

*I Sing of a maiden, that is makeless,  
King of all kings to her son she ches.*



## *Portraits of the Nativity*

**Sunday, December 10, 2017, 7:00 p.m.  
Waverly Road Presbyterian Church  
Kingsport, Tennessee**



**Patricia Denmark, Director  
Erin Elizabeth Raines, Accompanist**

# Program

The Angel: <i>Angelus ad Virginem</i>	Sarah Malone, harp	John Rutter
The Birth: <i>Hodie Christus Natus Est</i>		Agneta Sköld
The Mother: <i>I Sing of a Maiden</i>		Patrick Hadley
The Father: <i>The Hands that First Held Mary's Child</i>	Georgia Sinko, cello	Dan Forrest
The Baby: <i>Cradle Hymn</i>		Kim André Arnesen
The Animals: <i>The Friendly Beasts</i>		Anne-Marie Hildebrandt
The Star: <i>Brightest and Best</i>	Elizabeth Burch, violin Georgia Sinko, cello	Shawn Kirchner
The Angels and Shepherds: <i>Angelus ad Pastores ait</i>		Claudio Monteverdi
The Kings: <i>The Three Kings</i>	Ken Denmark, soloist	Peter Cornelius
The Blessing: <i>While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night</i>		Craig Courtney



## *Cantemus Women's Choir*

### **Soprano**

Kristen Arceo  
Natalie Ford  
Rae Goines  
Camille Grizzle  
Deborah Harpster\*  
Kim Hill\*  
Bonnie Hilliard

Kaylee Hubbard  
Lilly Kramer  
Angela Miller  
Jill Oberfeitingher  
Delanna Reed\*  
Patricia Taylor

### **Alto**

Eileen Butler  
Anne Davis  
Rose Marie Dunn  
Laurel Flaccavento\*  
Shellie Ford  
Beth Geno\*

Kim Hudson\*  
Myrth Mills\*  
Cindy Shannon  
Julie Vogel\*  
Margery Wilson\*  
Maggie Zeller\*

\*Readers

## *Translations*

### **Angelus ad Virginem**

When the angel came secretly to the Virgin in her room,  
soothing the maiden's fear, he said: "Hail! Hail, Queen of virgins.  
While yet untouched by man you shall conceive and bear the Lord of heaven and earth,  
salvation for mankind. You have become the gate of heaven, a remedy for sins."

"How can I conceive, since I have not known a man?

How can I break the vow I made with firm intent?"

"The grace of the Holy Spirit shall bring all this to pass.

Fear not, but rejoice, secure in the knowledge that pure chastity shall remain yours  
through God's mighty power."

### **Hodie Christus Natus Est**

Today Christ is born, today the Savior has appeared; today on earth the Angels sing, the  
Archangels rejoice. Today the righteous rejoice, saying: Glory to God in the highest and peace  
on earth, good will toward men. Alleluia!

### **Angelus ad Pastores ait**

The angel said to the shepherds: "I announce to you a great joy, that today is born for you  
a savior of the world."



*Cantemus* (Latin for "Let us sing") was founded in summer 2014 and is open to experienced female  
singers of all ages. We have auditions in August, and also in January if there are openings. We are  
dedicated to exploring the beauty and versatility of music written and arranged for women's voices.  
Our goal is to provide talented women of all ages in our area with exceptional musical and  
interpersonal experiences.

### *Cantemus Women's Choir thanks:*

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### *Upcoming Cantemus Events*

Tuesday, January 30, 2018 - *Auditions*, St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 17, 2018 - *Women in Song Festival*, Milligan College, Time TBA

Sunday, May 6, 2018 - *Wayfaring Stranger*, Waverly Road Presbyterian, 7:00 p.m.

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