The Song of Luke

An Oratorio based on the Infancy Narrative of Jesus according to the Gospel of Luke

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What I have always loved about the Gospel of Luke is that everyone in the story seems to burst into song. There is a tradition that Luke may have been an artist, perhaps even the first iconographer, since he paints such stunning tableaus with his words; but most assuredly he was a poet and a singer. That was my first inspiration to write *The Song of Luke*. In the Infancy Narrative alone—the story of the annunciation and birth of both John the Baptist and Jesus, up until Jesus' being presented in the Temple and the family's return to Nazareth from Bethlehem—are contained the four great Gospel canticles of the Christian liturgical tradition: the canticle of Zechariah (known as the *Benedictus*) which is the church's morning song; the canticle of Mary (the *Magnificat*) of evensong; the Glory to God (*Gloria in excelsis Deo*) sung by the angels, a traditional Christmas text also used in many traditions at Eucharist; and the canticle of Simeon (*Nunc Dimittis*) which has for centuries accompanied night prayer.

My second inspiration came from working closely with the French composer Lucien Deiss on his recitative settings of the four accounts of the Passion of Christ for soloists and choir, liturgical settings to be sung on Palm Sunday or Good Friday. But instead of another setting of the Passion, my idea was to write a cantilation of the Gospels for the Christmas cycle, with optional parts for soloists and choir, and to tie them together with the great canticles, two of which I had already written in first form, so that they could also be performed together as a program of sorts. And since I had already begun to compose sacred dances based on some of the same scenes, it seemed obvious to add them in as *divertissements*. Thus, with the addition of two pieces at the beginning and one at the end, was born *The Song of Luke*. I was hesitant at first to use such a lofty term as oratorio, but indeed this work is an oratorio in the very earliest sense of that word, that is, an extended setting of a religious libretto for vocal soloists, chorus and instruments, for performance either in concert or in church, usually without scenery, costumes or acting per se. Strictly speaking though, the credit goes to the good Roman priest Philip Neri in the 16th century for inventing a type of morality play to be performed in his oratory, which would give later rise to the musical version, and soon to opera itself. I'm particularly touched that the first oratorio was written by Cavallieri in early 17th century Florence, since I carried postcards of Pontormo's frescos of the Annunciation from the church of Santa Felicita in Florence with me for two years as an inspiration. Indeed two of the pieces were written right on Piazzale Michelangelo overlooking the Duomo.

There are certain themes that carry through the story, but none so prominent as the fulfillment of promises. And so we hear right at the beginning, in the words of the prophet Baruch, to be consoled! Take off your robe of mourning and misery! Put on the splendor of glory! What you have waited for is here, is now! Why? We hear the basses sing at the end of the first piece, *Puer natus es*, quoting the Gregorian introit for Christmas—because a child is born for us, who is the fulfillment of all promises, in whom the fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily. Indeed, not just the Hebrew Scriptures, but all time centers on this child. So as we hear the rest of the choir moving forward singing the traditional Christmas proclamation, from the time in the beginning when God created the heavens and earth, through secular time and the reign of Octavian Augustus, the basses chant the genealogy of Jesus from Luke 3, from Joseph back to Adam and God's own self, until they both collide: "... the whole world being at peace, in the sixth age of the world ..." So too Simeon and Anna, who had waited so long with all the just ones, at the end are content to die in peace, for with their own eyes they have seen the Light made flesh. O that we may see and feel in our own hearts the consolation of that promise fulfilled before we close our eyes to sleep! So, too, we hear Gabriel blessing the child in Mary's womb, Elizabeth blessing Mary for believing that the promise of the Lord would be fulfilled, and Zechariah blessing God for coming to set Israel free; while Mary turns rather to us four times, saying blessed is anyone “who hears the word of God and keeps it like a treasure in the heart,” echoing the same words her son himself will say. For us too the promise will be fulfilled, the eternal birth of God in our own virginal hearts, if we have the courage of hope.
Lest we get too bogged down in our reasoning faculties, four times we will let sounds and moving bodies express for us movements that perhaps cannot be expressed or explained, and refuse to be contained by mere words. And just as each of the principal characters have a voice and a dance, so they each have an instrument, the oboe for Mary, the bassoon for Elizabeth, the cello for Zechariah, and especially prominent is the clarinet of Gabriel. We must remember that Gabriel is the voice of God; in Hebrew Scriptures it is not all that clear that the angel may be God's own self-manifesting. So let's say the clarinet is the voice of God, but this is the "coyote" God of the desert, dancing at the periphery, daring, inviting, cajoling us to dance too! I have always loved the plaintive yet joyous resonance of the clarinet especially in the klezmer music of Eastern Europe. So listen throughout for the invitation to join in the dance!

