

**Sunday, December 10, 2023**

**Old First Concerts**

**Ragazzi Boys Chorus**

**Texts & Translations**

**Veni, Veni, Emmanuel**

Veni, veni Emmanuel!  
Captivum solve Israel  
Qui gemit in exilio,  
Privatus Dei Filio.

O come, O come, Emmanuel!  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear.

Veni, O Jesse Virgula;  
Ex hostis tuos ungula  
De specu tuos tartari,  
Educ, et antro barathri.

O come, thou Branch of Jesse! Draw  
The quarry from the lion's claw;  
From the dread caverns of the grave,  
From nether hell, thy people save.

Veni, veni, O Oriens;  
Solare nos adeniens;  
Noctis depelle nebulas,  
Dirasque noctis tenebras.

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!  
Pour on our souls thy healing light;  
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom,  
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.

**Laudamus Te**

Laudamus te, Benedicimus te,  
Adoramus te, Glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

We praise you, we bless you,  
We worship you, we glorify you.  
We give thanks to you for your great glory.

**My Light**

I found my source of light  
It fell like a petal out of yours  
And I went slowly out to meet it.

**Where the Light Begins**

Perhaps this day  
will be the mountain  
over which  
the dawn breaks.

Perhaps we  
will turn our face  
toward it,  
toward what has been  
Always.

Perhaps  
our eyes  
will finally open  
in ancient recognition,  
willingly dazed,  
illuminated at last.

Perhaps this day  
the light begins  
in us.

### **We Three Kings**

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.

Born a king on Bethlehem plain,  
Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never  
Over us all to reign.

### **Festive Alleluia**

Alleluia.

### **L'dor Vador**

L'dor va-dor nagid godlekha  
u-l'netzah n'tzahim  
k'dushat'kha nakdish,  
v'shiv'hakha eloheinu mi-pinu  
lo yamush l'olam va'ed,  
ki El melek gadol v'kadosh atah.  
Barukh atah, Adonai, hamelekh ha-kadosh.

### **Ubi Caritas**

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.  
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

### **People, Look East**

People, look east. The time is near  
Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
One more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
That in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Frankincense to offer have I;  
Incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising, all men raising,  
Worship Him, God on high.

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
Sorr'wing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
Sealed in the stone cold tomb.

Glorious now behold Him arise,  
King and God and sacrifice.  
Heav'n sings, 'Alleluia';  
'Alleluia' the Earth replies.

Give praise to God.

From generation to generation we will tell of Your  
greatness and through all eternity we will sanctify  
Your holiness, and Your praise, our God, will not  
depart from our mouths forever and ever. For You  
are the Almighty who is King; Great and Holy,  
Blessed are You, Adonai, the Almighty, the Holy  
One.

Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Love of Christ has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice in Him and be glad.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And from a sincere heart let us love one.

Birds, though ye long have ceased to build,  
guard the nest that must be filled.  
Even the hour when wings are frozen  
He for fledging time has chosen.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
One more light the bowl shall brim.  
Shining beyond the frosty weather,  
Bright as sun and moon together.

Angels, announce to man and beast  
Him who cometh from the East.  
Set ev'ry peak and valley humming  
with the word the Lord is coming.

### **Haneirot Halalu**

Haneirot halalu, anu madlikin  
Al hanisim ve'al hanifla'ot  
Ve'al hateshu'ot, ve'al hamilchamot  
She'asita la'avoteinu  
Bayamim haheim bazman hazeh  
Al yedei kohanecha hak'doshim.

V'chol sh'monat yemei Chanukah  
Haneirot halalu, haneirot halalu kodesh heim.  
Ve'ein lanu reshut lehishtameish bahem  
Ela lir'otam bilvad  
Kedei lohodot ulehalleil leshimcha hagadol  
Al nissehcha ve'al yeshuatehcha  
Ve'al nifle'otehcha.

### **Waiting for the Light of Morning**

Ní neart go cur le chéile.  
Ná caill do chroí.  
Ar scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine.

### **See Amid the Winter's Snow**

Alleluia, Alleluia.

See, amid the winter's snow,  
Born for us on earth below,  
See the tender Lamb appears,  
Promised from eternal years.

Hail, thou ever blessed morn,  
Hail redemption's happy dawn,  
Sing through all Jerusalem:  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Lo, within a manger lies

### **Cornerstone**

O the stone that the builders rejected  
became the cornerstone of a whole new world.  
A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground  
and suffer through the winter's cold,  
only to rise right up again  
and bear its seed a thousandfold.  
Never can our journey fail;

These Chanukah lights we kindle  
In honor of the miracles, the wonders  
And salvation wrought and wars  
You fought, for our fathers,  
In days of yore and in present time  
By the hands of Your holy priests.

And throughout Chanukah's eight days  
These lights, these lights shall be sacred:  
No right to make use of them have we  
Only to look at them and see,  
That Your great Name we may thank and praise for  
the miracles and salvation You brought and for  
Your wondrous deeds

There is no strength without unity.  
Don't lose heart.  
In the shelter of each other, people survive.

He who built the lofty skies,  
He, who throned in light sublime,  
Sits amid the cherubim.

Sacred infant, all divine,  
Tender love was Thine,  
Thus to come from highest bliss,  
Down to such a world as this.

Hail, thou ever blessed morn,  
Hail redemption's happy dawn,  
Sing through all Jerusalem:  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

a little child will lead the way,  
whose eyes are filled with a shining light,  
to whom the night is bright as day.  
The love that rolls the stone away  
gives us life and that we may sing  
"Grave where is thy victory?  
Death, o death, where is thy sting?"

### **Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas**

Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for the glorious season.  
Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for a happy new year.

Sing merrily, merrily, loud and strong,  
Welcome the wintry season.  
Just follow along with the holiday song.  
Santa is here again, yes!

Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for the glorious season.  
Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for a happy new year.

### **Joy to the World**

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

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let men their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

The reindeer fly, if you need any proof.  
It's merely a matter of reason.  
Just listen, you'll hear when they land on the roof.  
Santa is here again, yes!

Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for the glorious season.  
Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for a happy new year.

Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
Sing a song for the glorious season.  
Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas!  
It's a magical, miracle, annual, lyrical,  
Sing-along now, sing a song for a happy new year!