

*Fifty-third Annual  
Candlelight Christmas Concert*



*Featuring the  
Choirs and Orchestra  
of the  
Green Lake Church  
of Seventh-day Adventists*



*December 15, 2017*

*7:30 p.m.*

Prelude

Of the Father's Love Begotten  
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming  
Variations on "O Come, All Ye Faithful"  
Wanda Griffiths, Organist

Wilbur Held  
Michael Burkhardt  
Marcel Dupré

Candlelight Processional

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Traditional  
arr. David Willcocks

*Please rise as you are able for the singing of this carol.*

**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!*

**See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle,  
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;  
We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps:**

*Refrain*

**Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger,  
Fain we embrace thee, with awe and love;  
Who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?**

*Refrain*

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!**

*Refrain*

**Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!**

*Refrain*

Invocation

Pastor John McLarty

*Please be seated.*

Welcome

Pastors McLarty and Jouissance



Congregational Carol

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Tune: W ZLOBIE LEZY

*Please remain seated for the singing of this carol.*

**Infant holy, infant lowly, For his bed a cattle stall;  
Oxen lowing, little knowing, Christ the babe is Lord of all;  
Swift are winging angels singing, Noels ringing, tidings bringing,  
Christ the babe is Lord of all, Christ the babe is Lord of all.**

Carol

I Saw Three Ships  
Green Lake Church Junior Choir  
Green Lake Church Ringers  
Daniel Wassé, Piano

arr. Craig Curry

*I saw three ships come sailing in on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
I saw three ships come sailing in on Christmas Day in the morning.*

*And what was in those ships all three, on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
and what was in those ships all three, on Christmas Day in the morning?*

*The Savior, Christ, and his lady on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
the Savior, Christ, and his lady on Christmas Day in the morning.*

*Pray, wither sailed those ships all three, on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
pray, wither sailed those ships all three, on Christmas Day in the morning?*

*Oh, they sailed into Bethlehem, on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
Oh, they sailed into Bethlehem on Christmas Day in the morning.*

*And all the bells on earth shall ring, and all the angels in heav'n shall sing,  
and all the souls on earth shall sing, on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day!*

*Then let us all rejoice again, on Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
Then let us all rejoice again, on Christmas Day in the morning.  
On Christmas Day in the morning!  
On Christmas Day in the morning!*





*Come, then, banish all your sadness;  
One and all, great and small,  
come with songs of gladness.  
Love Him who with love is glowing;  
Hail the Star, near and far  
light and joy bestowing!*

*All my heart rejoices!  
Choirs are singing, joy is ringing;  
Christ is born!*

Scripture	The Shepherds Travel to Bethlehem Luke 2:15-20	Trevor Gardner
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Carol	All Praise to Thee Green Lake Church Singers	Elaine Hagenberg
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*All praise to Thee, eternal God,  
Who, clothed in garb of flesh and blood,  
Dost take a manger for Thy throne,  
While worlds on worlds are Thine alone.  
Alleluia.*

*Thou comest in the darksome night  
To make us children of the light,  
To make us in the realms divine,  
Like Thine own angels, round Thee shine.  
Alleluia.*

*A little Child, Thou art our Guest  
That weary ones in Thee may rest;  
Forlorn and lowly is Thy birth  
That we may rise to heav'n from earth.  
Alleluia. Amen.*

Carol	Carol of the Bells Green Lake Church Orchestra	Peter Wilhousky arr. Bill Calhoun
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Reading	The Child is Born Again	Karen Baker
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Carol

Sussex Carol  
Green Lake Church Singers

arr. Philip W. J. Stopford

*On Christmas night all Christians sing  
to hear the news the angels bring.  
News of great joy, news of great mirth,  
news of our merciful King's birth.*

*Then why should we on earth be so sad  
since our Redeemer made us glad.  
When from our sin did set us free  
all for to gain our liberty.*

*When sin departs before God's grace  
then life and health come in its place.  
Angels and all with joy may sing  
all for to see the newborn King.*

*All out of darkness we have light  
which made the angels sing this night.  
Glory to God and peace to all  
now and forever more. Amen.*

Reading

The Christmas Spirit

Trevor Gardner

Carol

We Shall Light a Thousand Candles  
Green Lake Church Singers

David Rasbach

*We shall light a thousand candles,  
dispelling the night with a glorious morn;  
We shall sing a thousand carols  
proclaiming our wonderful Savior is born!  
Tell it far and tell it near,  
Speak of the love He gave us;  
Every nation needs to hear:  
"Jesus was born to save us!"  
We shall light . . .*