The only one silent here is Jesus, who as yet, in the words of Timothy Dudley Smith, "...comes to us as one unknown, / a voice unseen, unheard, / as though within a heart of stone, / a shriveled seed in darkness sown, / a pulse of being stirred."\(^1\) But that is as it should be for now, for soon enough "...ev'ry stone shall cry / in praises of the child / by whose descent among us / the worlds are reconciled."\(^2\)

I have followed rather scrupulously the New American translation of the Bible for the recitative, with some slight omissions for brevity's sake, but all the texts for the canticles and all other intervening pieces are my free adaptations of the Scriptural texts. An enormous debt of thanks to my friend and collaborator John Pennington, for making this happen; to Linda Mack and the Durango Choral Society whose bright faces were in my mind's eye late nights and early in the morning dreaming up choir parts for real people; to my brother monks of New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur, especially Fathers Raniero and Isaiah who have lovingly and generously followed every step on the way; and to my dear friends in Italy who gave me three weeks of gentilezza to put the first notes on paper in 2000.

Glory to God, and peace! peace! peace! to all people and creatures who live on the earth.

Cyprian Consiglio, OSB Cam.

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\(^1\) Timothy Dudley Smith  
\(^2\) Richard Wilbur
1. Be Consoled  
(Baruch 5:1-9)

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soled, my people! Take courage O fair Jerusalem!

soled, f my people! Take courage O fair Jerusalem!

soled, (O) my people! Take courage O fair Jerusalem!

sal-em! Be consoled, my people!
sal-em! Be consoled, my people, f for your

sal-em! Be consoled (O) my people, for your
Verse 1

Wrapped in the robe of your justice,
slav'ry has come to an end!

mourn'ing and misery,
take off your robe of justice,

Take courage O fair Jerusalem,
slav'ry has come to an end!
put on forever the beauty of glory!
put on your head the mitre of majesty.

sal-em!

Your slav'ry has come to an end!

sal-em!

Be consoled, my people! Take

Be consoled, my people! Take

Be consoled O my people! Take

Be consoled, my people! Take
cour-age O fair Je-ru-sal-em! Be con-soled,

my peo-ple, for your slav'-ry has come to an end!

Be con-soled, O my peo-ple, for your slav'-ry has come to an end!

Be con-soled, my peo-ple, for your slav'-ry has come to an end!
ru salem arise, look east from the highest heights!

Even though you went led away by your enemies,

Take

Your children are gathered at the

courage O fair Jerusalem!

courage O fair Jerusalem!
The word of your holy one!

Loft as if royalty.

Your slavery has come to an end!

Be consoled, my people! Take

Be consoled, O my people! Take

Be consoled, my people! Take
courage O fair Jerusalem! Be consoled,

Be consoled, my people!

For

Be consoled, my people, for your slav'ry has come to an end!
God has ordered valleys and hills made into level ground, 
God himself in joy will be the leader of Israel, 
so you can march safely in the glory with mercy and courage O fair Jerusalem!
light of God's glory, - - - - - For

Your slav'ry has come to an end

slav'ry has come to an end!

Soloist with Basses

Pu - er na - tus es no - -

Be con - soled, be con - soled, my peo - ple! Take
bis,
courage O fair Jerusalem! Be consoled,
courage O fair Jerusalem! Be consoled,

filius dat us es non-
my people, for your slav’ry has come to an end!
be consoled, my people, for your slav’ry has come to an end!
Your slav’ry has come to an end!

Your slav’ry has come to an end.

Your slav’ry has come to an end.

slav’ry has come to an end!

slav’ry has come to an end!

ppp f
2. Proclamation and Genealogy

(Luke 3:23-38)
year!

In the time in the beginning when God created the heavens and earth; from the time in the beginning!

The two thousand nine hundred fifty seventh year!

Levi, the son of Amos, the son of
The two thousand and fifteenth year!

Joda, the son of Melchi, the son of

The two thousand and

The two thousand and fifth

Cosam, the son of Joshua, the son of

The two thousand and five hundred tenth

year from Moses and the going forth of the people

Joanam, the son of Menna, the son of
of Israel from Egypt;

The one thousand thirty-second year from David's anointing as king; in the sixtieth week according to the prophecy of year!

