

LOGOS SCHOOL OF MUSIC PRESENTS

BIRTHDAY OF A KING

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT FEATURING

Logos Christian Academy's Elementary Choir

The Chicago Combined Choir and Logos Symphony Orchestra

With Festive Christmas Music by Romanian Composers from Chicago



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WELCOME! WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

This concert is being recorded live.

So that all may enjoy this evening to the fullest, please help keep the concert hall as quiet as possible. We kindly request that you please turn off all signal watches, cellular phones, and anything that would make noise or disrupt tonight's program. Also, don't forget to unwrap your Christmas candy before the concert begins.

Due to the length of tonight's program, small children may become tired or restless. In the best interest of your child and others, an usher will be glad to seat you on the aisle near an exit so that you may leave the sanctuary easily if your child needs attention. Please feel free to address the ushers with any questions. They will be glad to assist you promptly. Thank you for your cooperation.

Welcome to tonight's concert, ***Birthday of a King!*** We are truly grateful that you have chosen to join us as we begin this glorious Advent season. This evening, as we reflect on the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem more than 2,000 years ago, we celebrate not only the arrival of a Child, but the coming of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. He is the One who holds all creation together and offers life to every person.

The Bible tells us that, because all people struggle with sin and are unable to save themselves, God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to open the way to forgiveness, hope, and eternal life. In love, Christ gave Himself on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins, and on the third day He rose again victorious over death. He is the Living Savior, offering grace to all who believe in Him.

The Scriptures also promise that one day Jesus will return in power and glory to establish His everlasting Kingdom. All who welcome Him, trust His sacrifice, repent of their sins, and receive Him as Lord become children of God and heirs of eternal life. This is the good news that has echoed through centuries and remains the greatest message ever proclaimed on earth. Our prayer is that tonight's music and reflections will help you experience this hope personally and consider the gift of peace and salvation that Christ offers to every heart.

*For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have **eternal life**. – John 3:16*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is **eternal life** in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 6:23*

*Whoever believes in the Son has **eternal life**, but whoever rejects the Son will not see **life**, for God's wrath remains on them. John 3:36*

***For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of
Peace. – Isaiah 9:6***

May the wonder of Christ's birth fill your heart with peace, joy, and renewed faith.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!
Logos School of Music

BIRTHDAY OF A KING

Chicago Combined Choir ✦ Logos Christian Academy Elementary Choir ✦
✦ Logos Symphony Orchestra

Povestea Nașterii în Colinde Românești

Logos Symphony Orchestra

Music: Traditional Romanian Carols
Arr. Stelu Aioanei
Conductor: Stelu Aioanei

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Congregational Hymn

Lyrics: James Montgomery
Music: Henry T. Smart
Orchestration: Ed Dickinson
Solo: Andrada Vaduva
Conductor: Stelu Aioanei

Opening Prayer & Welcome

RBC Pastor Adrian Neiconi

Excerpts from *The Messiah*

Music: George Frideric Handel
Conductor: David Dragomir

Simphonia (Overture)

Logos Symphony Orchestra

Comfort Ye, My People

Tenor Solo: George Noel Rascol

ENG - Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry into her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. (Isaiah 40:1-3)

RO - Mângâiați, mângâiați pe poporul Meu, zice Dumnezeuul vostru. Vorbiți bine Ierusalimului și strigați-i că robia lui s-a sfârșit, că nelegiuirea lui este ispășită, căci a primit din mâna Domnului de două ori cât toate păcatele lui. Un glas strigă: „Pregătiți în pustie calea Domnului, neteziți în locurile uscate un drum pentru Dumnezeuul nostru!” (Isaia 40:1-3)

Thus Saith the Lord

Bass Solo: Christopher Comanescu

ENG - “Thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth... and the desire of all nations shall come...” (Haggai 2:6-7)

“Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me...”
(Malachi 3:1)

RO - Căci așa vorbește Domnul oștirilor: Încă puțină vreme și voi clătina încă o dată cerurile și pământul, marea și uscatul; voi clătina toate neamurile; comorile tuturor neamurilor vor veni și voi umple de slavă Casa aceasta, zice Domnul oștirilor. Hagai 2:6-7

Iată, voi trimite pe solul Meu; el va pregăti calea înaintea Mea. Și deodată va intra în Templul Său Domnul pe care-L căutați: Solul legământului, pe care-L doriți; iată că vine, zice Domnul oștirilor. Maleahi 3:1

But Who May Abide?

