



Festival of Christmas Hymns Worship Choir	Traditional carols arr. Ronn Huff
O Night of Miracles Steve Ar Kory Welch	merson, David T. Clydesdale arr. David T. Clydesdale
Joy! Joyful Sound	Regi Stone, Geron Davis arr. J. Daniel Smith
Once Upon a Silent Night	Mark Hayes
Christmas Angels	
What Child Is This? Christian Ebner	Traditional English melody arr. Matt McGuire
Angels We Have Heard on High	Traditional French carol arr. Clayton Erb
Love Came Down at Christmas.  John & Lisa Martin	David & Bonnie Huntsinger arr. David Huntsinger
Pat-a-Pan	raditional Burgundian carol arr. Dan & Heidi Goeller
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Traditional German Carol John & Lisa Martin, Christian Ebner, Worship Choir arr. Jay Rouse	
O Holy Night	Adolphe Adam arr. Bob Krogstad
Welcome and Offering	
Joy to the World!	George F. Handel arr. Mack Wilberg
The Shepherd's Carol	

**Down from His Glory**.......Eduardo di Capua, William E. Booth-Clibborn Philip Webb arr. Bob Krogstad

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

Christ, by highest heav'n adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb: Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail th'incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in His wings. Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Bethlehem Morning	
The Little Drummer Boy Worship Choir	
Mary, Did You Know? Jubilant Sykes	Mark Lowry, Buddy Greene arr. Mark Rice
The Christmas Story	
Hallelujah!	George F. Handel

## Benediction

Worship Choir

**How Great Our Joy!** ...... Traditional German carol Organ Postlude; Stephen Sturz arr. Stephen Sturz



VIOLIN

Gail Acosta Concertmistress Nadean Charonnat Matthias Rykert Michael Ferril Agnes Schwartz Aimee Bryan Christina Jeffrey

VIOLA

Whitney Hall

Samuel Boruszko Helen Crosby Ashleigh Zeller

CELLO

Cathy Biagini Beryl Canale STRING BASS

Mark Tope

HARP

Suzanne Johns

GUITAR

Nick Brown

ELECTRIC BASS

Paul Morin

**DRUMS** 

Tom Drake

SYNTHESIZER

Mark Rice

TRUMPET

David Johns Roger Mason Mark Wamhoff

FRENCH HORN

Steve Becknell Shirley Mollica Preston Shepard

TROMBONE

John Roberts Dick Klattenberg Ben Llewellyn

TUBA

Greg Koprowski

PERCUSSION

Tom Drake Tyler Smith Kris Mettala Nicholas Lawrence

FLUTE

Paulie Davis Katrina Hauser

Sharon Devol

OBOE

Victoria Sabonjohn

CLARINET

Melissa Koprowski

REHEARSAL PIANIST

Margo Ewing

Worship Choir

SOPRANO

Deborah Beebe Mirta Bondarczuk Victoria Chua Grace Chung Carol Clarke Wendy Cook Lindsay Dean Connie Dianda Donna Drion Margo Ewing Audra Fong Harriet Furuya Vicki Griffin Stephanie Klimek Mercy Mariano Gay McCurley Celena McMahon Pam Morse Hazel Munieza Frances Pampeyan Michelle Peterson Helen Salonga Julie Sandfrey Aubrey Seibert Shirley Shaffer Hilary Stulp Kathleen Swanson Alina Timinskas

Lisa Valdez Marva Washington Katie Webb

ALTO

Lou Ann Amodeo Kathy Belden Thalia Brandt Ruby Choi Marian Claussen Ann Crawford Catherine Curry Gail DeBurgh Sharon Devol Debbie Dickson Bonnie Grindley Jan Hanson Sayumi Hasegawa Cynthia Hawkins Sara Heisler Georgie Hughes Leslie LaMunyan-Elder Mauriene Landry Tina Lee Kathleen Lehman Gigi Leviste Barbara Lowman Haju P. Masse Barbara McCrory Donna Miller

Margaret Nackos

Kathi Nelson Connie Page Judy Pieper Michele Platt Donna Shin Judy Thomsen Lisa Trepepi Janet Waters Jeanne Wells Marilyn Wendler

TENOR

Abby Wilson

Edith Wyatt

Mark Arries Geoff Drew Adam Dunk John Eickemeyer Gavin Espinoza Philip Haw John Hester Gamaliel Jacinto Jeremy Lane Bryce Lenon Warren Pearson Bruce Petersen Greg Peterson Shane Schultz Elmer Serquina Alan Sherban

Carol Showalter

Rick Wells Dave Wrobbel

BARITONE/BASS
Steven Batesole

Mike Bohlen Steve Bondarczuk Fred Bryarly Tom Chaffin Kevin Courtright Rudell Jacinto Matthew Judy Ron Klint John Kok Jojo Leviste Toh-Bin Lim Dale Miller Joseph Oh David Paucar Philip Tan Gilbert Tsao Andrew Valdez Gary Van Treese Mark Vischer Wendell Washer Randy Watson Chris Weaver Jong Yi