In the sixtieth week!
Daniel; in the one hundred fifty fourth Olympiad!

Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, the son of

The seven hundred fifty-second year!

seven hundred fifty-second year from the foundation of the Olympiad!

Serug, the son of Peleg, the son of

The forty-second year!

city of Rome; the forty-second year of the reign of Octavius Augustus

Cainan, the son of Noah, the son of Jared, the son of
slower, expressive

A-dam, the son of God!

The whole world being at peace, in the sixth age of the world!

rit.

The whole world being at peace, in the sixth age of the world!
In the days of King Her - od of Ju - de - a, There was a priest named Ze - ch - a - ri - ah of the priest - ly di - vi - sion of A - bi - jah. His wife was from the daugh - ters of - Aa - ron,

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and her name was Elizabeth. Both were righteous in the

eyes of God, observing all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blamelessly, but they had no

Preview
child, because Elizabeth was barren and both were advanced in years. Once when he was serving as priest in his division's turn before God, according to the practice
of the priestly service, he was chosen by lot to enter the sanctuary of the Lord to burn incense. Then, when the whole company of people was praying outside at the...
hour of the incense offering, the angel of the

Lord appeared to him standing at the right of the altar of

incense. Zechariah was troubled by what he saw,
and fear came upon him. But the angel said to him,

"Do not be afraid, Zechariah, because your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and..."
you shall name him John. And you will have joy and gladness,

and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He will drink neither wine nor strong drink.
He will be filled with the holy Spirit even from his mother's womb,

and he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will go before him in the spirit and power of E-
li-jah to turn the hearts of fathers to children and the

dis-obedient to the understanding of the righteous, to pre-

pare a people fit for the Lord." Then Zechariah
said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For

I am an old man— and my wife is advanced in

years." Then the angel said to him in reply,

Then the angel said to him in reply,
"I am Gabriel, who stand before God. I was sent to speak to you and to announce to you this good news. But now you will be speechless and unable to talk until the day these..."
things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be ful-

filled at their proper time.

Meanwhile the people were waiting for Zechariah and were a-

NARRATOR
mazed that he stayed so long in the sanctuary. But when he came out

he was unable to speak to them, and they realized he had

seen a vision in the sanctuary. He was gesturing to
them, but remained mute. Then, when his days of ministry

were completed, he went home. After this time

his wife Elizabeth conceived, and she went into seclusion for
five months saying, "So has the Lord done for me

at a time when he has seen fit to take away my dis-

grace before others.
3b. Zechariah's Dance
First Divertissement, Song of Luke

\[= 75\] Expressive, almost improvised

Clarinet in Bb

Tambourine

Cello

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In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin’s name was Mary.
Ma - ry. And com - ing to her he said,

"Hail, fav - ored one! The Lord is with you!"

But she was great - ly trou - bled at what was said and pon - dered what sort of greet - ing this might be.
Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, O Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great..."
and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will

give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the

house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.
But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you,"

MARY

NARRATOR

HARP

(VIBRAPHONE)
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called Holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age,
and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God. Mary said, "Be hold, I am the hand-maid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

*Vs. 38c, "And the angel departed from her" is omitted here.
4b. Blessed Are You, 1

Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, of your womb.

Blessed be Jesus, the fruit of your womb. Blessed, the fruit of your womb.
womb. How blessed are you.

and keep it as a treasure in the heart, - and keep it as a treasure in the heart.
Blessed are, blessed are you and blessed are all who hear the Word

Blessed are you among women and

(VIB & HARP)

of God, and keep it as a treasure in the heart, and

blessed is the fruit of your womb, of your womb. Blessed be Jesus, the
keep it as a treasure in the heart.

Bless-ed are, bless-ed are you!

fruit of your womb. Bless-ed, the fruit of your womb. How bless-ed are you!
4c. Annunciation
Second Divertissement, Song of Luke

Oboe

Bb Clarinet

Piano

Bb Cl.

Pno.

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less brash this time.

sospirando

whirling
During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby in her womb leaped for joy.
greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said

"Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit

(HARP) rolled
of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ear, the infant in my womb leaped for joy.
Blessed are you, blessed are you who believed that the promise of the Lord would be fulfilled, blessed are you, you who believed, blessed are you...
Blessed are all who hear the Word of God

you how-bless-ed are you!

and keep it as a trea-sure in the heart, - and keep it as a
treasure in the heart. Bless-ed are, bless-ed are you! Bless-ed are all who hear the Word

Bless-ed are you bless-ed are you who be-

of God and keep it as a treasure in the heart, - and

lieved that the promise of the Lord would be ful-filled, bless-ed are
keep it as a treasure in the heart. Bless-ed are, bless-ed are you!
you, you-who be-lieved, bless-ed are you how-bless-ed are you!

