



THE BLUE COAT SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE



Thursday 9th December 2010

7.00pm

In the School Chapel

Organist: Mr P Miller

Director of Music: Mr S Emery

Choir:

**Hodie from Ceremony of Carols
CONGREGATION PLEASE STAND**

Britten

Procession:

Once in Royal David's City

1) Solo:

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.

2) Choir Only

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 and mean and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

3) All

And through all His wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly Maiden,
In whose gentle arms He lay:
Christian children all must be, mild,
Obedient, good as He.

4) All

For He is our childhood's pattern
Day by day like us He grew.
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us He knew:
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.

5) All

And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love,
For that child so dear and gentle,
Is our Lord in heaven above;
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.

**Welcome and Prayer
Canon Janet Eastwood**

THE CONGREGATION IS SEATED

Choir:

On This Day Earth Shall Ring

Stewart

Lesson 1: Christ's Birth and Kingdom are Foretold

Isaiah ix

Choir:

Little Camel Boy

Walters

(Congregation join in humming of "Silent Night" in Verse 3)

Choir and Congregation - ALL STAND

Hark the Herald

1) All

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 th'angelic host proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem.
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the new born King.

2) All

Christ, by highest heav'n adored
Christ, the everlasting Lord
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the new born King

3) All

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son 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 sings
Glory to the new-born King.

Choir: **Riu Riu Chiu** **Spanish Traditonal**

Lesson 2: The Angel Gabriel Salutes the Virgin Mary **Luke i**

Choir: **Infant Holy, Infant Lowly** **Polish Carol arr. Willcocks**

Lesson 3: St Luke tells of the Birth of Jesus **Luke ii**

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night

1)

While shepherds watched their flocks by night
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came down.
And glory shone around.

2)

'Fear not' said he (for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind);
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.

3)

'To you in David's town this day
Is born of David's line
A saviour who is Christ the Lord;
And this shall be the sign:

4)

'The heavenly babe you there shall find
To human view displayed,
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
And in a manger laid.'

5)

Thus spake the seraph; and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels praising God, who thus
Addressed their joyful song:

6)

'All glory be to God on high
And to the earth be peace;
Good will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease.'

Lesson 4: The Shepherds go to the Manger **Luke ii**
Mr M T Pearson

Choir: **Jesus Child** **Rutter**

Lesson 5: The Wise Men Are Led by a Star to Jesus **Matthew ii**
Ms J M Shaw Chair of Governors

Choir: **Candlelight Carol** **Rutter**

Unto Us Is Born A Son

1) All

Unto us is born a Son
King of quires supernal:
See on earth his life begun
Of lords the Lord eternal,
Of lords the Lord eternal

2) All

Christ, from heav'n descending low,
Comes on earth a stranger;
Ox and ass their owner know,
Be cradled in the manger
Be cradled in the manger.

3) Men only

This did Herod sore affray,
And grievously bewilder,
So he gave the word to slay,
And slew the little childer,
And slew the little childer

4) Women and children only

Of his love and mercy mild
This the Christmas story;
And O that Mary's gentle Child
Might lead us up to glory,
Might lead us up to glory!

5) All

O and A, and A and O Cum cantibus in choro
Let our merry organ go,
Benedicamus Domino,
Benedicamus Domino.

Choir:

Locus Iste

Bruckner

Silent Night

1) All

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) All

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds first saw the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Saviour is born
Christ, the Saviour is born

3) All

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

Lesson 6:

**St. John Unfolds the Great Mystery
of the Incarnation**

John i

Mrs D A Silcock

Headteacher

Choir:

The Heavens Are Telling

Haydn

Choir and Congregation:

O Come All Ye Faithful

1) ALL

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!

2) ALL

God of God
Light of Light,
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb:
Very God,
Begotten not created.

3) ALL

See how the shepherds,
Summoned to His cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw
nigh with lowly fear;
We too will thither
Bend our joyful footsteps.

4) ALL

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?

5) ALL

Sing choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God
In the highest.

Blessing.

Canon Janet Eastwood

Choir:

Holy Night

Adam

**The Choir will process out
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