Mezzo Solo: Elisabeth Dragomir

ENG - But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire.... (Malachi 3:2)

RO - Cine va putea să sufere însă ziua venirii Lui? Cine va rămâne în picioare când Se va arăta El? Căci El va fi ca focul topitorului și ca leșia înălbitorului.. (Maleahi 3:2)

And He Shall Purify

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ENG - And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver... (Malachi 3:3)

RO - El va ședea, va topi și va curăți argintul; va curăți pe fiii lui Levi, îi va lămuri cum se lămurește aurul și argintul, și vor aduce Domnului daruri neprihănite. (Maleahi 3:3)

Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive

Mezzo Solo: Elisabeth Dragomir

ENG - Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)

RO - De aceea, Domnul Însuși vă va da un semn: Iată, fecioara va rămâne însărcinată, va naște un fiu și-l va pune numele Emanuel (*Dumnezeu este cu noi*). (Isaia 7:14)

And Suddenly There Was with the Angel

Mezzo Solo: Elisabeth Dragomir

ENG - And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying. (Luke 2:13)

RO - Și deodată, împreună cu îngerul s-a unit o mulțime de oaste cerească, laudând pe Dumnezeu și zicând: (Luca 2:13)

Glory to God

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ENG - Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. (Luke 2:14)

RO - Slavă lui Dumnezeu în locurile preaînalte și pace pe pământ între oamenii plăcuți Lui. (Luca 2:14)

Hallelujah Chorus

*In keeping with longstanding tradition, audience members are requested to **rise** for the "Hallelujah" Chorus, as they are able.*

ENG - Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. (Revelation 19:6)

RO - „Aleluia! Domnul, Dumnezeul nostru Cel Atotputernic, a început să împărățească.” (Apocalipsa 19:6)

ENG - The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. (Revelation 11:15)

RO - „Împărăția lumii a trecut în mâinile Domnului nostru și ale Hristosului Său. Și El va împărăți în vecii vecilor.” (Apocalipsa 11:15)

ENG - ...King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords. (Revelation 19:16)

RO - ... „Împăratul împăraților și Domnul domnilor.” (Apocalipsa 19:16)

Logos School of Music 20th Anniversary

Daniel Stef

Love Offering Presentation

LCA Principal, Larry Murg

O ce veste minunată

Congregational Hymn

Traditional Romanian carol

Dumitru G. Kiriac

Orchestration: Liută Marc Filip

Welcoming the Carols

Marius Scurtu

O ce veste plină de bucurii

LSO Strings

F.E. Belden

Arr. Stelu Aioanei

Conductor: Mihaela Aioanei

Aleluia, A venit iubirea-n lume

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Lyrics and Music: Cosmin Cprariu

Orchestration: Liută Marc Filip

Duet: Sarah Hodoroba & Daniel Căprariu

Conductor: Stelu Aioanei

A venit iubirea-n lume,
Să ne-arate-al vieții sens.
Prin a Tatălui minune
S-a născut El cel Etern!
S-a născut El cel etern!

A venit iubirea-n lume
Și purta-se-un nume Sfânt,
Nume de mult profețit
Pentru lume pregătit,
Pentru lume pregătit!

Aleluia, Aleluia, S-a născut Mântuitor!
A venit iubirea-n lume,
El Mesia Salvator,
El Mesia Salvator!

A venit iubire-n lume,
Calea pentru-a ne-arăta,
Cu Părintele iubirii
Prin credința-nempăca,
Prin credința-nempăca!