Immediately to 5c
5c. Canticle of Mary
(Lk 1:46-55)
arr. Robert Klimek and Cyprian Consiglio

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MARY SOLO:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my

spirit finds it joy in God my Saviour, for God has looked with favor on this
lowly servant and from this day forth all ages call me blest. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and from age to age God's name is ever
ho-ly. Great mer-cy God has al-ways shown to those who fear the Lord whose right arm de-feats the proud in their con-ceit.

ALL WOMEN:  Our God has cast the might-y from their
thrones, and then in their place are lifted up the lowly. The hungry ones are given every thing they need to live, while the rich are sent away with empty...
hands. The Lord has helped his servant Israel by re-

MEN:

God has helped his servant Israel-
member-ing the pro-mis-es of mer-cy,
the pro-mise that was spok-en to our

el by re-member-ing the pro-mise of his mer-cy,
the pro-mise that was
fath-er Ab-ra-ham and the prom-ise to his child-ren ev-er-more.

spok-en to our an-ces-tors the prom-ise to his child-ren ev-er-more.
5d. The Visitation
Third Divertissement, Song of Luke

Andante, light and brisk

Oboe

Bassoon

Piano

Glockenspiel

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When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child, she gave birth to a son. Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy toward her and they rejoiced with her. When they came on the eighth day to circumcise him, they wanted to call him Zechariah after his father; but his mother said to them, "He is to be called John."
cise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No,

he will be called John. But they answered her,

There is
no one among your relatives that has this name!

So they made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called.

He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name,"

NARRATOR

ALL BASSES

(VIBRAPHONE)
and all were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened,

and his tongue was freed, and he spoke blessing God.
6b. Blessed Are You, 3

Blessed be our God, the God of Israel, who comes to set us free, O

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ELIZABETH

Blessed are all who hear the Word

blessed are you!

of God and keep it as a treasure in the heart, - and
keep it as a treasure in the heart. Blessed are, blessed are
you, and blessed are all who hear the Word of God
Blessed be our God, the (HARP & VIB)
and keep it like a treasure in the heart, and keep it as a God of Israel, who comes to set us


treasure in the heart. Blessed are, blessed are you!

free, O blessed are you!
6c. What Will This Child Be?

(The Birth of John)

Then fear came upon all their neighbors, and all these matters were discussed throughout the hill country of Judea. All who heard these things took them to
heart, saying,

What will this child be?

What will this child be?

What will this child be?

What will this child be? What, what

What will this child be? What

What will this child be? turn out to be?

In -
Indeed the hand of the Lord is upon this child, the hand of the Lord! Indeed the hand of the Lord.

Lord is upon this child. The hand, the hand.
hand of the Lord is upon him!

hand of the Lord is upon him!

hand of the Lord is upon him!

hand of the Lord is upon him!

hand of the Lord is upon him!

Then Zechariah his father, filled with the holy Spirit, prophesied, saying:

Humming
6d. The Canticle of Zechariah
(Luke 68-79)

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Blest be the Lord God of Israel who has come to his people and
set them free. God has raised up a
optional \(8^{\text{va}}\) arc.

savior strong and proud born of his servant, David; and through
ho-ly pro-phys God has pro-mised from of old to save us from all of our foes, from the hands of all who hate us. So,

So,

ho-ly pro-phys God has pro-mised from of old to save us from all of our foes, from the hands of all who hate us. So,
Blest be the Lord God of Israel who has come to his people and
set them free.

ZECHARIAH

set them free. God promised to show mercy to our ancestors to remember the covenant;
This was the oath sworn to father Abraham, to set us free from our enemies hand, free to worship God without fear,
Holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our lives.
So, Blest be the Lord God of Israel who has
come to his people and set them free.
come to his people and set them free.
You little child are a prophet for the Lord, you will go before the Lord to pre-
pare the way, to
give the people knowledge of sal-
variation by forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our
God the dawn from on high breaks upon us to
shine on those who dwell in the shadow of death and to
guide our feet on the way of peace.

