

I Cantori

Robert L. Harris, conductor

Raymond R. Ellis, jr., accompanist

soprano

Peggy Breese

Leigh Byrd

Holly Carson

Mari Harris

Tonya Nichols

Catherine Rogers

Suzanne C. Wages

alto

Donna C. Berry

Neva Bottcher

Linda Estes

Carla McCurry

Denise Norman

Elizabeth van Beest

tenor

Tag Bridges

Randall Canady

Raymond R. Ellis, jr.

Ben Oliver

Tim Wheelles

Billy Wooten

bass

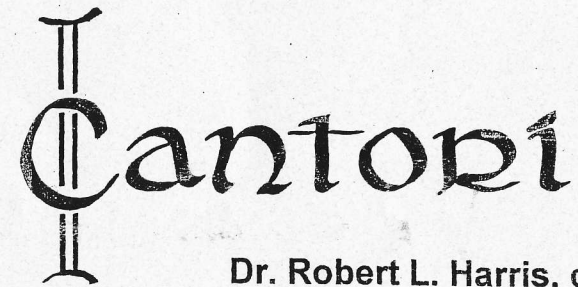
Vonte Abrams

Gene L. Jarvis

Gregory Martin

Fred White

James Worrell



Dr. Robert L. Harris, conductor

presents

Songs of Christmas

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
December 9 2002

**St. Francis of the Island
Episcopal Church**
December 13

program

the approach of the "Bridegroom" - the Saviour

Castitatis Thalamum

13th century

The Father gave the Son a special valley, a marriage-bed of chastity: a virgin's womb. Where in the world could such a place have been found, to have borne borne the Son, equal with the Father.

the sins of man are overcome through the queen of Heaven

Adam lay y-bounden

Howard Skempton

the nativity

Hodie Christus natus est

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Today Christ is born, today the Saviour has appeared; today the Angels sing, the Archangels rejoice; today the righteous rejoice, saying: Glory to God in the Highest.

A Virgin Most Pure

arr. Dale Grotenhuis

the manger

Lullay, Lord Jesus

George Thalben-Ball

the animals

The Oxen

The Lamb

Michael Berkeley

John Tavener

the approach of the Three Kings

Ab Oriente Venerunt Magi

Jacobus Gallus

From eastern lands three wise men journeyed to Bethlehem to adore him, Christ the Lord. And as they opened all their treasures, they presented him with gifts wondrous rare, worthy of a mighty ruler, yea, of the Son of Mary; bright gold, myrrh, and frankincense. Alleluia!

the celebration of the Christ child

Alleluya, A New Work is come on Hand

Peter Wishart

intermission

Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella

arr. Shaw-Parker

Coventry Carol

arr. Antony Baldwin

Away in a Manger

arr. Rutter

Mary Had a Baby

arr. Dawson

Billy Wooten, tenor

Christmas Dawn Is Breaking

arr. Butler

Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine

arr. Wilberg

The Twelve Days of Christmas

arr. Humphris

Jingle Bells

arr. Llewellyn