Aleluia, Aleluia, S-a născut Mântuitor!
A venit iubirea-n lume,
El Mesia Salvator,
El Mesia Salvator!

Aleluia, Aleluia, S-a născut Mesia!
S-a născut Isus Hristos!
Aleluia, Aleluia, S-a născut Mesia!
S-a născut Isus Hristos! S-a născut Isus Hristos! S-a născut Isus Hristos!

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12

Marius Scurtu

E noapte-n sat la noi

Chicago Combined Choir

Lyrics & Music: Andrei Fedur
Conductor: Stelu Aioanei

E noapte-n sat la noi
și toți au adormit
Doar la o poartă doi
Cereau de găzduit.

Si merșeră prin sat
Să ceară ajutor
Dar nimeni nu le-a dat
Un loc în casa lor.

Veniră și la noi
și-am spus nu este loc
Doar ieslea cea cu boi
În care nu e foc.

Și iată-n grajdul meu
Pe paie stă culcat
Un Fiu de Dumnezeu
Un Rege minunat.

De-atunci prin satul meu
El trece tot mereu
Deschide-i nu mai sta
El vrea inima ta!

Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child

arr. Lloyd Larson
Piano: Edwin Olariu
Double Bass: Sebastian Sanchez
Conductor: Diana Monacelli

LCA Elementary Choir

Jesus, Jesus
Oh, what a wonderful child
Jesus, Jesus
So lowly meek and mild
New life, new hope, new joy he brings!
Listen to the angels sing?
Glory, glory, glory
To the newborn King

Jesus, my Jesus
Oh, what a wonderful child
Jesus, Jesus
So lowly meek and mild
New life, new hope, new joy he brings
Won't you listen to the angels sing?
Glory, glory, glory
To the newborn King!

He was herald by the angels
Born in a lowly manger
The Virgin Mary was his mother
And Joseph was his earthly father
Three wise men came from afar
They were guided by a shining star
To see king Jesus where he lay
In a manger filled with hay

Jesus, my Jesus
Oh my Lord what a wonderful child
I'm talkin' about Jesus my Jesus
So lowly meek and mild
New life, new hope, new joy he brings
Won't you listen to the angels sing?
Glory, glory, glory
To the newborn King!

O, Copilaș plăpând din paie

Lyrics: Valentin Popovici
Music: Sorin Titean
Arr. and Orchestration: Teodor Caciora
Conductor: Stelu Aioanei

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O copilaș plăpând din paie,
Îți dormi acum al păcii somn
În cele mai umile straie
Isuse Prea-slăvite Domn!

Ca să ajungi pe-a noastră cale
Te-ai pogorât în noapte jos
În corul pribegiei tale
Isus, Luceafăr luminos!

*Te-ai pogorât pe-a noastră glie
Tu Fiu al Tatălui slăvit
Ca cel mai mic, în sărăcie
La noi Isuse, Bun venit!*

Și Ți-ai plecat divina-Ți frunte
Nu-n fulgere să ne-ngrozim,
Nici în cutremure de munte
Isuse, Dumnezeu sublim!

Ci Te-ai lăsat legat în fașe
De-o mamă ce Te-a legănat
Și-ai plâns cu buzele gingașe
Isuse, Mare Împărat!

March Medley: Sounds of Christmas

Arr. Kevin Norbury
Conductor: Eugen Goman

LSO Wind Ensemble & Percussion

Azi printre noi

Lyrics & Music: Florin Modog
Arr. & Orchestration: Tabitha Netza
Solo: Justin Deac
Conductor: Stelu Aioanei

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*Azi printre noi plin de splendori
Pacea de sus, ne-ai adus Isus.
Lumina Ta, în bezna grea,
Tu ești Emanuel, Fiul Lui Dumnezeu.*

Mâna ce-a creat natura
Universul și făptura
Tremurând în ieslea rece ți-ai întins
Glasul Tău din veșnicie
Ce-a rostit cândva să fie
Ca un scâncet printre noi s-a auzit
Toată slava a atins pământul jos
Când în ieslea rece te-ai născut Hristos

