

# Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols

*Advent, gezegd en gezongen*

*Tweede zondag van Advent*

9 december 2018 ds. C.H. Wesdorp – liturg  
18.30 uur Projectkoor Oude Kerk  
Oude Kerk Ronald de Jong – dirigent  
Dorpsstraat 59, Zoetermeer Iddo van der Giessen – organist



*Kerkenraad, voorganger, koor en dirigent komen binnen*

1. **Carol** *choir and all:* Once in royal David's city H.J. Gauntlett (1805-1876)  
*Choir*

1. 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*  
2. 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*

3. 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.

*Choir*

4. 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.

*Choir*

5. 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.

*All*

6. 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.

## 2. **Welkom en mededelingen**

## 3. **Stil gebed**

*Iedereen gaat staan*

## 4. **Gods gelofte en groet**

Voorganger: In de Naam van de Vader en de Zoon en de Heilige Geest.

*Allen: Amen.*

Voorganger: Genade zij u en vrede.

*Allen: Amen.*

*Iedereen gaat zitten*

## 5. **Gebed**

6. **Lesson:** Micha 5:1-4a

7. **Carol** *choir and all:* O little town of Bethlehem

R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

*Choir*

1. 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.

*Choir*

3. How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of his heav'n.  
No ear may hear His coming;  
but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive Him, still  
the dear Christ enters in.

8. **Lesson:** Lucas 1:46b-55

9. **Carol** *all and choir:* O come, all ye faithful

J.F. Wade (1711-1786)

*All*

1. 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 (3x),  
Christ the Lord.*

*Choir*

5. Child, for us sinners,  
poor and in the manger,  
fain we embrace Thee,  
with awe and love;  
who would not love Thee,  
loving us so dearly?  
*O come, let us adore Him (3x),  
Christ the Lord*

*Choir*

2. 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.

*All*

4. O holy Child of Bethlehem  
descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin, and enter in,  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell:  
O come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel.

*Choir*

2. 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 (3x),  
Christ the Lord.*

*All*

6. Sing, choirs 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 (3x),  
Christ the Lord.*

*All*

7. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
born this happy morning,  
Jesu, to Thee be glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father,  
now in flesh appearing;  
*O come, let us adore Him (3x),  
Christ the Lord.*

10. **Lesson:** Johannes 1:1-4, 14, 18

11. **Carol** *choir:* A great and mighty wonder

M. Praetorius (1571-1621)

1. A great and mighty wonder,  
a full and holy cure!  
The virgin bears the Infant  
with virgin-honour pure.  
*Repeat the hymn again!  
'To God on high be glory,  
and peace on earth to men!'*

2. The Word becomes incarnate  
and yet remains on high!  
And cherubim sing anthems  
to shepherds from the sky.  
*Repeat the hymn again! etc.*

3. While thus they sing your Monarch,  
those bright angelic bands,  
rejoice, ye vales and mountains,  
ye oceans, clap your hands.  
*Repeat the hymn again! etc.*

4. Since all He comes to ransom,  
by all be He adored,  
the Infant born in Bethl'em  
the Saviour and the Lord.  
*Repeat the hymn again! etc.*

5. And idol forms shall perish,  
and error shall decay,  
and Christ shall wield His sceptre,  
our Lord and God for ay.  
*Repeat the hymn again! etc.*

12. **Lesson:** Lucas 2:6-8

13. **Carol** *choir and all:* God rest you merry, gentlemen

Traditional

*Choir*

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen,  
let nothing you dismay,  
for Jesus Christ our Saviour  
was born upon this day,  
to save us all from Satan's power  
when we were gone astray:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy (2x).*

*Choir*

2. From God our heav'nly Father  
a blessèd angel came,  
and unto certain shepherds  
brought tidings of the same,  
how that in Bethlehem was born  
the Son of God by name:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy (2x).*

All

3. The shepherds at those tidings  
rejoicèd much in mind,  
and left their flocks a-feeding  
in tempest, storm and wind,  
and went to Bethlehem straightway  
this blessèd Babe to find:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy (2x).*

