THE CHRISTMAS GIFT DECEMBER 14, 2025

Christmas Time

Smith & Carlson

Soloists: Sue Doughman & Lois Urban

God in this Child

Sharpe

Almost There

Smith, King & Grant

Soloists: Ashley Lockemer, Marilyn Rodenhausen & Brenda Wahl

All You Are

Robertson, Lapointe & Wood

Soloists: Mary Ball, Tanya Fouts & Marilyn Rodenhausen

The Christmas Gift

McDonald

Carry The Light

Beck

Soloist: Payton Timmons

<u>Christmas Canon</u>

O'Neill & Beck

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Barbara Anderson

Mary Ball

Sue Doughman

Tanya Fouts

Ashley Lockemer

Marilyn Rodenhausen

Payton Timmons

Baritone/Tenor

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Lillian Smyser

Don Sullivan

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CHRISTMAS TIME

Ring, Christmas Bells, ring them loud with a message bringing peace on the earth, tidings of good cheer!

Come, carolers, come and join with the angels singing,

"Joy to the world!" Christmas time is here!

Children, gather around and listen.
You'll hear the sound of angels filling the sky telling everyone
Christmas time is here.

Love ones close to our hearts and strangers in lands afar together sharing the joy Emmanuel! Go tell the world he has come to dwell!

With one voice, let the world rejoice!

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

GOD IN THIS CHILD

A world of waiting You, a Promise ever true.

Those walking in darkness will see a great light.

Wars are still raging and struggles surround us all.

A glimmer of hope is God in this Child.

Bring peace to the world, conquer pain and injustice.

Give hope for tomorrow and silence our fear.

Teach us to love and care for each other

The joy in our hearts is God in this Child.

The King of glory comes, born to deliver all, defeating darkness, rejoicing in light, His light! Bow down before Him and worship eternally.

A Savior is born as God in this Child.

ALMOST THERE

Mary full of innocence, carrying the Holy Prince, you're almost there, you're almost there.

Mother of the Living Word, trusting in the voice you heard, you're almost there, you're almost there.

You're almost where the angels see redemption's plan unfolding.

All hope is in the Son you bear; you're almost there.

A lonely road, a willing heart, prayer for strength to do your part;
You're almost there, you're almost there.

Trust the Father to provide Bread of Heaven prophesied;
you're almost there, you're almost there.

You're almost where the waiting ends, delivering the Life within, The answered prayer, Emmanuel; you're almost there.

You're almost where the journey ends, where death will die and life begins, the answered prayer, Emmanuel; you're almost there.

You're almost there.

ALL YOU ARE

There's an infant child of promise safely held in Mary's arms;
We have come to see and worship the fulfillment of our hearts.
O what wondrous depth of love that our God would come so far;
Jesus all we need is all you are.

Chorus: The love that we have longed for,
the peace we've searched to find;
The hope that we have hungered for,
the joy that's joy divine.
We bow before a manger beneath a shining star
Saying, Jesus all we need is what you are.

There's a hole the shape of heaven nothing here on earth can fill;
There's an aching deep inside us we are restless until,
We realize the reason for the hollow in our hearts;
Jesus all we need is what you are.

Chorus

At last our souls are satisfied, our deepest needs, Jesus you provide.

Chorus

THE CHRISTMAS GIFT

'Tis the gift of a Savior, 'tis the Gift of God's love who came to us from heav'n above.

The Promised Messiah born in Bethlehem's stall came to free His own as the Lord of all.

Sing, sing a simple song of cheer;

a Christmas gift for all is here!

Sing! Sing, for this Holy One is a gift of love,

God's holy Son!

Give a gift, sing a carol, let the heart rejoice, share the news of Christ, lift up your voice, the darkness fades, there is Hope this night:

Christ is born the Lord of Light!

Gloria in excelsis Deo!!!

CARRY THE LIGHT

I will carry the light,
like a candle that shines in the night
I'll be a beacon that's burning bright,
I will carry the light.

Lux aterna, Lux aterna
the light inside of me
Lux aterna, Lux aterna
will shine eternally
There's a light that's inside
that I'm not gonna hide,
'cause that light will make the embers ignite
And the light that's in me will forever be,
I will carry the light.

CHRISTMAS CANON

Merry Christmas

This night, we pray our lives will show the dream he had, each child still knows.

We are waiting, we have not forgotten.
On this night, on this night, on this very Christmas night