*Azi printre noi plin de splendori
Pacea de sus, ne-ai adus Isus.
Lumina Ta, în bezna grea,
Tu ești Emanuel, Fiul Lui Dumnezeu.*

În genunchi la ieslea Ta
Tot pământul va cânta
Dar divin venit de sus
Rege Sfânt Isus
În genunchi la ieslea Ta
Tot pământul va cânta
Dar divin venit de sus
Rege Sfânt Isus

*Azi printre noi plini de splendori
Pacea de sus ne-ai adus Isus
Lumina Ta, în bezna grea
Tu ești Emanuel, Fiul Lui Dumnezeu!*

Message

Marius Scurtu

Birthday of a King

Lyrics & Music: William Harold Neidlinger
Choral Arr. Carol Cymbala
Orch. Lari Goss
Solo: Draghina Haures
Conductor: Mihaela Aioanei

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In the little village of Bethlehem,
There lay a Child one day
And the sky was bright with a holy light
O'er the place where Jesus lay.

*Aleluia! O how the angels sang
Aleluia! How it rang!*

*And the sky was bright
With a holy light,
'Twas the birthday of a King*

*'Twas a humble birthplace, but oh,
How much God gave to us that day
From the manger bed, what a path was led;
What a perfect holy way.*

*Aleluia! O how the angels sang
Aleluia! How it rang!
And the sky was bright with a holy light,
'Twas the birthday of a King.*

*Aleluia! O how the angels sang
Aleluia! How it rang!
And the sky was bright with a holy light,
'Twas the birthday of a King.*

Closing Thoughts & Prayer

Pastor Daniel Chiu

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Congregational Hymn

Text: Charles Wesley
Music: Felix Mendelssohn
arr: William H. Cummings
orch: Keith Christopher

SPECIAL THANKS

We would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to the **Romanian Baptist Church of Metropolitan Chicago** and their Pastor Adrian Neiconi for graciously allowing us to host tonight's Christmas concert in their sanctuary. Their generosity and warm hospitality have made this event possible, and we are truly thankful for their support. The kindness and openness they've extended to us created a welcoming experience for all involved. It's an honor to celebrate this special season in such a beautiful and inviting space, and we deeply appreciate their willingness to share it with us.



Our heartfelt appreciation goes to **Emily Strand of Designs by EM** for her creativity, dedication, and hard work in crafting the graphics for this year's concert. Your thoughtful design and artistic touch helped bring our vision to life in a beautiful way, and we are truly grateful for your partnership. May God bless you abundantly for the gifts you so generously share with our school.

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Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Bethlehem, out of you will come a Ruler who will be the Shepherd of My people. Matthew 2:6

B \flat B \flat /D B \flat B \flat /F F/E \flat B \flat /D E \flat B \flat /D Gm F/A F7 B \flat

1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
 2. Shep - herds, in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
 3. Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;
 4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in hope and fear,
 5. Tho' an in - fant now we view Him, He will share His Fa - ther's throne;

B \flat B \flat /F B \flat /D B \flat F7/C Gm/D D Gm D Gm/B \flat G \flat 2 Gm F/C C7 F

Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
 God with man is now re - sid - ing; Yon - der shines the In - fant Light:
 Seek the great De - sire of na - tions; Ye have seen His na - tal star:
 Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing In His tem - ple shall ap - pear:
 Gath - er all the na - tions to Him; Ev - ery knee shall then bow down:

Refrain F B \flat B \flat 9 E \flat C \flat B \flat /D C \flat /E \flat F7 Gm E \flat /G F sus F F7 B \flat

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship; Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

TEXT: ⁹ James Montgomery
 MUSIC: Henry T. Smart

REGENT SQUARE
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**Optional extended ending*

F B \flat B \flat 9 E \flat

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship;

13 C \flat B \flat /D E \flat 6 E \flat B \flat /F F7 B \flat 14 15 16 A \flat /B \flat B \flat A \flat /B \flat B \flat sus B \flat
 rit. more rit. and decresc.

Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King. *Optional transition to "Worthy, You Are Worthy"*

17 18 19 20 21 22 23

**Choir or ensemble may sing the extended ending, if desired.*

O, ce veste minunată

Dar îngerul le-a zis: „Nu vă temeți: căci vă aduc o veste bună,
care va fi o mare bucurie pentru tot norodul... Luc. 2:10

MUZICA: Colind popular;
arr.: Dumitru G. Kiriac

$\text{♩} = 76$

1. O, ce ves - te mi - nu - na - tă în Be - tle - em ni se - a - ra - tă,
2. Că la Be - tle - em Ma - ri - a, să - vâr - șind că - lă - to - ri - a,
3. Pe Fi - ul cel din ve - ci - e ce L - a tri - mis Ta - tăl mi - e
4. E I - sus, Păs - to - rul ma - re, tur - mă ca El ni - meni n - a - re,

B.div.

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1. Că a năs - cut Prunc, Prunc din Du - hul Sfânt, Fe - cioa - ra Ma - ri - a. - a.
În să - rac să - laș, lân - gă - a - cel o - raș, Naș - te pe Me - si - a. - a.
Să Șe nas - că și să creas - că, Să ne mân - tu - ias - că. - că.
Noi Îl lă - u - dăm și ne în - chi - năm Cu cre - din - ță ta - re. - re.

Metru neregulat

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace. Luke 2:14

F C E F E C E Am Bb2 Bb6⁹ Gm E C F

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!
 3. Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Right - teous - ness!

Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
 Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb:
 Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.

N.C. E C7 F E C N.C. E C7 F E C

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty,
 Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that men no more may die,

9 Bb 10 Bbm9 Gm D Gm 11 C E A 12 F E C C F

With th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 Pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.
 Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.

13 Refrain Bb 14 Bbm9 Gm D Gm Gm C C E Bb F A F 16 E C C7 F

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

17 18 19 20

Optional segue to "Angels We Have Heard on High." No transition is needed.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, altered
 MUSIC: Felix Mendelssohn; arranged by William H. Cummings

MENDELSSOHN
 7.7.7.D. with Refrain

LOGOS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Violin I

Emanuel Ban**
Bogdan Buzdugan
Chenya Chelbezan
Alex Chica
Angela Rojas
Elise Stanculescu
Melissa Trif
Kate Wersell

Violin II

Marija Bubanj *
Lois Caprariu
Marina Chirtoaca
Roslyn Co
Dorelian Comanescu
Derek Efimetz
Avery Eliescu
Elena JMurco
Jesin Markham
Benjamin Mora

Viola

Catalin Lari*
Simona Crisan
Rachel Davidsmeier
Venus Fu
Ana Lazanyi
Oliver Munoz
Abigail Sandoval

Cello

Hyojin Kim*
Alicia Takushi Andes
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Nehemia Burca
Mihaela Gavril
Patrycja Likos

Double Bass

Sebastian Sanchez*
Nicholas Sfirnaciuc
Vladimir Vdovicenco

Flute

Laura Stef*
Anca Boros

Piccolo

Eliza Apavaloaiei

Oboe

Grecia de Leon*
Courtney LaFrance

Clarinet

Justin David*
Christopher Comanescu
Lucian Han

Bassoon

Mark Lindeblad*
Phoebe Peterson

French Horn

Melody Velleuer*
Lucas Lozneau
Michael Lozneau
Yana Votintseva

Trumpet

Eugen Goman*
Daniel Hodoroaba
David Murray
Andy Sinitean

Trombone

Catalin Antemie*
David Pausan

Bass Trombone

Ryan Saladin

Tuba

Samuel Russl

Percussion

Calin Lup*
Daniel Caprariu
David Dragomir
Tristan Olariu
Jessie Strugariu
Isaiah Vazquez