All

5. Now to the Lord sing praises,  
all you within this place,  
and with true love and brotherhood  
each other now embrace;  
this holy tide of Christmas  
all others doth deface:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy (2x).*

14. **Lesson:** Lucas 2:9-14

15. **Carol choir:** Ding dong! merrily on high Ch. Wood (1866-1926)

1. Ding dong! merrily on high  
in heav'n the bells are ringing:  
Ding dong! verily the sky  
is riv'n with angel singing.  
*Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!*

3. Pray you, dutifully prime  
your matin chime, ye ringers;  
may you beautifully rime  
your evetime song, ye singers.  
*Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!*

16. **Lesson:** Filippenzen 2:6-11

17. **Carol choir:** I wonder as I wander Uit: Piae Cantiones (1582)

1. I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
how Jesus, the Saviour, did come for to  
die.  
For poor ornery people like you and like I:  
I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

Choir

4. But when to Bethlehem they came,  
whereat this Infant lay,  
they found Him in a manger,  
where oxen feed on hay;  
his mother Mary kneeling  
unto the Lord did pray:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy (2x).*

2. E'en so here below, below,  
let steeple bells be swungen,  
and 'io, io, io!  
by priest and people sungen.  
*Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!*

2. When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a  
cows' stall,  
with wisemen and farmers and shepherds  
and all.  
But high from God's heaven a star's light  
did fall,  
and the promise of ages it then did recall.

3. If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing:  
a star in the sky, or a bird on the wing;  
or all of God's angels in heav'n to sing,  
He surely could have it, 'cause He was the  
King!

18. **Lesson:** Lucas 2:15-20

19. **Carol choir:** This Christmas night

M. Williamson (1931)

How sweet and clear above the sounds of war  
the clamorous bells are pealing their delight!  
The angels sing of glory, as they soar  
among the manmade stars, this Christmas night.

And, once again, with spices and with gold,  
three Kings are riding through the sparkling snow  
to this poor lodging in the bitter cold  
where Mary kneels within the lantern glow

to watch her Baby lying in the hay,  
and think about the wonder of His birth;  
and as He sleeps, to fold her hands and pray  
for peace to come upon this troubled earth.

20. **Lesson:** Lucas 1:68-75 (Geloofsbelijdenis)

21. **Gebeden**

22. **Inzameling van de gaven** (*zie toelichting op de achterzijde*)

*Iedereen gaat staan*

23. **Carol** *choir and all: Hark! the herald-angels sing* F. Mendelssohn  
Bartoldy (1809-1947)

*Choir*

1. 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 th'angelic host proclaim:  
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'  
*Hark! the herald-angels sing:  
'Glory to the newborn King.'*

*Choir*

2. 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 th'incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
*Hark! the herald-angels sing:  
'Glory to the newborn King.'*

*All*

3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun 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.'*

24. **Zegen**

Voorganger: De vrede van God, die alle verstand te boven gaat,  
zal uw hart en uw gedachten behoeden in Christus Jezus.

*Allen:*



*Iedereen gaat zitten*

25. **Organ Postlude: Tuba Tune** N. Cocker (1889-1953)

*Kerkenraad, voorganger, koor en dirigent verlaten de kerk*

Toelichting inzameling van de gaven

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- Bestemming collecte tijdens de dienst, voorafgaand aan de slothymne: onkosten *Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols*.
- Collecte bij de uitgang: bestemd voor het wijkwerk in de Oude Kerk Gemeente.
- De bussen bij de uitgang zijn ten behoeve van de restauratie van de Oude Kerk.

Meezingen?

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Volgende bijzondere diensten

De komende periode zijn er de volgende bijzondere diensten op zondagavond om 18.30 uur:

- 3 februari 2019 Choral Evensong, m.m.v. Projectkoor Oude Kerk
- 10 maart 2019 Zangdienst
- 14 april 2019 Cantatedienst, m.m.v. Projectkoor Oude Kerk

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