



6. Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Hark the herald angels sing
 "Glory to the newborn King!
 Peace on earth and mercy mild
 God and sinners reconciled"
 Joyful, all ye 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 newborn King!"



Christ by highest heav'n 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
 Pleas'd as man with man to dwell
 Jesus, our Emmanuel
 Hark! The herald angels sing
 "Glory to the newborn King!"



Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
 Hail the Son of Righteousness!
 Light and life to all He brings
 Ris'n with healing in His wings
 Mild He lays His glory by
 Born that man no more may die
 Born to raise the sons of earth
 Born to give them second birth
 Hark! The herald angels sing
 "Glory to the newborn King!"



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Singers

Christmas Concert 2016

Conductor
Cole Bendall

Special Guests
The Newtongrange Junior Silver Band

Saturday, December 3rd, 2016
7.30pm
St. Nicholas Buccleuch Church, Dalkeith.

Welcome !



The Dalkeith Singers would like to welcome you to their Christmas Concert 2016. We are delighted to have the Newtongrange Junior Band joining us again this year and we hope you enjoy them as much as we do. We are premiering one piece this evening and we are also proud to perform another piece this evening which was premiered in London last year.

This is our last concert with our present conductor Cole Bendall and we would like to wish him good luck in his future endeavours and thank him for his patience and perseverance with us over the last 2 years.

On behalf of the choir I wish you all a Merry Christmas and thank you for supporting us at our events and also supporting the charity we are sponsoring this time, Pathhead Youth Project.

*Irene Fox
Chair, Dalkeith Singers*

To-night's performance.

Welcome to another Dalkeith Singers Christmas Concert. While the weather might be colder and the nights darker, we hope our programme tonight will warm your hearts!

We're thrilled to be joined once more by the Newtongrange Junior Band and look forward to their contribution to tonight's entertainment. Likewise, we welcome Joanna Gill and Matt Giannotti, composers of the new pieces we are performing to-



No more will sin and sorrow grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He'll come and make the blessings flow,
Far as the curse was found,
Far as the curse was found,
Far as, far as the curse was found.



Rejoice! Rejoice in the Most High,
While Israel spreads abroad
Like stars that glitter in the sky,
And ever worship God,
And ever worship God,
And ever, and ever worship God,

5. Of the Father's Heart Begotten

(verses 1 - 5 choir only)

- 6 Sing ye heights of heav'n, his praises;
Angels and Archangels sing!
Wheresoe'er ye be , ye faithful,
Let your joyous anthems ring,
Ev'ry tongue his name confessing,
Countless voices answering,
Evermore and evermore.



The Dalkeith Singers Spring Concert.

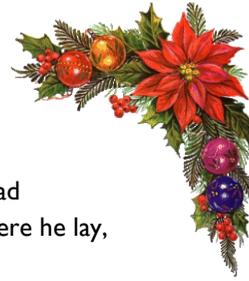
Watch for details of our first concert with our new Musical Director, **Jessica Leary** in the Spring.

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3. Away in a Manger



Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus, laid down his sweet head
The stars in the bright sky, looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes,
The stars in the bright sky, looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay
Close by me for ever and love me I pray,
Bless all the dear children, in thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with the there..

4. Joy to the World

Joy to the world! The Lord is come.
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart Prepare Him room
And Saints and angels sing
And Saints and angels sing
And Saints and angels sing

Rejoice! Rejoice when Jesus reigns,
And Saints their songs employ
While fields and floods Rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy



night. Gill's *I Heard the Bells On Christmas Day* is a lively and gentle accompanied setting of the famous Longfellow hymn, while Giannotti's *Alleluia* sets Latin verses in a complex and dramatic harmonic medium with some free rhythm and experimental sections.

There's still the classics we love and adore including the stunning music of David Willcocks, John Tavener, Benjamin Britten and many more. Not to mention opportunities for you to join in with the music making with this brilliant group of musicians. As I prepare to move on to pastures new and pass the baton on to the choir's incoming Musical Director, Jessica Leary, I know that the choir is being left in good hands. I offer my sincerest personal thanks to the committee past and present, our loyal audience and the choir for their love, support and continued enthusiasm.

We hope you enjoy our concert!

Cole Bendall
Musical Director

Pathhead Youth Project Summer Programme

Pathhead Youth Project, has been running for over 10 years. It has a membership of over 40 kids, and runs twice weekly 'drop in sessions', in the village hall. As well as 'hanging out' in the hall, the kids can do Dynamic Youth Awards, Silver Youth Achievement awards.

Annual events run by the kids, with help from adults and local organisations, continue to grow in popularity in the community. These include an annual Talent Show, and a Burn's Supper for the local elderly. All these activities really help to grow skills and confidence. Fundraising is done by bag filling, carol singing round the village, and running a Spring Fair.

This years concert collection is for the **SUMMER PROGRAMME**. In 2016, 105 children and young people took part in the 12 activities offered over three weeks. The sense of achievement shone in the kids faces! It definitely promotes independence and creates confident individuals. **We thank you for being generous this evening, and helping the Pathhead Youth Project Summer Programme for 2017.**





The Dalkeith Singers

Conductor: Cole Bendall



Pianist: Donald Thomson



Sopranos



Kathleen Donald
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Basses



David Richardson
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 Robin Donald
 David Kington
 Jack Kirk
 Bob Lees
 Jim Linn
 Mick Nugent
 Andrew Watt

2. 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 tonight

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 gathered all above
 While mortals sleep, the angels keep
 Their watch of wondering love

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,
 The dear Christ enters in.

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





I. 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.

(Choir only) 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, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.



(All) And through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.



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;
Where like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.



Newtongrange Junior Band.

We warmly welcome again as our guest artists tonight the Newtongrange Junior Band. There has been a brass band in Newtongrange for over 100 years. To keep that tradition going the Youth Initiative commenced three years ago. The children in the band are aged between 9 and 12 and come from Midlothian, Edinburgh and the Borders. Most of the children get lessons at school however there are also some who get lessons from the adults who come along to help. The band is trying to encourage children to play and enjoy musical instruments together and keep the tradition of Newtongrange Brass Band going! They have taken part in the ceremony to switch on the Christmas lights in Newtongrange and have been playing in a number of local concerts during the year. Please give them a very warm welcome - we know you will be thrilled with their performance.



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... and another concert you may be interested in

Christmas with the Reid Consort

Conductor Cole Bendall

St. Mary's Church, Dalkeith Country Park,
Saturday December 17th, 8pm
details at www.reidconsort.org



Programme



First half

Choir

1. A Boy was Born *Benjamin Britten*
2. I heard the Bells on Christmas Day
(*Scottish Premiere*) *Joanna Gill*

Carol for all: *Once in Royal David's City*

Choir

3. Mother of God, Here I Stand *John Tavener*
4. The Holly and the Ivy *arr. Reginald Jaques*

Carol for all: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

5. The Infant King *arr. David Wilcocks*
6. Alleluia
(*World Premiere*) *Matt Giannotti*

The work of the **Pathhead Youth Project**

INTERVAL

during which refreshments are available and there will be an opportunity to donate to PYP

Second half

Newtongrange Junior Band

Carol for all: *Away in a Manger*

Choir

7. Es Ist Ein Ros Entsprungen *Michael Praetorius*
8. Gabriels Message *arr. David Wilcocks*

Carol for all: *Joy to the World*

Choir

10. Of the Father's Heart Begotten *arr. David Wilcocks*
11. Kings of Orient *arr. David Wilcocks*

Carol for all: *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

arr. Arthur Warrell



Christmas starts with Christ