ZECHARIAH

So,
Blest be the Lord God of Israel who has come to his people and
In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled,
each to their own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the
town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David
to be enrolled with Mary his betrothed who was with child. While
they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth
to her first born son. She wrapped him swaddling clothes and laid him in a
man-ger, be-cause there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shep-herds in that re-gion liv-ing in the fields, and

keep-ing the night watch ov-er the flock. The an-gel of the Lord ap-pear-ed to
them and the glory of the Lord shone around them and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid! For behold I bring to you good news of great joy that will be for all..."
people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign to you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a
man-ger." And sud-den-ly there was a mul-ti-tude of the heav-en-ly

host with the an-gel, prais-ing God, and say-ing,

Immediately into 7b
Peace to all people who live on the earth!

Peace to all people who live on the earth!

Glorify to God!

Glorify to God!

Glorify to God!

Glorify to God in the

Glorify to God!

Glorify to God!

Glorify to God in the

Glorify to God!
Peace on earth!

Glo-ry to God in the highest heav-en!

Peace on the earth!

Glo-ry to God!

live on the earth!

Glo-ry to God!

Peace on earth!

Peace to all people who live on the earth!

Peace on the earth!

Peace on the earth!
Glory to God!

live on the earth!

Glory to God!

Glory to God in the

Peace to all people who live on the earth!
Clar

S

A

T

B

Chm

20

20

20

20

20

Glo-ry to God!

Glo-ry to God in the highest heav-en!

Glo-ry to God! Glo-ry to God! Glo-ry to God in the highest heav-en!

Glo-ry to God!

Glo-ry to God!

Glo-ry to God!

Glo-ry to God in the highest heav-en!

Peace on earth!

Peace on earth!

Peace on the earth!

f

mf
Peace to all people who live on the earth!

Peace on earth!

Peace to all people who live on the earth!

Peace on earth!

Peace on earth!
Peace on the earth!

Peace to all people who live on the earth!

Glo - ry to God!

Peace on earth!

Glo - ry to God!

live on the earth!

Glo - ry to God!
When the angels went away from them to heaven, the shepherds said to one another:

Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing, let us

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go to Bethlehem and see! Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place! Let us go, let us see this thing which the Lord has made known to us. Let us go to Bethlehem!
Bethlehem.

Go to Bethlehem and see this thing

see! Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing

that has taken place! Let us go, let us see this thing that the Lord has made

that hastaken place! Let us go, let us see this thing which the Lord has made

recitative ad lib.

So they went in haste and found Mary and Joseph,

known to us!

(Humming)

known to us!
and an infant lying in the manger. When they saw this they made known the message that had been told them about this child.

All who heard it were amazed at what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen,
just has it had been told to them (by the angel).

When eight days were completed for his circumcision.

he was named Jesus, the name that had been given to him by the angel

before he was conceived in the womb.
7d. The Nativity
Fourth Divertissement, Song of Luke

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Largo  Gentle; Expressive

Oboe

Clarinet in Bb

Bassoon

Cello

Piano

Vibraphone

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When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, in accordance with the dictate of the law of the Lord.
Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simon.

This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the holy Spirit was upon him. It had

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been revealed to him by the holy Spirit that he should not see death be-
fore he had seen the Messiah of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the

temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to per-

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form the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his
arms and bless'd God.* The child's father and mother were amazed at
what was said of him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother:
Immediately to 8b.
8b. Behold This Child

Luke 2:34b-38
(The Presentation in the Temple b)

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dict-ed (and you your-self a sword will pierce) so that the
dic-tion. and you your-self a sword will pierce,
dic-tion; you your-self a sword, sword will pierce, the
dic-tion; you your-self a sword,

thoughts of ma-ny hearts will be re-vealed.
thoughts of ma-ny hearts re-vealed!
thoughts of ma-ny hearts re-vealed!

hearts re-vealed.
There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.

She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four.
She never left the temple but worshipped night and day with fasting and prayer.

And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about this child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.
Bb Cl.
Bsn.
Vlc.
Choir
Harp
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now, Master,
9
now you may dis- miss your
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now you may dis- miss your
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servant in peace. Your
word has been fulfilled.

Preview
My own eyes have seen the salvation, the salvation which
...you have prepared in the sight of the...

...nations: a light, a...
light, a light of revelation to the nations, to the nations, to the nations,
peo - ples, to the Gen - tiles.

FULL CHOIR

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FULL CHOIR

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light of revelation to the nations!

light of revelation to the nations!
Master, now, now, now you may dis-miss your
servant in peace.

