

Celebrating the

Spirit of Christmas

'Christmas Carols for the City'

Wesley Uniting Church, corner of William & Hay Streets, Perth



Thursday 19 December 2024



Uniting Church in Australia
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WELCOME

Please stand as you are able and join us in singing

HYMN: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
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!*

True God of true God, Light of Light eternal,
lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Son of the Father, begotten not created:

O come, let us adore him ...

See how the shepherds summoned to his cradle,
leaving their flocks, draw nigh with holy fear;
we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps:

O come, let us adore him ...

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

O come, let us adore him ...

OUTBACK CHRISTMAS: The Coming Bushman

by Norman Habel. Read by Rev Hollis Wilson

Please stand as you are able and join us in singing

HYMN: "Silent Night"

Silent night, holy night:
all is calm, all is bright
round the virgin mother and child,
holy infant so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night;
shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing, 'Alleluia!
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born.'

Silent night, holy night:
wondrous star, lend your light;
with the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King;
Christ our saviour is born,
Christ our Saviour is born.

*Joseph Mohr 1792 – 1848
tr. John Freeman Young 1820 – 1885 alt.*

SOLO: Silent night

F. Gruber arr. A. Frackenpohl

Brass Quintet, Angela Currie (organ)

OUTBACK CHRISTMAS: Old Joseph the Carpenter

by Norman Habel. Read by Rev Hollis Wilson

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HYMN: "Joy to the world"

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
let earth receive its king;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns;
let us our songs employ;
while fields and streams, rocks, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

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, wonders of his love.

*Isaac Watts 1674 – 1748 alt.
Based on Psalm 98*

SOLO: Christmas Cradle Song

Angela Currie (organ)

Alfred Hollins (1865 – 1942)

OUTBACK CHRISTMAS: Coming Home

by Norman Habel. Read by Rev Hollis Wilson

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HYMN: "Hark! the herald angels sing"

Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful all you nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem".

*Hark the herald angels sing
glory to the new-born King.*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate Deity,
pleased in human flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel.

Hark the herald angels sing ...

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 we no more need die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.

Hark the herald angels sing ...

A retiring offering will be taken for the Christmas Bowl Appeal.

Please enjoy listening to the Wesley Brass Quintet as you leave.

Act for Peace Christmas Bowl Appeal

In the midst of division and chaos, the Christmas Bowl is a vital channel for expressing our unity in Christ. It provides a powerful mechanism for sharing God's love, with those who need it, through practical Christian action.

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Angela Currie

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Sarah Brown (trumpet)

Fletcher Cox (trumpet)

Sarah Brien (horn)

Jeremy Mazurek (trombone)

Steven Harmer (tuba)

Celebrate Christmas

with the Uniting Church in the City

Friday 20 December

1pm, 'Wesley at One' Music Recital at Wesley
*Featuring the organists of the Uniting Church in the City:
Angela Currie, Boyd Peters & Alessandro Pittorino*

6pm, Friday Night Fellowship Christmas Carols Service at Wesley
Enjoy singing all the best Christmas carols in a lovely, inclusive atmosphere

Christmas Eve

7pm, Service of Lessons and Carols at Trinity

11pm, Christmas Eve Service at Wesley
*With Angela Currie (Director of Music/Organist), Wesley Choral Scholars
& Wesley Brass*

Christmas Day

9am, Christmas Celebration at Trinity

10am, Christmas Celebration at Wesley
*With music from the Wesley Brass & Wesley Singers
Directed by Angela Currie (Director of Music/Organist)*

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