*Go into the blinding night,  
Sing of this great salvation.  
Take the glorious Gospel light  
to every tongue and nation.  
We shall light a thousand candles,  
dispelling the night with a glorious morn;  
We shall sing a thousand carols  
proclaiming our wonderful Savior is born!  
We shall all proclaim  
that our wonderful Savior is born!*

Offering Invitation and Blessing

Pastor John McLarty

*The offering collected this evening will be donated in its entirety to Aurora Commons.*

Carol

Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day  
Green Lake Church Orchestra

Trad., arr. John Leavitt

Reading

Christmas Comes

Karen Baker

Carol

A Christmas Blessing  
Green Lake Church Singers

Philip W. J. Stopford

*May the joy of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds,  
the worship of the wise men and the peace of the Christ child  
be yours this Christmas.*

*May Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one all things earthly,  
all things heavenly, and fill you with joy and peace.*

*And the blessing of God the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit  
be with you and remain with you always. Amen.*



## CONGREGATIONAL CAROLS

*Please rise as you are able for the singing of these carols.*

### JOY TO THE WORLD

Tune: ANTIOCH

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven 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, and wonders of His love.

### HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Tune: MENDELSSOHN  
arr. David Willcocks

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 th'angelic host proclaim,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

*Refrain: 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 man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.

*Refrain*

*Please be seated for the remaining carols.*



WHAT CHILD IS THIS?

Tune: 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?

*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.*

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come, peasant, king, to own Him,  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

*Refrain*

SILENT NIGHT

Tune: STILLE NACHT

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.

Silent night, holy night, Darkness flies, all is light;  
Shepherds hear the angels sing,  
"Alleluia! Hail the King!  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born."

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.

Silent night, holy night, Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing,  
Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born.

*The ushers will dismiss the congregation in silence.*

*Please join us for a reception following the concert in the Fellowship Hall  
(below the sanctuary).*



*Silent Night,  
Holy Night*



### **Participants**

Green Lake Church Singers  
Dr. Wanda R. Griffiths, Conductor  
Minister of Music, Green Lake Church of Seventh-day Adventists

Green Lake Church Orchestra  
Alex Gagliu, Conductor

Green Lake Church Junior Choir  
Shelly LaGrone, Director

Green Lake Church Ringers  
Shelly LaGrone, Director

Pastor John McLarty, Senior Pastor  
Pastor Hanz Jouissance, Associate Pastor  
Green Lake Church of Seventh-day Adventists

Readers: Karen Baker and Trevor Gardner

Readings are taken from *Kneeling in Bethlehem* by Ann Weems.

### **Green Lake Church Junior Choir**

Kendall Baker  
Ava Bartin  
Luke Bartin  
Quinn Callender  
Sophia Casper

Elizabeth Josiah  
Katherine Josiah  
Francisco Lopez, Jr.  
Gemma McGrath

Sureya McGrath  
Nathan Mesfin  
Samuel Mesfin  
Oliver Morrow

Violet Morrow  
John Rickaby  
Megan Rickaby  
Richard Voth

### **Green Lake Church Ringers**

Taikiana Bell  
Margaret Fulton  
Bertha Hanson  
Gummi Ibsen

Curtis Lacy  
Marleen Land  
Samuel Mesfin

Megan Rickaby  
Daniel Wassé  
Dana Waters  
Vera Willis

## **Green Lake Church Singers**

### ***Soprano***

Virginia Bock  
Melody Bennett Gayle  
Clara Johnson  
Diane Johnson  
Jane Kapush  
Rhona Kwiram  
Verla Kwiram  
Nataliia Parkhomchuk  
Chris Reynolds  
Donna Van Fossen  
Elsie Weaver

### ***Alto***

Lucille Bertholf  
Romy Case  
Hellen Gagliu  
Shelly LaGrone  
Lisa Lowe  
Myrtle Mitchell  
Charlene Morrow  
Dana Waters  
Vera Willis

### ***Tenor***

Ken Fairchild  
Barrie Gayle  
Alvin Kwiram  
Greg Tiffany  
Hector Valdivia

### ***Bass***

Ken Case  
Michael Delos  
Lowell Dunston  
Mark Haun  
Arthur Lowe  
Viktor Parkhomchuk  
Ken Van Fossen

## **Green Lake Church Orchestra**

### ***Violins***

Patti Gibson  
Ava Lauer  
Gabriel Mays  
Phoebe Mays  
Karin McLarty  
Emma Naden-Johns  
Caleb Park  
Christopher Pham  
Elizabeth Pham  
Marc Ramirez  
Heidi Tastet

