckert

Upcoming Events

High School Christmas Concert - Dec. 21, 7:00 p.m.
Night to Shine - Feb. 9
High School Musical "Cinderella" - Feb. 16-18
Band Concert and Gathering Grounds - March 3, 2:30 p.m.
Grandparents Days - March 21-22
High School and Middle School Sacred Concert - March 27, 7:00 p.m.
Fine Arts Festival - April 13
Middle School Band Concert and Musical "The Sound of Music" - May 9-10

Merry Christmas!

from the faculty and staff of SCLA. God's blessings to you in the new year!



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