Timpani

Joshua Groza

Organ

Edwin Olariu

Harp

Michaela Walker*

Piano

Stelu Aioanei
Eugen Fodorean
Daniel Hodoroaba
Edwin Olariu

** Concertmaster

*Principal

LOGOS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ELEMENTARY CHOIR

4th Grade

Caleb Aioanei
Liam Astalus
Elissa Barar
Olivia Bodocean
Grace Burlacu
Emma Chiu
Trey David
Asher Dirnescu
Luke Hadean
Josiah Ilc
Maxim Larionesi
Evelyn Lobont
Jonathan Magdut
Briseis Onita
Sebastian Oros
Sabina Plesca
Luca Prodan
Eli Stoby

5th Grade

James Baban
Filip Baczek
Maya Badragan
Abigail Balint
Ashour Biram
Ava Bradu
Andrei Bumb
Eden Chiu
Nicholas Ciocan
David Crisan
James Dobrin
Sebastian Guzik
Rebecca Han
Jasmine Haures
Bendeguz Kovacs
Abiel Negoii
Ethan Opris
Natalie Pintilii
Elin Stoia
Nathan Szewczyk
Lucas Talpos
Sophia Tcaciuc
Eve Tibu

6th Grade

Alexa Biram
Daniella Bodocean
David Franczak
Bianka Gomulka
Anisa Hadean
Nathalie Juravlea
Shayla Laza
Eric Miranda
Joy Nattawuttisit
Alex Odisho
Evelyn Stan
Natalie Szuminski
Nathan Tenus

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Mrs. Lucia Bayan, 5th Grade
Mrs. Ligia Comanescu, 6th Grade

Choir Instructors:

Diana Monacelli
Carmen Eliescu

CHICAGO COMBINED CHOIR

Soprano

Mihaela Aioanei
Eliza Apavaloaiei
Gianna Baban*
Natalia Biram*
Alexandra Caprariu
Lidia Carstean
Ava Chiu*
Elisabeth Dragomir
Eliza Dutu
Sarah Hodoroabă
Bora Hwang
Sarah Laza*
Chantel Onita*
Abigail Paun
Johanna Paun
Ana Rascol*
Andreea Rașinar*
Miriam Rusu*
Alexis Scurtu
Saraiah Shamoun*
Myra Simoniak-Sas*
Maria Soltuzu
Eunice Stef
Jessie Strugariu
Sarah Tenus*
Victoria Tenus*
Geta Titean
Tabita Tudor
Gilda Ursan
Yasmin Zaki*

Alto

Emalie Abrudeanu*
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Lisa Cîra*
Kaitlyn Dobrin*
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Abigail Gabor
Rachel Gavril*
Ella Gyarmati*
Draghina Haureș
Ana Ilciuc
Alesya Iuga*
Miriam Măgduț*
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PROGRAM NOTES

Povestea Nașterii în Colinde Românești

Povestea Nașterii în Colinde Românești is a festive orchestral medley that celebrates the rich tradition of Romanian Christmas carols, telling the story of the Nativity from prophecy to caroling. The medley opens with the joyful announcement of Christ's birth in *O, ce veste minunată*, proclaiming:

*Astăzi s-a născut
Cel fără' de-nceput
Cum au zis proorocii*

Dawn approaches in *Ziurel de Ziuă*, as villagers make their way toward church, singing of the Messiah's birth:

*Unde s-a născut Hristos,
Ziurel de ziua,
Mesia, chip luminos...*

At church, the sermon recounts the miraculous birth, while *La Betleem colo'n jos* and *Astăzi s-a născut Hristos* bring Bethlehem and the nativity vividly to life. The first sighting of the star is captured in *Steaua sus răsare*, heralding the Messiah.

The angels proclaim the birth of Christ in *Cerul și Pământul*, and the shepherds' story unfolds in *Trei păstori se întâlnește*. The long journey of the Magi, their trials, encounter with Herod, and eventual worship of the newborn King, is depicted in *Trei crai de la răsărit*.