### ***Viola***

Charlotte Ishikawa  
Christian Lee  
Karl Vyhmeister

### ***Cello***

Addison Lee  
Sophie Naden-Johns  
Isabella Park  
Serafina Park  
Miles Trenchard  
Mary Walters

### ***String Bass***

Brent Armstrong

### ***Flute***

Rosalie Contreras

### ***Piano***

Stephanie Mays

### **Program Coordinators**

Scott and Jenn Callender

### **Deacons**

Douglas Morrow, Alwin Vyhmeister

### **Sound and Streaming**

Tad Ishikawa, Jeremy Mays, Richard Wonderly

### **Program Design and Layout**

Carolyn Lacy



**Green Lake Church Worship Division**

Charlene Morrow, Chair  
Rosalie Contreras, Associate Chair

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Brian McGrath

**Reception**

Janna Stern

**Childcare**

Anabelle Taratiera  
Sepeaue Taratiera

**Decorations**

Verla Kwiram, Bridgit Mehrer, Shirley Mehrer, Greg Simonson,  
Kim Mehrer Vaughn, Jacque Wolff, David Wood.  
Our thanks to the sponsors of the poinsettias.

**Safety**

Mark Haun  
Mark Voth



## TONIGHT'S CHARITY

Aurora Commons was started by a community of hopeful Aurora Avenue-obsessed neighbors, known as Awake, in March 2011. They were a few dozen people compelled by a calling to love God and to love our neighbors—literally the people of Aurora Avenue, many of whom are ignored, forgotten, and dismissed by society. After three years of building community through barbecues in motel parking lots, birthday parties at local parks, gardening, conversations on the 358 Metro bus, etc., they felt it was time to create a space where lives could intersect more intentionally on a daily basis. The Aurora Avenue Neighborhood Living Room was established at 8914 Aurora Avenue North.

Seattle's Aurora Avenue, an old state highway lined with used car lots, sex shops, fast food joints, and run-down motels, has long been known for its issues of homelessness, addiction, and sexual exploitation. Underneath all of these problems is the root issue of urban isolation. The founders believe that the most effective way to confront Aurora's problems is not by increasing law enforcement or adding social services, but rather by cultivating community and a corresponding network of care. Only then will the residents and neighborhood truly flourish.

Aurora Commons provides a safe place of hospitality along Aurora Avenue where the community seeks to grow the relational capacity within the neighborhood so that, as they care for one another, they may share space, resources, and the fullness of life. In order to offer a safe, hospitable space, they recognize that everyone is a precious human being, welcome the stranger, live prayerfully, illuminate and encourage the gifts of each person, and give and receive friendship.



### **What Aurora Commons Does**

*Fosters Community* through a daily coffee hour, weekly women's breakfasts, children's activities, community dinners, and educational classes in which neighbors share their skills with one another.

*Facilitates Holistic Renewal* through storytelling workshops, yoga/movement classes, massage, recovery circles, counseling, and prayerful living.

*Provides Resource Bridging, Case Management, and Housing Partnerships.* The Aurora Commons builds partnerships with area organizations and housing providers so that, through the case management it offers, it can appropriately direct unhoused neighbors to the resources they need, such as Catholic Community Service's Patrick Place, Penny's Place women's shelter, their own emergency fund, their own medical clinic, or other housing resources.

*Prostitution Survivors Project.* Most of the women who frequent the Commons are directly involved in sex work. More than ninety percent of these young women have a history of sexual abuse and most must weather not only the stigma of being prostituted but also their own addictions and the dangers they face daily just trying to survive. Through this initiative (which includes street outreach, survivors' breakfasts and dinners, case management, access to free medical care including free rapid HIV testing and safer sex supplies and education, counseling and support groups), the Aurora Commons provides the only safe, non-judgmental space on Aurora Avenue north of downtown where women involved in sex work can rest and be a part of a greater community of women who care.

More information is available at the Aurora Commons website:

[www.auroracommons.org](http://www.auroracommons.org).

## MINISTRIES AT GREEN LAKE CHURCH

### *Sabbath School*

Saturday mornings, volunteers create warm, happy experiences for children. This experience includes music and instruction in morals and spiritual life using the Bible as a primary text. For the younger children, there are crafts and snacks. For the older ones, there is thoughtful exploration of life issues. In all of these classes, there are opportunities for parents to connect with other parents.

