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# *Songs of the Season*

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**Friday, December 5, 2025**  
**7:30 p.m.**

**Hughes Auditorium**  
**Wilmore, Ky.**

*PRESENTED BY*  
**Asbury Chorale**  
**Asbury Orchestra**  
**Asbury English Faculty**

## SONGS OF THE SEASON ORDER OF PROGRAM

Welcome and Prayer ..... Kevin J. Brown, Ph.D.  
*President*

### PART I: HE WILL COME

“Veni, Veni Emmanuel” ..... Michael John Trotta  
Chorale

Introduction to the Evening ..... Nathan Miller '05, Ph.D.  
*Associate Professor of Music*

“The Lark Ascending” ..... Ralph Vaughan Williams  
Orchestra  
Saelim Henderson, M.M., Violin Soloist

“Christmas Oratorio” ..... by W. H. Auden  
Read by Elizabeth Parker, Ph.D.

“Oratorio de Noël” ..... Camille Saint-Saëns  
Chorale and String Orchestra

Soloists: Isaac Brooks, M.M., Donovan Chung '26,  
Lindsey Melhorn '26, Gentry Osbourn '27, Mikah Saub '27

### PART II: CHRIST IS BORN

“Nativity Poem” ..... by Joseph Brodsky, translated by Seamus Heaney  
Read by Rachel Rinehart, M.F.A.

“O Lux Beata Trinitas” ..... Kurt E. von Kampen  
Chorale

A Carol Fantasy ..... Orchestra

“Amazing Peace: A Christmas Poem” ..... by Maya Angelou  
Read by Erin Penner, Ph.D.

“Holy Radiant Light” ..... Alexandre Gretchaninoff  
Chorale

## PART III: WE REMEMBER

"Refuge" .....	by Malcolm Guite Read by Devin Brown, Ph.D.
"Hark! In 7/8" .....	Steven Landau Chorale
"Remembering that It Happened Once" .....	by Wendell Berry Read by Andrea Gyertson '95 Nasfell, M.F.A.
"Sussex Carol" .....	Elaine Hagenberg Chorale and Orchestra
"Christmas" .....	by George Herbert Read by Dan Strait, Ph.D.
Christmas Festival .....	Orchestra

## SOLOISTS

**Donovan Chung** is a senior Vocal Performance major from Louisville, Ky. He serves in multiple leadership roles as part of the Salvation Army Student Fellowship Music and Arts program and is a dedicated member of the Asbury Chorale, the praise team, and the Gospel Choir. Known for his commitment to musical excellence and his warm, collegial spirit, Donovan excels both academically and as an active contributor to campus ensembles.

**Lindsey Melhorn** is a senior Music Education student from Louisville, Ky. In her time at Asbury, Lindsey has enjoyed singing in Chorale, playing oboe in Concert Band and Orchestra, and leading chapel worship. After graduating this spring, Lindsey intends to student teach and lead worship at her church.

**Gentry Osbourn** is a junior Music Education major from Stanford, Ky. She is active in leadership roles across the music department and excels both academically and in performance. Gentry intends to follow where the Lord leads her, guided by her love for music.

**Mikah Saub** is a junior Pre-music Therapy and Vocal Performance student from Omaha, Neb. She has had many opera/musical theater roles during her

time at Asbury and was the music director for the sophomore musical "The Sound of Music" in Spring 2025. Mikah intends to get her board certification following her graduation and pursue a master's degree in music therapy.

**Prof. Saelim Henderson**, a native of Seoul, South Korea, started playing the violin at the age of 4. She completed her bachelor's degree in Music at Pusan National University, South Korea then enrolled in Campbellsville University (KY) in 2008 where she received recognition for exceptional achievement in Instrumental performance in 2009 and completed her master's in Music Performance in 2010. At present, she is a doctoral student in Musical Performance at the University of Kentucky. She is currently an adjunct professor at Asbury University and an active member of the University of Kentucky Symphony Orchestra, Lexington Philharmonic Orchestra and Orchestra Kentucky in Bowling Green.

## PERSONNEL

### CHORALE

Isaac Brooks,  
*director*  
  
*Soprano 1*  
Faith Alford  
Campbell Gorbett  
Addison Polk  
Mikah Saub  
  
*Soprano 2*  
Jessica Edwards  
Lindsey Melhorn  
CJ Oak  
Gentry Osbourn  
  
*Alto 1*  
Laurienne DeAtley  
Audrey Houchin  
Heidi Pym  
Erin Robinette  
Abby Woodard  
  
*Alto 2*  
Chloee Adams  
Hannah Platt  
Abigail Tingle  
Anna Winn  
  
*Tenor 1*  
Mary Beth Durham

Parker Phillips  
*Tenor 2*  
Donovan Chung  
Kidron Jones  
  
*Bass 1*  
William Hansen  
Jackson Hicks  
Josiah Lynes  
Joshua Robinett  
Gabe Winn  
  
*Bass 2*  
Bramwell Carr  
Jonas Carr  
Andrew Gibbons  
Richard Sayre

**ORCHESTRA**  
Dr. Nathan Miller,  
*director*  
  
*First Violin*  
Caitlin Burke  
Bailey Gassman  
Madelyn McCall  
Rebecca Yount  
Elsa Song

*Second Violin*  
Gabriella Ferraz  
Arianna Brannon  
Anne Chang  
Isaac McCall  
Saelim Henderson  
  
*Viola*  
Maxson Zonio  
Melissa Richard  
Nicoletta Moss  
  
*Cello*  
Millie Wasson  
Reagan Guilford  
Bryan Hagan  
Aidan Sterner  
  
*Bass*  
J. Nuno Norberto  
  
*Flute*  
Marissa Yost  
Jenna Green  
  
*Oboe/Clarinet*  
Lindsey Melhorn  
  
*Clarinet*  
Nathaniel Smith  
Matthew Quarry

*Bassoon*  
Noah Recktenwald  
  
*Horn*  
Josiah McKinney  
Jessica Edwards  
Silas Bruns  
  
*Trumpet*  
Madeline Madsen  
William Hansen  
Bramwell Carr  
  
*Trombone*  
Richard Sayre  
Bobbylyn Weldy  
  
*Bass Trombone*  
Mitchell Robertson  
  
*Tuba*  
Jonas Carr  
  
*Percussion*  
Noah Carr  
Joshua Conklin  
Emily Reed  
Abigail Tingle  
  
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