As the church service concludes, the people take to the streets in joyful caroling with *Domn, Domn să-nălțăm*. Finally, the medley closes with *Pe la geamul înghețat* (Traian Dorz), evoking the moment when carols pass by a home window, reminding us that Christ should never pass by our lives unnoticed, even in the quiet of a winter night.

This orchestral arrangement blends traditional melodies with rich harmonizations and rhythmic vitality, transforming familiar carols into a concert experience that honors both the spiritual and folk heritage of Romanian Christmas music.



COMPOSERS BIOGRAPHIES

Teodor Caciora born in Arad, Romania is a prolific Romanian composer, arranger, organist, pianist, choral and symphonic conductor, and music educator. He studied music from a young age, beginning with cello and double bass in Arad, and continued his formal education at the George Enescu University of Arts in Iași, where he completed degrees in music pedagogy and composition. Over the course of his long and versatile career, Caciora has created a vast body of work: more than 100 original choral compositions, over 100 choral arrangements, chamber music, piano miniatures and inventions, vocal works, and symphonic pieces. Many of these works have been published, some under his own imprint, Pro music TC, and are used widely in choral repertoires across Romania and beyond. As the founder and longtime conductor of the choir Pro Deum (Arad), Caciora has led performances and tours both in Romania and internationally, including concerts in Europe and the United States. In addition to his creative work, he has served as an educator at various levels, teaching harmony, counterpoint, composition, and performance, passing on his deep musical knowledge to new generations. Teodor Caciora remains an important figure in contemporary Romanian sacred and classical music: a composer whose work bridges traditional, liturgical, and modern classical idioms; a musician committed to both creative excellence and musical pedagogy; and a conductor and organist deeply invested in choral life and communal music-making.

Cosmin Căprariu was born in the city of Lugoj, Romania, a place known for its rich spiritual, religious, and musical traditions. He began his musical studies at the “Filaret Barbu” School of Music in Lugoj, where he studied piano under Mrs. Toth. His education continued in Timișoara under Professors Lucia Oschanitzky and Doina Catana, the latter having a profound impact on his artistic journey by introducing him to choir conducting and encouraging his gift for musical composition. Today, by the grace of God, Cosmin serves at Logos Baptist Ministries as an ordained minister and elder, coordinating the Sunday School program and working alongside a team of music directors for the mixed and men’s choirs. He also leads congregational singing and serves as a pianist and organist. To the younger generation, his heartfelt message is to listen to their parents, be humble, love the Lord, study His Word, work hard, and love those around them — trusting in God’s faithfulness. He expresses sincere gratitude to his wife, Gabi, and their children for their continuous love, support, and understanding in their shared commitment to ministry and service.

Andrei Fedur was born in Arad, Romania. He studied music at the Sabin Drăgoi Arts High School in Arad, graduating in 2001. He then continued his musical education at the Gheorghe Dima National Academy of Music in Cluj-Napoca, where he studied composition and conducting, completing his degree in 2006. Since 2007, Andrei has served as Music Director at Bethany Romanian Pentecostal Church in Niles, Illinois, overseeing the church’s music ministry. Under his direction, the worship program includes choir and congregational singing, and he contributes original compositions; among his works is the

choral piece "On the Sea of Life." Through his leadership and creative work, Andrei continues to build a bridge between his Romanian musical education and ministry in the diaspora, shaping worship and community through music and faith.

