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MOSELEY HALL GRAMMAR SCHOOL
CHEADLE



A CHRISTMAS SERVICE
of CAROLS and LESSONS
at St. Mary's Parish Church
CHEADLE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19th at 2 p.m.
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20th at 7 p.m.
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ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

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.

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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, the mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour Holy.

And, through all His wondrous
childhood

He would honour and obey,
And watch the lowly Maiden
In whose gentle arms He lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as He.

Prayers — The Rector

Rev. GORDON HARMAN, M.A.

FIRST LESSON — Gen. xxii., vv. 15 - 18.

READ BY A BOY SCHOLAR

INTRO.

CAROL. MID-WINTER.

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter,
Long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When he comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty
Jesus Christ.

SECOND LESSON — Isaiah ix, vv. 2, 6 & 7. READ BY A BOY SCHOLAR

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.

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.

Not in that poor lowly stable
With the oxen standing by
We shall see Him, but in Heaven
Set at God's right hand on high:
When like stars His Children crowned
All in White shall wait around.

Angels and Archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and Seraphim
Thronged the air:
But only His mother
In her maiden bliss
Worshipped the Belovéd
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man
I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give Him
Give my heart.

GERMAN CAROL.

VOM HIMMEL HOCH, O ENGLEIN KOMMT

I.
Vom Himmel hoch, o Englein kommt
Eia, Eia, Susani, Susani, Susani,
Kommt, singt und klingt,
Kommt, pfeift und trombt,
Halleluja, Halleluja.
Von Jesu singt und Maria.

II.
Hie muss die Musik himmlisch sein,
Weil diess ein himmlisch Kindelein.

III.
Schr stüss muss sein der Orgel Klang
Süss über allen Vogelsang

IV.
Singt Fried den Menschen
weit und breit
Gott Preis und Ehr in Ewigkeit.

CAROL INTRO

CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

1.
It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold:
'Peace on earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King!'
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

2.
Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heavenly music floats;
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing;
And ever o'er its babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

THIRD LESSON — Isaiah xi, vv. 1-6

READ BY THE HEAD GIRL

FRENCH CAROL. QUITTEZ PASTEURS

1.
Quittez, pasteurs,
Vos brebis, vos houlettes, ✓
Votre hameau
Et le soin du troupeau; ✓
Changez vos pleurs
En une joie parfaite:
Allez tous adorer
Un Dieu, un Dieu; un Dieu
Qui vient vous consoler.

3.
Esprit divin
A qui tout est possible ✓
Percez nos cœurs
De vos douces ardeurs: ✓
Notre destin
Par vous devient paisible,
Dieu prétend nous donner
Le ciel, le ciel, le ciel,
En venant s'incarner.

3.
Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angel-strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, brings not
The love song which they bring:
O hush the noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing.

4.
For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet-bards foretold,
When, with the ever-circling years,
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendours fling,
And the whole world give back
The song
Which now the angels sing.

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INTRO CAROL

1. Behold the great Creator makes
Himself a house of clay,
A robe of human flesh he takes
Which he will wear for ay.

2. Hark, hark, the wise eternal Word
Like a weak infant cries!
In form of servant is the Lord,
And God in cradle lies.

5. Join then, all hearts that are not
stone,
And all our voices prove,
To celebrate this holy one,
The God of peace and love.

FOURTH LESSON — Isaiah lii, vv. 6-10

READ BY THE CAPTAIN OF THE SCHOOL.

CHORD CAROL O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by,
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee to-night.

O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth;
For Christ is born of Mary,
And, gather'd all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.

HYMN CAROL

WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED

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:"

3. This wonder struck the world amazed
It shook the starry frame;
Squadrons of spirits stood and gazed,
Then down in troops they came.

4. Glad shepherds ran to view this sight;
A choir of angels sing,
And eastern sages with delight
Adore this King of Kings.

5. Join then, all hearts that are not
stone,
And all our voices prove,
To celebrate this holy one,
The God of peace and love.

FOURTH LESSON — Isaiah lii, vv. 6-10

READ BY THE CAPTAIN OF THE SCHOOL.

CHORD CAROL O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear His coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him
still as
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to-day,
We hear the Christmas Angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

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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 on the earth be peace;
Good-will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease."

FIFTH LESSON — St. Luke ii, vv. 1-7. READ BY THE SENIOR MISTRESS

SPANISH CAROL — LAS POSADAS

¿Quién les da posada
a estos peregrinos
que vienen cansados
de andar los caminos?

Por más que digáis
que venis rendidos
no damos posada
a desconocidos.

Venimos rendidos
desde Nazaret
yo soy carpintero
de nombre José

Posada os damos
con mucha alegría
entra, José justo
entra con María.

CAROL

CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

INTRO ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship,
Worship Christ the new-born
King.

Shepherds in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing;
Yonder shines the infant Light:
Come and worship,
Worship Christ the new-born
King.

Sages leave your contemplations;
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of Nations;
Ye have seen His natal star:
Come and worship,
Worship Christ the new-born
King.

Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear:
Come and worship,
Worship Christ the new-born
King.

Though an infant now we view Him,
He shall fill His Father's throne,
Gather all the nations to Him;
Every knee shall then bow down,
Come and worship,
Worship Christ the new-born
King.

SIXTH LESSON — St. Matthew ii, vv. 1-11.

INTRO.

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1. *Al.*
Unto us a boy is born! ✓
King of all creation, ✓
Came he to a world forlorn, ✓
The Loed of every-nation.

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2. Cradled in a stall was he
With sleepy cows and asses; ✓
But the very beasts could see
That he all men surpasses.

3. *Al.*
Omega and Alpha he! ✓
Let the organ thunder, ✓
While the choir with peals of glee
Doth rend the air ^{assunder}.

CAROL. INTRO.

1. Thou whose birth on earth
Angels sang to men, ✓
While thy stars made mirth, ✓
Saviour, at thy birth, ✓
This day born again;

2. As this night was bright
With thy cradle-ray, ✓
Very light of light, ✓
Turn the wild world's night
To thy perfect day.

SEVENTH LESSON — St. Luke ii, vv. 8-14.

READ BY A PARENT

LATIN CAROL. CARD.

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1.
Personent hodie
Voces puerulae,
Laudantes iucunde
Qui nobis est natus,
Summo Deo datus,
Et de virgineo ventre procreatus.

2.
In mundo nascitur,
Pannis involvitur,
Praesepe ponitur,
Stabulo brutorum,
Rector supernorum.
Perdidit spolia principes infernorum.

READ BY THE SENIOR MASTER

Recess and Tenors

3.
Hered then with fear was filled: ✓
"A prince", he said, "in Jewry!" ✓
All the little boys he killed
At Bethlem in his fury.

4. *Soprano*
Now may Mary's son, who came
So long ago to love us,
Lead us all with hearts aflame
Unto the joys above us.

3. ✓
Thou, the Word and Lord, ✓
In all time and space
Heard, beheld, adored, ✓
With all ages poured
Forth before thy face.

4. ✓
Bid our peace increase, ✓
Thou that madest morn; ✓
Bid oppressions cease; ✓
Bid the night be peace; ✓
Bid the day be born!

3.
Magi tres venerunt,
Parvulum inquirunt,
Parvulum inquirunt,
Stellulam sequendo,
Ipsium adorando,
Aurum tus, et myrrham ei offerendo

4.
Omnes clericuli,
Pariter pueri,
Contenti ut angeli:
Advenisti mundo,
Laudes tibi fando,
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!

FRENCH CAROL

MARIE, LEVEZ-VOUS

Marie, levez-vous,
Hâtez-vous, je vous prie, ✓
Evitons le courroux,
Evitons la furie, ✓
Sauvons-nous de la rage
D'Hérode ce tyran, ✓
Qui destine au carnage
Notre petit enfant. ✓

Hérode a tout pouvoir
Sur toute la province, ✓
Et nous devons savoir
Qu'il est un puissant prince; ✓
Scrait-il donc impie ✓
Et rempli de fureur
D'attenter à la vie
De Jésus, le Sauveur.

Seigneur, nous vous prions
De vouloir nous conduire; ✓
Dieu nous vous supplions
Que rien ne puisse nuire ✓
A cet enfant aimable
Qui repose en nos bras; ✓
Soyez-nous secourable,
Et guidez tous nos pas. ✓

EIGHTH LESSON — St. Luke ii, vv. 15-20

READ BY A GOVERNOR

HYMN-CAROL

CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

INTRO.

THE FIRST NOEL

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1. The first Noel the Angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds
In fields where they lay keeping
In a cold winter's night that was
Noel, noel, noel, noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

2. Then wise men guided by a star,
Came from the eastern countries
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star where-so-
Noel, noel, noel, noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

3.
This Star drew nigh to the
O'er Bethlehem, it took its rest,
And there it ~~did~~ stop and stay,
Right over the place where
Noel, noel, noel, noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

CAROL (KEEP
CHORD. STANDING)
INTRO -
The Kings.

KINGS OF ORIENT

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1.
We three kings of Orient are;
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and
mountain.

Following yonder star:
*O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.*

Melchoir.

2.
Born a king on Bethlehem plain,
Gold I bring, to crown him again—
King for ever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign:

NINTH LESSON — St. John i, vv. 1 - 14

READ BY THE HEADMASTER

HYMN - CAROL

CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

INTRO - O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

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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
Christ the Lord.

God of God,
Light of light
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb
Very God, begotten not created,
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choir of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above,
Glory to God
In the Highest:
O come, let us adore him
Christ the Lord.

COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

SCHOOL PRAYER AND BLESSING

Rev. GORDON HARMAN, M.A.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

INTRO -

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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.

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 so more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King.

CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

Christ by highest Heav'n adored,
Christ, the Everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the Virgin's Womb;
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, the Incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel,
Hark! the herald angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King.

CAROL SERVICE

A retiring Silver Collection will be taken at the door.