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"OF DAVID'S LINE"

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A Christmas Choral Service presented by the Vancouver Youth Chorale in cooperation with First United Church
EVENING BROADCAST SERVICE SUNDAY, DEC. 16, 1979 7p.m.
(Heard over CKIX at 8 p.m.)

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ORGAN PRELUDE
A WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL: "Hodie Christus natus est"
"Of the Father's Love Begotten" 12th Cent. Britten

INVOCATION
SCRIPTURE LESSON JEREMIAH 23:5-8
SOLO AND CONGREGATIONAL HYMN No. 112 (70)

"Once In Royal David's City"
verse 1, sung by Deedee Pritchard
verses 2-6, sung by congregation

REFLECTION
ANTHEM: "Alma Redemptoris"
LITANY OF THE RIGHTEOUS BRANCH
Palestrina

Congregational Response:
-Root Your Mighty Salvation Into Our Broken Lives

ANTHEM: "When Christ Was Born Of Mary Tree" J. Gardner
READING: "December 24th"
SOLO: "I Wonder as I Wander" -sung by Moyra Vannus-
SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 2:25-35
REFLECTION

ANTHEM: "Down In Yon Forest" J. Burden
LITANY OF INCARNATION Soloist Tom Dukowski
-In The Spirit Of Confession-
Congregational Response:

-Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight
ANTHEM "Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" E. Poston

READING: "Christmas Encyclical" J. Auslander
REFLECTION
ANTHEM: "Dies Sanctificatus" J. Eybler
REFLECTION
SOLO: "All Poor Folk and Humble" -verse one-
Soloist Doug Gardiner
SCRIPTURE LESSON ROMANS 8:31-35, 37-39
SOLO: "All Poor Folk..." -verse two-
REFLECTION
ANTHEM: "Tubilate Domino" Marsh/Swann
LITANY OF HOPE

Congregational Response:
- Lift up Our Heads That We May See
Our Redemption Drawing Near
HYMN: "All People That On Earth Do Dwell" No. 12 (669)
-During the singing of this hymn an offering
will be received -

BENEDICTION
RECESSIONAL ANTHEM
"Ding Dong Merrily On High" Arr. Williamson

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Participating in this celebration are:
JACK SHAVER Minister of the congregation
ART GRIFFIN Superintendent of First United Church
LINDA ERVIN Deaconess
LINDA GREEN Student Intern
GERALD HOBBS Organist
DAYLE PILLER Accompanist -Vancouver Youth Chorale
IAN LYTHGOE Director -Vancouver Youth Chorale
MEMBERS OF THE VANCOUVER YOUTH CHORALE.

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CONTINUITY

ORGAN PRELUDE

A WELCOME

This is the broadcast of worship from First United Church in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver. Tonight we are using the whole hour of First Church Sunday Night for a choral and reading service entitled OF DAVID'S LINE. Len Iltis is directing the Vancouver Youth Choral. Gerald Hobbs is playing the organ and the readings are given by the clergy staff of the church.

The service is divided into three sections, each closing with a Prayer Litany. The congregational responses are printed in the bulletin.

The Lord be with you.

PROCESSIONAL

"Hodie Christus Natus Est"
"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

INVOCATION

We praise you, O God, for the things that are, and have been, and that future years shall see.

We recognize every new creation of yours in us as rooted in your coming before, and every present gift of yours as a foretaste of what is to come.

Thanks be to God.

AMEN

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 23: 5-8 Art Gilman

SOLO AND CONGREGATIONAL HYMN No 112 (70)

"Once in Royal David's City."

Verses 1 sung by Deedee Pritchard

Verses 2 - 6 sung by the congregation

REFLECTION ON

The coming of Christ, about which the Nations have sung for 1900 years was seen as rooted in the past. This mighty salvation was rooted in David's line, a not very likely dynasty.

Yet he brought such light to the earth and caused such a revolution in values that even the angels were amazed. ...That the majesty of God should be declared to consist in His emptying himself that sinners might be reconciled unto him: ---

Even that light fell where it did not entirely penetrate. Western Christendom infected so much of its own notion of majesty into its image of Christ that the church found herself praying to the mother of Jesus on behalf of the fallen

The chorale sings ALMA REDEMPTORIS

Kind mother of the redeemer
The open gateway to heaven
help your fallen people who strive to rise again.
We pray you who bore your holy Son
who received the greeting from the angel Gabriel
Have mercy on sinners.

"Alma Redemptoris."

LITANY OF THE RIGHTEOUS BRANCH

Linda Green

Congregational response:-

Root your mighty salvation into our broken lives.

1:30

13:20 2:50

10:30

1:30

4:00

2:20

3:15

4:45

8:00

MUSIC

ANTHEM	"When Christ Was Born Of Mary Free"	Linda Ervin	1:35
READING	"December 24th"	Linda Ervin	1:30
SOLO	"I wonder as I Wander"	Moyra Vanus	11:00
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 21: 25-35	Art Griffin	1:30
REFLECTION	Whenever anyone is even partly grasped by the mystery of the Incarnation they are confronted with a total paradox.		18:30
How the God of all the earth could undergo the conditions of existence?			
How God can save the world by being edged out of it unto a cross?			
Sometimes folk music catches this confluence of opposites like no other art. Listen for the odd but moving metaphors in this piece - DOWN IN YON FOREST.			
ANTHEM	"Down in Yon Forest"	Solist Tom Dukowski	2:20
LITANY OF THE INCARNATION			
Congregational response:-			
Enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight.			
INTRODUCTION TO ANTHEM			
The Tree of Life my soul hath seen laden with fruit and always green The trees of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ my apple tree.			
ANTHEM	"Jesus Christ the Apple Tree."	UNTO US A BOY IS BORN	3:35
READING	"Christmas Encyclical"	Linda Ervin	3:30
REFLECTION	How seat the Gentle with the Jew? The question was both answered and aggravated by the coming of Christ.		3:30
Such a light danned that first century that Gentiles have been glorifying God ever since, the outsiders were brought in.			
Here is a Latin Anthem DIES SANCTIFICATUS See now a hallowed day hath descended on us O come ye Gentiles before the Lord, For a mighty light descends to earth.			
ANTHEM	"Dies Sanctificatus."		
REFLECTION	That same coming put down the mighty and exalted the humble.		
SOLO	verse 1 "All Poor Folk and Humble"	Robert Shaver	1:30
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Romans 8: 31-35, 37-39	Art Griffin	1:30
SOLO	verse 2 "All Poor Folk and Humble"	Robert Shaver	1:30
REFLECTION	The very coming we rejoice in gives us back the lightful world and will not permit us to whitewash it or take flight from it. When the world of woe penetrates our lives, God penetrates our lives. It's a transformed heart that grieves for the world. It's a grieving heart that allows God to draw near.		1:30