Marc Filip Liuț is a Romanian composer, arranger and classically trained baritone currently studying at the Academia Națională de Muzică „Gheorghe Dima” in Cluj-Napoca, where he is enrolled in both Composition and Classical Singing (Canto). He began his practical compositional work in the musical life of his local church, writing and arranging for a small orchestral ensemble and choir. Rooted in faith and community music-making, his early works and arrangements reflect both liturgical repertoire and popular carol traditions; over time he has expanded into orchestration and arrangements for brass band, choir and organ. As a vocalist, Marc has pursued classical singing since childhood and appears on academy and ensemble rosters as a baritone soloist, participating in student concerts and philharmonic/academy events. He also maintains an active presence as a musical content creator online, publishing arrangements, orchestrations and performances on platforms including YouTube and Instagram. Marc's published and shared works include orchestral and choral arrangements of traditional carols and sacred pieces (for example arrangements and orchestrations of Romanian carols and organ/choral pieces), plus instrumental and percussion arrangements made available through score-sharing sites. Some of his published arrangements are available on sheet-music marketplaces and score repositories, showing his dual interest in practical ensemble writing and notation for performers. Driven by his faith and formative church experiences, Marc blends liturgical sensitivity with formal training in composition and vocal performance; his trajectory shows a composer/performer building a portfolio of arrangements and original work while completing higher musical studies in Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

Florin Modog was born in Oradea, Romania. His musical journey began at the age of nine, singing alongside his mother in a small baptist church in his hometown. His first instrument was a pedal harmonium, and remarkably, he learned his very first notes and chords from the church janitor. Over the years, Florin developed his musicianship by learning guitar, accordion, and saxophone, performing with local church ensembles and later playing bass guitar in various groups, including the well-known Maranata Oradea Group. A gifted composer, he has written over 100 songs, many of which have been sung in worship and ministry contexts across Romanian churches. After completing his studies in recording and music production, he began serving at Bethany Romanian Pentecostal Church, where he currently ministers as Music Producer and Broadcast Director, using both his creativity and technical expertise to strengthen the worship life of the church.

Tabitha Netza is a Michigan-born musician whose life has been shaped by a lifelong passion for music and worship. Under the guidance of her mother, Vica Netza, she immersed herself in music from a young age: singing in choirs, participating in school and church bands, and performing in solo competitions. At age 23, Tabitha decided to deepen her commitment to music by studying at Tennessee Wesleyan University (TWU), where -

under the mentorship of Dr. Marius Băhnean and Dr. Ben Dockery - she graduated in 2023 with a double emphasis in music. Today, Tabitha resides in the Metro Detroit area, where she teaches piano, writes music, and serves as a conductor at Golgotha Romanian Baptist Church. In that role she helps lead worship and contributes her skills as arranger and pianist, bridging her formal training and her lifelong musical heritage into service for the church. Her journey, from early church choirs and school ensembles to formal music education and ministry leadership, speaks to a deep dedication to both craft and faith. Through teaching, composition, and worship leadership, Tabitha aims to nurture new generations in music and spiritual growth, honoring her roots and heritage.

Sorin Titean was born in Arad, Romania. A self-taught musician and trumpeter, he has served for years in the brass band at the Romanian Baptist Church of Metropolitan Chicago, offering leadership and a heartfelt, improvisational style that has shaped the church's musical life. Sorin also writes and arranges music, often in collaboration with pastor and poet Valentin Popovici. Several of their songs are included in Romanian Christian music indexes and choral collections, including tonight's rendition of "O, Copilaș, plăpând din paie." Those who know Sorin describe his playing and writing as natural, expressive, and full of warmth. He is appreciated for his ability to improvise with sensitivity, bringing a bright brass color and a vivid touch to congregational worship and recordings. His music continues to find a place in church settings and community choirs, bridging familiar Romanian traditions with the worship life of Romanian believers living abroad.

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In The Light Photos

As you entered the sanctuary this evening, you may have stopped to take a photo by our step-and-repeat banner. We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Damaris Antemie** for her time, creativity, and talent in capturing our guests' beautiful smiles. If you are interested in scheduling photo sessions, you can find Damaris on Instagram at [@in.the.light_photos](https://www.instagram.com/in.the.light_photos).



On behalf of Logos School of Music and Logos Christian Academy's students, faculty, and staff, we wish you a holiday season filled with the joy, peace, and

*hope that only **JESUS** can bring.*

Merry Christmas!

to you and your family from all of us at Logos!

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