

Advent Lessons & Carols December 11, 2022

Every Valley

John Ness Beck

Every valley shall be exalted,
And every mountain made low;
And the crooked made straight,
And the rough places plain.
And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
And all flesh shall see it together;
For the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it; Amen.

O Come to Us, Emmanuel

Joseph M. Martin

O come to us, Emmanuel, deliver us we pray.

Lord, come to us, abide with us, restore our joy today.

Lord come walk beside us, come lead, touch and guide us.

Shine in our shadows and show us the way.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to us and ransom Israel.

O come to us, Emmanuel, and make us one in love.

By your strong hand, Lord, heal our land with grace from above.

Bring peace for our sorrows, hope for tomorrow.

Sine in our shadows and bring a new day.

Rejoice

G. F. Handel

Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem,
Behold thy King cometh unto thee.
He is the righteous Saviour,
And He shall speak peace unto the heathen.

A Spotless Rose

Herbert Howells

A spotless Rose is blowing, sprung from a tender root,
Of ancient seers' foreshowing, Of Jesse promised fruit;
In fairest bud unfolds to light amid the cold, cold winter,
And in the dark midnight.

The Rose which I am singing, whereof Isaiah said,
Is from its sweet root springing in Mary, purest Maid;
For through our God's great love and might
the Blessed Babe she bare us.

Great Creator

Karen Marrolli

Great Creator, ever speaking, teach us you are weaving, still, Painting heaven in its newness, sculpting earth with finest skill. What has come before will vanish as the night fades into morn, Bringing daylight into darkness: heaven and earth will be reborn. Great Creator, ever listening to our prayers and to our plight, Write in us your new creation, when our weeping turns to sight. Let us see the daylight dawning, when the wolf lies with the lamb, When all people join their voices, singing of the Great I AM. Jerusalem, our happy home, when shall we come to thee? When shall our sorrows have an end? When shall your joys we see? Great Creator, ever moving over wind and over wave, Let our restless hearts find comfort in the call to love and save. Great Creator, as we wait here for the glorious rebirth, Use our hearts and hands in service; sculpt your kingdom here on earth.

Magnificat

Camille Saint-Saens

My soul doth magnify the Lord: my spirit hath rejoiced in God. For mine eyes have seen Thy glory.

Keep Your Lamps

Andre Thomas

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

Children don't get weary 'til your work is done.

Christian journey soon be over.

Tollite Hostias

Camille Saint-Saens

Praise ye the Lord of hosts, Sing his salvation,
Bless His name, show forth his praise in His holy house!
Rejoice, ye heavens and be joyful, on earth,
Rejoice in the face of the Lord, for He cometh, Alleluia.
Rejoice, ye angels, rejoice all ye nations
Now in the face of the Lord, for he cometh. Alleluia.