Lyrics for Podcast on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2020

A Candle is Burning, Music: Sandra Dean, Lyrics: James R. Murray, one verse instrumental, Second Verse Sung

We honour Messiah with Christ candle's flame, Our Christmas Eve candles grand tidings proclaim, O come, all you faithful, rejoice in this night, For God comes among us the Christian's true light.

God of All Places, Music: David M. Young, Lyrics: David Haas, Arranger: Bruce Ley, Artists: Bruce Ley

God of all places: present, unseen. Voice in our silence, song in our midst. We are your people, knowing, unsure. Come, Lord Jesus, come!

God of all dreaming, near and yet far. Vision unheard of, wake us to rest. We are your presence, sent forth afraid. Come, Lord Jesus, come!

God of all people, dust and the clay.
Breath of a new wind, fire in our heart.
Light born of heaven, peace on the earth.
Come, Lord Jesus, come!
Come, Lord Jesus, come!

Breath of Heaven, Music: Chris Eaton, Lyrics: Amy Grant, Arranger: Bruce Ley, Artists: Bruce Ley, Candice Bist

I have traveled many moonless nights Cold and weary with a babe inside And I wonder what I've done Holy father you have come And chosen me now to carry your son

I am waiting in a silent prayer
I am frightened by the load I bear
In a world as cold as stone
Must I walk this path alone?

Be with me now. Be with me now

Breath of heaven

Hold me together

Be forever near me

Breath of heaven

Breath of heaven

Lighten my darkness

Be forever near me

Breath of heaven

Do you wonder as you watch my face
If a wiser one should have had my place
But I offer all I am
For the mercy of your plan
Help me be strong, help me be strong

Breath of heaven

Hold me together

Be forever near me

Breath of heaven

Breath of heaven

Lighten my darkness

Be forever near me

Breath of heaven. (repeat)

Christmas Carol Medley

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear, Lyrics: Edmund Hamilton Sears. Music: Richard Storrs Willis, Arranger: Bruce Ley, Artists: Bruce Ley, Lee McKinnon

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,

From angels bending near the earth, to touch their harps of gold:

"Peace on the earth, goodwill to all, from heaven's all-gracious King."

The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

Away in a Manger, Lyrics: Unknown, Music: William James Kirkpatrick, Artists: Bruce Ley, Susan Boon

Away in a manger no crib for a bed, the little lord Jesus laid down his sweet head,

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the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The First Noel, Lyrics: traditional English Carol, Music: Tranditional English melody, Artists: Bruce Ley, Darlene Morrow

The First Noel, the Angels 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

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel!

Noel, Noel

Noel, Noel

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Lyric: Charles Wesley, Music: Felix Mendelssohn, Arranger: Bruce Ley, Artists: Bruce Ley, Jeff Cottam

Hark! the herald angels sing

Glory to the new-born King!

Peace on earth and mercy mild

God and sinners reconciled!

Joyful, all ye nations, rise

Join the triumph of the skies

With the angelic host proclaim

Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Hark! the herald angels sing

Glory to the new-born King!

O Come All Ye Faithful, Lyrics: Claude Rozier, Frederick Oakely, translator, Artists: Bruce Ley, Alex Boon

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!

Refrain: O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

O Little Town of Bethlehem, Lyrics: Phillips Brooks, Music: Lewis Henry Redner,

Arranger: Bruce Lev, Artists: Bruce Lev, Candice Bist

O little town of Bethlehem

How still we see thee lie

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love
O morning stars together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King
And Peace to men on earth

O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born to us today
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel

O Holy Night, Lyrics: Placide Cappeau, Jon Sullivan Dwight, translator, Music: Adolphe Adam, Artists: Bruce Ley, Paul Boon, SPPC Choir

O Holy night! The stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
'Til He appears and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn
Fall on your knees; O hear the Angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born
O night, Divine, O night divine, oh night divine.

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Silent Night, Lyrics: Joseph Mohr, John Freeman Young (translator), Music: Frank Xavier Gruber, Artists: Bruce Ley, Sabine Rohner-Tensee, SPPC Choir

Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht, Alles schläft; einsam wacht Nur das traute hochheilige Paar. Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar, Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh! Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar;
Heavenly hosts sing Al-le-lu-ia!
Christ the Savior is born!
Christ the Savior is born!
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, oh, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth

In the Bleak Midwinter, Lyrics: Christian Georgine Rossetti, Music: Gustav Theodor Holst, Arranger: Bruce Ley, Artists: Bruce Ley, Candice Bist

In the bleak midwinter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen,
Snow on snow, snow on snow,

In the bleak midwinter, Long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him, Nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away When he comes to reign; In the bleak midwinter A stable place sufficed The Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged in the air;
But his mother only,
In her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the Beloved
With a mother's kiss.

What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man
I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give Him —
Give my heart.