

There Shall a New Star Arise
A Celebration of Jesus Christ's Birth
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Narration #1 - Samuel the Lamanite

Behold, I, Samuel, a Lamanite, do speak the words of the Lord which he doth put into my heart...Behold, I give unto you a sign; for five years more cometh, and behold, then cometh the Son of God to redeem all those who shall believe on his name. And behold, this will I give unto you for a sign at the time of his coming: for behold, there shall be great lights in heaven, insomuch that in the night before he cometh there shall be no darkness, insomuch that it shall appear unto man as if it was day. Therefore, there shall be one day and a night and a day, as if it were one day and there were no night...And behold, there shall a new star arise, such an one as ye never have beheld; and this also shall be sign unto you." (Helaman 13:5 & 14:2-8) Tenor Solo - The Star of Bethlehem by Sally DeFord

Narration #2a - Nephi

"And it came to pass that I [Nephi] looked and beheld...the city of Nazareth; and in the city of Nazareth I beheld a virgin, and she was exceedingly fair and white...And [the angel] said unto me:

Narration #2b - The Angel

Behold, the virgin whom thou seest is the mother of the Son of God...

Narration #2a - Nephi

And I looked and beheld the virgin again, bearing a child in her arms. And the angel said unto me:

Narration #2b - The Angel

Behold the Lamb of God, yea, even the Son of the Eternal Father!" (1 Nephi 11:13 & 18-21)

Choir and Congregation - Silent Night, Hymn # 204

Narration #3

"And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn." Flute and children's duet - Away in A Manger arranged by Sally DeFord

Piano Solo (under the following narration) - The First Noel arranged by Sally DeFord

Narration #4a

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them,

Narration #4b

Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is

born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

Narration #4a

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men." (Luke 2:6-14) Ward Choir - Angel Chorus Medley

Let the Mountains Shout for Joy, The Choirbook

Angels We Have Heard on High, Hymn # 203

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Hymn #209

Narration #5

"And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child." (Luke 2: 16-17) Ward Choir, Primary Chorus, Violin, Organ - He is Born, the Child Divine by Sally DeFord

Narration #6

"...Behold there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem...And, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was...And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshiped him." (Matthew 2:1 & 9-11) Duet - What Child is This? arranged by Sally DeFord

Narration #7

"...Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us; this is the Lord; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation." (Isaiah 25:9)

Narration #8

"...and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21)

Narration #9

"But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart." (Luke 2:19) Women's Chorus - Born to Wear a Crown by Sally DeFord

Piano Solo (under the following narration) - I Stand All Amazed arranged by Sally DeFord

Narration #10a

"Now it came to pass that...Nephi, the son of Nephi,...cried mightily unto the Lord all that day: and behold, the voice of the Lord came unto him, saying:

Narration #10b - The Lord

"Lift up your head and be of good cheer; for behold, the time is at hand, and on this night shall the sign

be given, and on the morrow come I into the world, to show unto the world that I will fulfil all that which I have caused to be spoken by the mouth of my holy prophets. Behold, I come unto my own, to fulfil all things which I have made known unto the children of men from the foundation of the world, and to do the will, both of the Father and of the Son...and behold, the time is at hand, and this night shall the sign be given."

Narration #10a

"...behold, at the going down of the sun there was no darkness; and the people began to be astonished because there was no darkness when the night came...And it came to pass also that a new star did appear, according to the word." (3 Nephi 12-15 & 19-21) Soprano Solo, Choir, Congregation - Oh Holy Night arranged by Sally DeFord