Your word has been fulfilled.
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When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.
The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;

and the favor of God was upon him.
And the favor of God was upon him!

mp

And the favor of God was upon him!

p
9b. Blessed Are You
(Final Reprise-Voices and Instruments)

Blessed are all who hear the Word of God

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and keep it as a treasure in the heart, and keep it as a

Blessed are you, and blessed are you, and blessed are you, among

(HARP & VIBRAPHONE)
all who hear the Word of God and keep it like a

blessed are you who believed that the promise of the Lord would be fulfilled

women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, of your womb.

Blessed be our God, the God of

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treasure in the heart, and keep it as a treasure in the heart.

filled, blessed are you, you who believed, blessed are

Blessed is Jesus, fruit of your womb. Blessed, the fruit of your

Israel, who comes to set us free, O
Bless-ed are, bless-ed are you! Bless-ed are all who hear the Word

you how-bless-ed are you, are you, bless-ed are you who be-

womb. How bless-ed are

Bless-ed are you a-mong wo-men - - - and

bless-ed are you!

Bless-ed
of God and keep it as a treasure in the heart, and believed that the promise of the Lord would be fulfilled, blessed are blessed is the fruit of your womb, of your womb. Blessed is Jesus, be our God, the God of Israel, who
Ob.

B♭ Cl.

Bsn.

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Vc.

Blessed are, blessed are you!

Keep it as a treasure in the heart.

You, you who believed, blessed are you how blessed are you!

Fruit of your womb. Blessed, the fruit of your womb. How blessed are you!

Comes to set us free, O blessed are you!

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9b. Blessed Are You
(Final Reprise-Instruments only)

HARP & INSTRUMENT SCORE

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10. A Light Will Shine

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A light will shine on us this day! The light will shine on us this day! The
Lord is born for us!
A light will shine on us this day the
Lord is born for us! And he shall be called
Wonderful! The Lord is born! And he shall be called Counselor! The

The Lord is born for us! Oo. The

Vlc.
Lord is born! And he shall be called God-

Lord is born for us! Oo. and his kingdom will nev-

he shall be called God-

kingdom will nev-
end!______ A light will shine on us this day! The Lord is born for

end!______ A light will shine on us this day! The Lord is born for
And he shall be called the
The Lord is born for us!  

The Lord is born for us!  

The Lord is born for us!  

The Lord is born for us!  

The Righteous One!  

The Righteous One!  

The Righteous One!  

The Righteous One!

The Prince of Peace! The Lord is born! And he shall be called the Righteous One! The Prince of Peace! The Lord is born! And he shall be called the Righteous One!

The Prince of Peace! The Lord is born! And he shall be called the Righteous One! The Prince of Peace! The Lord is born! And he shall be called the Righteous One!
Lord is born for us! Oo. and the glory of God is re-
Lord is born! And he shall be called Em-man-u-el, and the glory of God is re-
Lord is born for us! Em-man-u-el, and the glory of God is re-
Lord is born for this day! The light will shine on us this day! The Lord is born for this day!

vealed! A light will shine on us this day! The Lord is born for this day!

vealed! A light will shine on us this day! The Lord is born for this day!
And he shall be called the

He shall be

He,

us!

us!

He.

"the"
He shall be Holy One!

Word of God! The Lord is born for us!

He shall be called! The Lord is born, and he shall be called the Holy One!

The Lord is born! And he shall be the Holy One! The Lord is born!
Lord is born for us! The light of the world and he brings his people

Lord is born for us! He shall be light, and he brings his people

Lord is born! And he, he shall be called! And he brings his people

he brings his people
peace! A light will shine on us this day! The Lord is born for us this day!
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ful!

He shall be Coun-

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ful!

He shall be Coun-

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He shall be

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lor!
ther! Word of God!

ther! He shall be Word of God!

ther! Word of God!
Right - eous One! Fa ther

Right - euos One! And shall be Fa ther

God! Right - euos Fa ther

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light will shine on us this
day! A light will shine on

day! A light will shine on

day! A light will shine on

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A light will shine on us this day! The light will shine on us this day!

The us this day! The

us this day!

us this day!
Lord is born! The Lord is born! The Lord is born! The Lord is born! The Lord is born for us! For us! For us! For us! For us! For us! For us!

The Lord is born for us this...
Lord is born for us!

A light will shine the Lord is born for us!

A light will shine the Lord is born for us!