



A Seasonal Musical Offering

A Gift to the Congregations of
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church,
First Presbyterian Church, Plano,
and West Plano Presbyterian Church



A message to our congregations:

There are unique challenges to celebrating Christmas this year, but these challenges cannot stifle the joy promised by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This musical offering is given as a reminder of God's love for you. May the light of Christ shine on your hearts so you may know the glory of God.

A message to visitors:

Welcome! Thank you for celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ with us through this musical offering. We are grateful for your presence. If you would like more information about worshipping with any of our three churches, please visit our websites. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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For
Unto
us a
CHILD
is born
Unto us a Son
is given, and the
Government shall be
Upon His shoulders,
and His Name shall be called,
Wonderful, Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace!
Isaiah 9:6

The Music Selections

3:11 – Variations on an Old Basque Carol (Gabriel’s Message)

Marco lo Muscio
West Plano Presbyterian Church
Drew M. Edwards

9:38 – Advent Message

Martin How
First Presbyterian Church, Plano
Drew Edwards, tenor; Terry Johnston, tenor; David Rodgers, organist

12:10 – Sing We now of Christmas

Carolyn Hamlin and Faye Lopez
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian
David Rodgers, pianist; Gregg Wright, organist

14:46 – Who Shall Come

Mary E. Caldwell
First Presbyterian Church, Plano
Gregg Wright, tenor; David Rodgers, organist

17:20 – Prelude on ‘The Holly and the Ivy’

Herbert Sumsion
West Plano Presbyterian
Drew M. Edwards, organist

20:53 – He Shall Feed His Flock

G.F. Handel, arr. Newell H. Long and Margaret Session
First Presbyterian Church, Plano
David Rodgers, saxophonist; Gregg Wright, pianist

24:10 – Still, Still, Still

Mark Hayes
West Plano Presbyterian Church
David Rodgers, pianist; Gregg Wright, pianist



27:33 – *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

Lani Smith
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church
David Rodgers, pianist; Gregg Wright, organist

32:04 – *Gentle Mary Laid Her Child*

Michael Burkhardt
First Presbyterian Church, Plano
David Rodgers, organist

35:00 – *What is this Lovely Fragrance?*

Paul Manz
First Presbyterian Church, Plano
David Rodgers, organist

37:47 – *Hush, My Babe, Lie Still and Slumber*

Jody Lindh
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church
David Rodgers, organist; Gregg Wright, tenor

41:01 – *All is Well*

Michael W. Smith
West Plano Presbyterian Church
Drew M. Edwards, tenor; David Rodgers, pianist

42:56 – *The Holy Boy (A Carol of the Nativity)*

John Ireland
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church
Drew M Edwards, organist

46:50 – *V. Andante maestoso, from opus 101 (Love Came Down at Christmas)*

Charles Villiers Stanford
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church
Drew M. Edwards, organist



49:48 – *Silent Night*

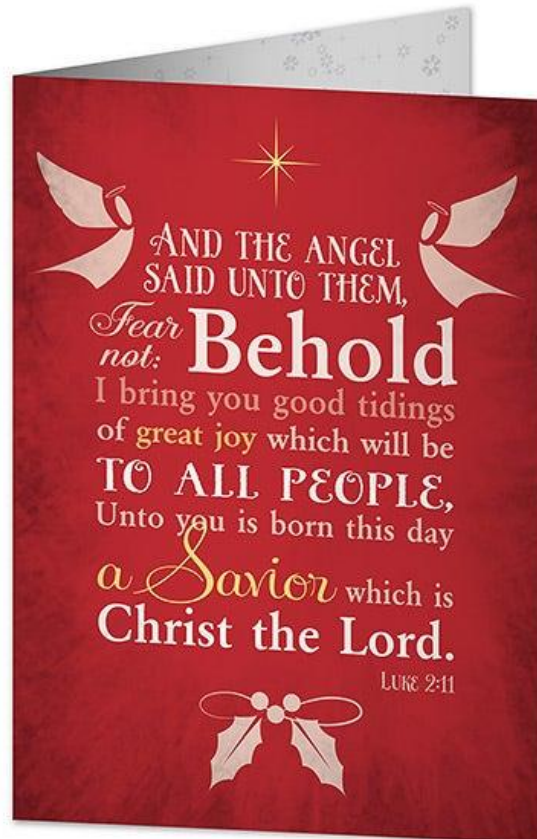
Paul Edwards
First Presbyterian Church, Plano
David Rodgers, saxophonist; Gregg Wright, pianist

