

One miraculous night in Bethlehem changed the course of human history forever. Foretold by Old Testament prophets, the Messiah entered the world and, even more importantly, the hearts of people from all walks of life with a message of hope and love. He did not come as many had anticipated - a warrior with strength and force to conquer his adversaries. In the Creator's providential wisdom and timing, a baby came to earth as God in human form. This holy night, the night of Jesus' birth, is recalled annually in our churches and home as we celebrate the sights, sounds and spirit of Christmas.

*Holy Night of Miracles* is a reminder that the hope born on that first Christmas night is still needed today and ultimately found in the miraculous Child born in Bethlehem so many years ago. In the timeless message of Christmas, our hearts are touched and renewed with the spirit of Christ's love. It is our prayer that this message and the confident assurance that His birth brought to a small corner of the globe will permeate your life in a fresh way. And may you realize anew the powerful promise that one of God's greatest gifts, represented in this Holy Child, is that of hope - hope for today, tomorrow and for all eternity.

Lloyd Larson and Neil Lorenz

# Holy Night of Miracles



*A cantata of hope for Christmas*

by Lloyd Larson

Presented by the combined choirs of Leesburg & Harmony  
United Methodist Churches

December 5, 2010  
8:15 & 11:00 am

Leesburg United Methodist Church

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## O Come to Us, Emmanuel

Latin hymn, 9<sup>th</sup> century

soloist: Natalie Huelsman & Chancel Choir

*Narration 1*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## Come to Us, O God of Hope

Chancel Choir

*Narration 2*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## Do Not Be Afraid

Chancel Choir

trio: Jennifer Leslie, Jim Ferguson & Tim Griffin

*Narration 3*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## A Miracle This Holy Night

Chancel Choir

*Narration 4*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## Christ Is Born, Sing Glory to God!

Chancel Choir

*Narration 5*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## I Was Touched and I Believe

Chancel Choir

*Narration 6*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## Child of Hope

Chancel Choir

*Narration 7*

*Rev. Jim Wishmyer*

## Worship Christ, the Newborn King!

Chancel Choir & Congregation

Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace of earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled"  
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem"  
Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace. Hail the Sun of Righteousness.  
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.  
Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

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O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels.  
O come let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him.  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above.  
Glory to God all glory in the highest.  
O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him.  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

### Leesburg & Harmony United Methodist Church Choirs

#### Soprano

Sandy Bruner  
Sandy Ciaburri  
Bobbi Cunningham  
Caroline Curry  
Michelle Farris  
Marissa Gillwald  
Shawna Griffin  
Tamara Hayter  
Margaret Humphrey  
Elizabeth Jackson  
Margie James  
Lou Legard  
Jennifer Leslie  
Letty Mallery  
Emily Sheets  
Lauren Vineyard  
Ashley Wilmoth  
Meghan Wilmoth

#### Tenor

Rolando Agustin  
Jim Ferguson  
John Mallery  
Ann Pullen  
Chuck Reavis  
Dylan Serra  
Greg Wilmoth

#### Alto

Alice Farris  
Natalie Huelsman  
Carolyn Quatraro  
Kathy Shields  
Marilyn Solomon  
Janice Webb  
Susan Whitman  
Tina Wilmoth  
Joyce Zucker

#### Bass

Jerry Caseman  
Roy Fuller  
Tom Gatewood  
Tim Griffin  
Bill Harrison  
Rick Humphreys  
Dale Kane  
H.B. Kilgour  
Kevin O Neal  
Nate Simpson  
John Tiedemann

Directors: Barry Simpson  
and Barbara Jennings

Accompanist: Debbie Buttery

Narrator: Rev. Jim Wishmyer