Handbell Choir

David Johns Director Gail DeBurgh Sharon Devol Sara Heisler

Mary Lou Turner

Tina Ugalde

Suzanne Johns Matthew Judy Mauriene Landry Jeremy Lane Barbara Lowman Gay McCurley Michele Platt Sharon Secor Andrew Valdez Jeanne Wells



Julia Casebolt Sherri Crawford Sharon Devol Jeremy Lane

**Emily Markley** Gay McCurley Scott Morsch Michele Platt

Alan Sherban John Townsley Andrew Valdez Joshua Wheeler

## Children's Choir

David Johns Director Amy Andersen Lucy Bertolet Rachel Brandenstein William Brandenstein Emme Brooks Sarah Brooks Nathan Brown Riley Brown Brandon Bruce Noel Bruce Faith Cancik Grace Cancik Justin Casillas Melanie Casillas Rachel Castro

Margaret Chang

Alexander Chow

Jessie Dempsey Lyndrea Dobbins Lynelle Dobbins Hanna Dunham Brenna Evans Makena Evans Allison Farfan John Ford Faith Gates **Grace Gates** Grace Golden Katherine Grijalva Gracie Gwinn Rachel Harper Abby Holland Keady Hollingsworth Gretchen Hover Lillian Hoyer Peter Johns

Sara Khoury Kristina Knudsen Allison Lang Zachary Lang Jason Linahan Aimee Martinez John Matthews Madeline Matthews Makira Matthews Megan Matthews Brooke Milam Rachel Moneymaker Jordan Nadeau Whitney Neely Eliza Nesheim Ethan Nesheim Skye-Anna Oppel Jeremy Pagar Ranielle Pagar

Jarod Platt Mikayla Platt Grace Prinzing Libby Prinzing Hollen Raynor Olivia Rourke Sydney Schuk Isaiah Seidman Victoria Seidman Mariel Serquina Shannon Snyder Julia Salomon Daniel Stulp Elisabeth Stulp Kianna Teachout Sabrina Villarreal David Webb Danielle Williams Ashley Woodhouse

Interpreters for the Deaf

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Jaymee Himsey Tari Kelley Julie Casaccia Charles Logston Cece Sykes

Staging

Bryan Kirby Eric Chang

SOUND

William Brandenstein

LIGHTING

Ted Lehman Peter Haverlation Felix Camarillo

DECORATIONS

Mauriene Landry Gary Van Treese

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John MacArthur Pastor-Teacher

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Mark Rice Assistant to the Minister of Worship

Sharon Devol Administrative Assistant Stephen Sturz Organist

Mary Jane Duncan Pianist

## RECORDINGS

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## The True Meaning of Christmas

We hope you enjoy this concert of praise celebrating the marvelous birth of Jesus Christ, who is the Savior of mankind and the true meaning of Christmas. More importantly, we hope you know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Being a Christian is more than identifying yourself with a particular religion or affirming a certain value system. Being a Christian means you have embraced what the Bible says about God, mankind, and salvation. Consider the following truths found in the Bible.

God Is Sovereign Creator. Contemporary thinking says man is the product of evolution. But the Bible says we were created by a personal God to love, serve, and enjoy endless fellowship with Him. The New Testament reveals it was Jesus Himself who created everything (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16). Therefore, He also owns and rules everything (Psalm 103:19). That means He has authority over our lives and we owe Him absolute allegiance, obedience, and worship.

God Is Holy. God is absolutely and perfectly holy (Isaiah 6:3); therefore He cannot commit or approve of evil (James 1:13). God requires holiness of us as well. First Peter 1:16 says, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

Mankind Is Sinful. According to Scripture, everyone is guilty of sin: "There is no man who does not sin" (1 Kings 8:46). That doesn't mean we're incapable of performing acts of human kindness. But we're utterly incapable of understanding, loving, or pleasing God on our own (Romans 3:10–12).

Sin Demands a Penalty. God's holiness and justice demand that all sin be punished by death (Ezekiel 18:4). That's why simply changing our patterns of behavior can't solve our sin problem or eliminate its consequences.

Jesus Is Lord and Savior. Romans 10:9 says, "If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved." Even though God's justice demands death for sin, His love has provided a Savior who paid the penalty and died for sinners (1 Peter 3:18). Christ's death satisfied the demands of God's justice, and Christ's perfect life satisfied the demands of God's holiness (2 Corinthians 5:21), thereby enabling Him to forgive and save those who place their faith in Him (Romans 3:26).

The Character of Saving Faith. True faith is always accompanied by repentance from sin. Repentance is agreeing with God that you are sinful, confessing your sins to Him, and making a conscious choice to turn from sin (Luke 13:3, 5; 1 Thessalonians 1:9) and pursue Christ (Matthew 11: 28–30; John 17:3) and obedience to Him (1 John 2:3). It isn't enough to believe certain facts about Christ. Even Satan and his demons believe in the true God (James 2:19), but they don't love and obey Him. True saving faith always responds in obedience (Ephesians 2:10).

If you would like to speak to someone about becoming a Christian or would like to know more about the many ministries at Grace Community Church, it would be our great joy to speak with you.

Service Times

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. Grace Community Church 13248 Roscoe Blvd. Sun Valley, CA 91352

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