53:29 – *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*

Joel Raney
West Plano Presbyterian Church
David Rodgers, pianist; Gregg Wright, pianist

56:15 – *Prelude, Fugue and Toccata on ‘Adeste Fideles’*

David Lowe
Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church
David Rodgers



The Instruments

For more information about the Garland Organ at Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church, please visit our website:

<https://www.bentwoodtrail.org/info.php?pnum=24>

For more information about the Schudi Organ and Steinway & Sons Piano at West Plano Presbyterian Church, please visit our website:

http://www.westplanopresbyterian.org/images/wppc_instrument_summary.pdf

For more information about the Casavant Freres Organ at First Presbyterian Church, Plano, please visit the Organ Historical Society website:

<https://pipeorgandatabase.org/organ/44109>



The Audio Visual Crew

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The Musicians

David Rodgers, Associate Director of Music/Organist, Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church

David Rodgers has been Associate Director of Music/Organist at Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church since September 2016. He has served Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Baptist, Bible, and Disciple of Christ churches throughout the state of Texas. In addition to keyboard responsibilities, he has directed children and youth choirs, handbell choirs, instrumental groups, and an acapella men's ensemble. Mr. Rodgers studied organ with Frank Speller, Joyce Jones, and Martha Wainwright.

Originally from Norwich, CT, Mr. Rodgers began studying piano at the age of seven and saxophone lessons at twelve. He excelled at the regional and state levels, winning numerous awards throughout junior and senior high school. Currently, Mr. Rodgers is section leader of the Metropolitan Winds saxophone section, performing regularly at the Meyerson Symphony Center and Dallas City Performance Hall. Mr. Rodgers is frequently asked to accompany Solo & Ensemble and All State UIL music students.

Mr. Rodgers currently leads the Marketing Consumer Research team for TaxAct-Blucora in Dallas. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology and Finance from Texas A&M, and an MBA degree in Marketing and Finance from the University of Texas. He has served on the Executive Board of the Dallas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists as Treasurer, Auditor, Chair of the Investments and Finance Committees, and as 2007 Region VII Convention Treasurer. He currently serves on the Metropolitan Winds Board of Directors, is a member of the Organ Historical Society, Choristers Guild, Who's Who of American Businessmen, the American Marketing Association, and the National Advertising Research Foundation.

Drew M. Edwards, Organist and Choir Master, West Plano Presbyterian Church

Drew and his family moved to Texas in 2016 having previously lived in Baton Rouge, LA, and he has been with West Plano Presbyterian Church since January of 2020.

Drew gravitated to music at an early age. He began singing in his church's children's choir at age 8 and began learning to play the piano at age 10. His natural musical abilities blossomed and grew through worship, and by age 17 he was playing the organ for his home church.

Drew has served as organist and/or music director at Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal and Presbyterian churches in Louisiana and Texas. He has often performed with community and school choirs for concerts and competitions.

While music ministry is his passion, Drew also works full-time as a corporate trainer for Prosperity Bank.

Gregg Wright, Director of Music Ministries, Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church

Gregg Wright is a native of North Carolina and holds a Master of Church Music degree from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. His applied major was voice with a minor in organ, and an academic major in Religious Education. He also holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Gardner-Webb University and an Associate Science degree in Mortuary Science from the Dallas Institute of Funeral Service. During his time as a full-time church musician, Mr. Wright served several churches in North Carolina and was active in organizing and conducting community choirs as well as teaching private lessons in piano, voice, and organ. Upon moving to Dallas, Mr. Wright worked a few years as a Funeral Director and Embalmer before being employed at UT Southwestern Medical Center. He retired from UTSW Medical Center in 2019 after 16 years in the administration and oversight of human research clinical trials. After moving to Dallas in 1999, Mr. Wright also served as the Director of Music/Organist at United Disciples Christian Church in Richardson. Since 2016 he has been the Director of Music Ministries at Bentwood Trail Presbyterian Church in Dallas. This year marks Mr. Wright's 50th year in church music.

Terry Johnston

Terry comes from a long line of singers and musicians. He often sang with his father and grandfather in church as a child and adult. In addition to being a talented vocalist, Terry is also a proficient pianist, and enjoys spending time at home playing and singing the hymns from his childhood as well as contemporary Christian music.

When not singing or playing music, Terry works as a corporate trainer for First United Bank.

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