### *Worship*

God and faith stand at the center of our life as a congregation. Saturday mornings at 11:00 we worship through music, preaching, and fellowship. Our music features organ, choir, and hymns. Often we have performances by guest musicians whose music ranges from classical to contemporary. The preaching is lucid and hopeful. The sense of community is warm and welcoming.

### *Seattle Adventist Student Association*

Green Lake Church provides major support for this student organization that connects students with each other in a setting that encourages friendship, moral development, deep spirituality, and thoughtful engagement with the world.

### *Hands Across the Waters*

This ministry exists to encourage awareness of needs inside and outside of our country and an opportunity to be directly involved. Weekly offerings are collected by the children after the children's story during the church service. Projects have included books for an orphanage in Mexico; a trip to help with orphanage construction; educational support of girl scholars in Africa; basic necessities for children in Gambell, Alaska; Canvasback Missions, providing health services and education in the South Pacific; construction of a preschool/elementary school in Ukraine; outfitting a science classroom at a Belize high school; and improving sanitation in a Lesotho (Africa) hospital; school scholarships for students and orphans in both India and Namibia (Africa); financial assistance to an orphanage in Ukraine; and an instructional mission trip to teach Native American students science and technology classes in Arizona.

### *Homeless Care Packages*

Distribution of gallon-size Ziploc® bags containing basic necessities to the homeless at freeway off-ramps. Contents of the bags may include soap, comb, toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, razor, shampoo, first-aid kit, sewing kit, pocket Bible, hand sanitizer, wipes, tissues, flashlight, emergency blanket, feminine hygiene supplies, and food.

### *Lecture Series*

Twice yearly—spring and fall—Green Lake Church sponsors a weekend Lecture Series with guest speakers on topics of theology and ethics. Contact the church office (206-522-1330) to be notified about future programs.

### ***Spiritual Direction***

Pastor McLarty and Pastor Jouissance welcome opportunities for conversation about spirituality or whatever is happening in your life. To set up a visit—at the church, a coffee shop, or elsewhere—contact the church office. The best days for appointments are Sundays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.

### ***Ronald McDonald House***

Every Thanksgiving, Green Lake Church provides the food for Thanksgiving dinner at the Ronald McDonald houses associated with Children’s Hospital. We typically feed about 80 families. Leftover funds and donated goods are provided to stock the pantries of the houses throughout the year.

### ***Green Lake Preschool and Childcare Center***

For more than twenty years, Green Lake Church has been the parent organization for the Green Lake Preschool and Childcare Center. Now a stand-alone nonprofit operating on the premises of the church, the preschool continues to provide quality childcare to the Green Lake community. People of all faiths and those without religious traditions are welcome at the preschool. It’s a safe place for any child to experience the important common denominators of unity, equality, respect, sharing, and community spirit. Since 1999, Green Lake Preschool has been continuously accredited by NAEYC. Late in 2016, the Green Lake Preschool and Childcare Center opened a second campus at 516 NW 56th Street in Ballard.



## THE GREEN LAKE CHURCH CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Green Lake Church Candlelight Christmas Concert began fifty-two years ago to raise money for a missionary family. In the fall of 1965, the local chapter of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Loma Linda University School of Medicine (spouses of Loma Linda University physicians) planned to assist a missionary doctor in Africa. Joyce Grauman, the Auxiliary President, not knowing she was about to start a tradition, had an idea for a fundraiser. She asked her father-in-law, Dr. Arthur Grauman, the Green Lake Church organist and choir director, "Could the Auxiliary sponsor a Christmas concert featuring Green Lake Church musicians and take a mission offering?" Dr. Grauman (a Loma Linda University School of Medicine alumnus) thought it was a splendid idea.

On December 24, 1965, Green Lake Church was filled for the first Candlelight Christmas Concert. The happy recipients of the offering were Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sturdevant at the Kendu Mission Hospital in Kenya, East Africa. They used the money to purchase a long-needed, new anesthesia machine.

Such a joyous event begged to be repeated, and by 1968 the concert was listed as the "Fourth Annual Christmas Candlelight Concert." The concert is now sponsored by Green Lake Church, and the charity receiving the offering is closer to home.

We are grateful for all the choir directors, organists, and other musicians who have planned and participated in the concerts since 1965, and especially grateful to the Women's Auxiliary and to Joyce Grauman for starting this beloved Green Lake Church Christmas tradition.

A special thanks to Joyce Grauman and Janet Grauman Johnson for relating their memories, to church secretaries for filing bulletins and newsletters, and to Mildred Jensen for preserving choir programs (and knowing where to find them upon request).

— Dana Waters and Wanda R. Griffiths

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The church office is open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wednesday and Friday.