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Christmas Music

in aid of The Lord Mayor's Hungarian Relief Fund.

St. MARY'S CHURCH PETWORTH

Saturday, 22nd December, 1956

DELIA WOOLFORD

Contralto

KENNETH LAWRENCE Organ

Conductor:
JOHN WILKINSON

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"O come, all ye faithful" Anon., 18th Century O come all ye faithful, Sing, Choir Angelic Joyful and triumphant, Sing ve Hallelujah Sing, ye that stand around the heavenly Come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem: Born, to redeem us, Behold the King of Angels; throne: "Glory to God All Glory in the Highest": O come, let us adore Him, Christ the O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. True God of true God, Light of Light Eternal, Hail, Lord Incarnate, Born for us this morning; Lq, he abhors not the Virgin's womb; Jesu, to Thee be praise and glory given: Son of the Father, Son of the Father, Begotten, not created; O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Now in flesh appearing, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. -F. Oakley. CAROLS "Gabriel's Message" Old Basque Carol, arr. Edgar Pettman CONTRALTO SOLOS Recit.: "Behold! A Virgin shall conceive" Aria: "Prepare thyself Zion" (Christmas Oratorio) Bach CAROLS "Christmas Song" Michael Prætorius "Past three a clock, and a cold frosty morning" arr. Charles Wood ORGAN SOLOS Pastoral Symphony (Messiah) Handel "From Heaven above, behold I come" Karg-Elert CAROLS "Coventry Carol" Tune 1591 "Up! Good Christen folk, and listen" arr. G. R. Woodward CAROL FOR CHOIR AND AUDIENCE 1 See amid the winter's snow, 3 "As we watched at dead of night, Born for us on earth below, Lo, we saw a wondrous light; See the tender Lamb appears, Angels singing peace on earth, Told us of a Saviour's birth." Promised from eternal years. Hail, thou ever blessed morn! 4 Teach, O teach us, Holy Child, Hail, Redemption's happy dawn! Sing thro' all Jerusalem, Christ is born in Bethlehem. By Thy face so meek and mild, Teach us to resemble Thee, In Thy sweet humility. 2 Lo, within a manger lies He Who built the starry skies; He, Who throned in height sublime, Sits amid the cherubim! -E. Casewell

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Wor" O come, O come, Emmanuel" Ancient French Carol O come, O come, Emmanuel! Redeem thy captive Israel, That into exile drear is gone Far from the face of God's dear son.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

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.

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

O come, thou Lord of David's Key! The royal door fling wide and free; Safeguard for us the heavenward road, And bar the way to death's abode.

O come, O come, Adonai Who in thy glorious majesty From that high mountain clothed with Gavest thy folk the elder law.

-18th Cent. Lacey.

CAROLS

"Infant King" from an old Basque Noel, arr. Edgar Pettman "Welcome Yule" C. Hubert H. Parry

CONTRALTO SOLOS

"As Joseph was a walking"	Thiman
"An Old Carol"	Quilter
"The First Mercy"	

ORGAN SOLOS

"Es ist ein' ros' entsprungen"	Brahms
"In Dulci Jubilo"	Bach

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"Once in Royal David's City" H. P. Gauntlett For He is our childhood's pattern,

Once in Royal David's city. Stood a lonely cattle shed, Where a mother laid her Baby In a manger for His bed. Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little Child.

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.

And through all His wondrous childhood He would honour and obey, Love and watch the lovely mother In whose gentle arms He lay. Christian children all must be Mild, obedient, good as He.

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. -Charles Francis Alexander

CAROLS

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"Hark! the herald Angels sing" Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)

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 the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Hark! the herald Angels sing
Glory to the new-born 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! Pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail, the heav'n-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 no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

—C. Wesley.

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