

Sunday Worship Music

January 5 2025

Introit

Jubilate Deo (Raise a song of Gladness)

Jacques Berthier, 1972

*Jubilate Deo omnis terra.
(Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.)
Servite Domino in laetitia.
(Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to every heart.)
Alleluia, alleluia, in laetitia!
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!*

Hymn 150

As with Gladness Men of Old

text by W.C. Dix, 1858
music by Conrad Kocher, 1838

*As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright
so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.*

*As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before thee, whom heaven and earth adore,
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.*

*As they offered gifts most rare at thy manger, rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.*

*Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way;
and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.*

Anthem

Who Would Think That What Was Needed

John Bell

*O beautiful Star of Bethlehem, shining afar through shadows dim,
giving a light for those who long have gone.
And guiding the wise men on their way unto the place where Jesus lay,
beautiful Star of Bethlehem shine on!*

*(Refrain) O beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine upon us until the glory dawn.
O give us thy light to light the way into the land of perfect day,
beautiful Star of Bethlehem shine on!*

*O beautiful Star, the hope of light, guiding the pilgrim through the night,
over the mountain till the break of dawn.
And into the light of perfect day it will give out a lovely ray,
beautiful Star of Bethlehem shine on! (Refrain)*

*O beautiful Star, the hope of rest, for the redeemed, the good and blest,
yonder in glory when the crown is worn.
For Jesus is now that Star divine, brighter and brighter he will shine.
beautiful Star of Bethlehem shine on! (Refrain)*

*The first Nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*This star drew nigh to the northwest; o'er Bethlehem it took it's rest,
and there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*Then entered in those wise men three, fell reverently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*