

# *The Living Christmas Tree 2000*



**Thursday, December 14 – 7:30 p.m.**

**Friday, December 15 – 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, December 16 – 5:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, December 16 – 8:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, December 17 – \*3:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, December 17 – 7:00 p.m.**

***\*"A Tree for the Children"***

***(shortened program for younger children and their families)***



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**Welcome to the First Baptist Church's Living Christmas Tree 2000!**

We are so glad that you are here. Our Music Ministry team, Living Christmas Tree Chorus/Orchestra and helpers from across our entire church family have prepared a wonderful presentation for you. You will be touched by the beautiful music. You will be inspired by the grandeur of the tree itself! You will be welcomed by the people of this great church. But, most importantly, we hope that you will discover the peace of Christmas that is offered to you through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Our world is characterized by anything but peace. Strife and division are the norm in our culture. Our homes and our hearts are often filled with anxiety, turmoil and unrest. Peace can seem like a distant, unattainable reality. However, we have personally experienced the peace of Christ. May this Christmas season be marked by peace in your heart and home.

We welcome you to First Baptist Church tonight. We also hope to welcome you to Christ's peace.

*Merry Christmas,  
Dennis R. Wiles  
Pastor*

**A Christmas Prelude**

Carols from Instrumentalists and Handbell Ringers

Words of Welcome ..... Dennis Wiles, Pastor

Overture (*Sing We Now of Christmas*) ..... arr. David Hamilton

Improvisation on *DIVINUM MYSTERIUM* ..... Daniel Lawhon  
Dan Lawhon, Associate Minister of Music/Organist

**Carols by Candlelight**

*Comfort, Comfort Ye My People* ..... Johann Sebastian Bach

*Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming* ..... Michael Praetorius  
*Choir from aisles and balcony steps*

*Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come* (ANTIOCH) ..... Carol #87

**Joy to the world! The Lord is come;  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders and wonders of His love.**

*O Little Town of Bethlehem* (ST. LOUIS) ..... Carol #86

**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.**

Prayer ..... Billy Orton, Minister of Music and Worship

*Silent Night, Holy Night* (STILLE NACHT) ..... Carol #91

**Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round you virgin mother and child:  
Holy infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night,  
Son of God, 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.**

### ***The Living Christmas Tree***

*A Christmas Festival* ..... Leroy Anderson

*Let Us Adore Him Medley* ..... arr. David Hamilton  
Christmastime, For Unto Us A Child is Born and O Come, All Ye Faithful

**Christmas Peace** ..... Ed Culpepper, Administrative Pastor

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* ..... arr. Donald McCullough

*Rise Up, Shepherd* ..... arr. John Rutter  
Soloist- Alicia Pettis/Maxie Wells

**Surprising Peace** ..... Brian Leffel/Dana Mucci

*I Heard The Bells on Christmas Day/Dona Nobis Pacem* ..... arr. David Hamilton  
Soloist- Karen Anderson/Gaines Gravlee, Jr.

*Hark, The Herald Angels Sing* (MENDELSSOHN) ..... Carol # 88

**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 angelic hosts 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 a virgin's womb.  
 Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail th'incarnate Diety!  
 Pleas'd as man with men to dwell, Jesus our Immanuel.  
 Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."**

*Fantasia on Christmas Carols* ..... Ralph Vaughan Williams

Soloist-Tom Guffin

This Fantasia is founded on the following traditional English Carols: *The Truth Sent from Above* (HEREFORDSHIRE) words and tune, *Come All You Worthy Gentlemen* (SOMERSET) words and tune, *On Christmas Night* (SUSSEX) words and tune, and *There is a Fountain* (HEREFORDSHIRE) tune only, together with fragments of other well known carol tunes.

**Promised Peace** ..... Harold and Julie Stephens/Robert Jones and Rebekah Roberts

*The Virgin's Slumber Song* ..... Max Reger

Suzanne Hefner, soloist (Thursday, Saturday at 5:00 p.m., Sunday)

*Cantique de Noel* ..... Adolphe Adam

Alison Hoskins, soloist (Friday evening, Saturday at 8:00 p.m.)

*This Christmastide* ..... Donald Fraser

**Eternal Peace** ..... Ed Culpepper

*The Holy City* ..... Stephen Adams/arr. Camp Kirkland

*Hallelujah* (from *Messiah*) ..... George Frederic Handel

*A Gaelic Blessing* ..... John Rutter

Benedictory Prayer ..... Dennis Wiles, Pastor

### ***A Christmas Postlude***

*In Dulci Jubilo* ..... Johann Sebastian Bach

#### **2001**

The First Baptist Church Music Ministry continues with exciting special projects in the year ahead. Consider your own involvement in these choir/orchestra ministries:

January, 2001

*The Festival of Christian Unity*

April, 2001

*Easter Presentations*

June, 2001

*An American Celebration*

# THE LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE MUSICIANS

## CHORUS

### Soprano 1

Karen Anderson  
Diane Ballard  
Darlene Berry  
Beth Bice  
Martha Boothe  
Bertie Bramm  
Jane Broome  
Jaqualyn Burton  
Nancy Campbell  
Janet Cashion  
Linda Causey  
Jamie Clay  
Janet Crawford  
Mary Dohman  
Mary Louise Donahoo  
Kristy Dunn  
Tanya Dutton  
Elisa Fairless  
Rosalyun Fairless  
Kelley Gattis  
Marilyn Gill  
Marilyn Guffin  
Suzanne Hefner  
Emily Hoppe  
Lea Hoppe  
Alison Hoskins  
Meredith Hulsey  
Frances F. Jones  
Kathy Lane  
Ann Lee  
Sue Mahmoud  
Mollianne Massey

Lois Matthews  
Sue McElyea  
Mickey Murphy  
Hwasook Park  
Alicia Pettis  
Paula Proctor  
Mary Reavis  
Anne Stone  
Donna Thornton  
Alice Tranter  
Ann Vines  
Maxie Wells  
Kennie Worlund

### Soprano 2

Cindy Aulds  
Ellen Bailes  
Johnnie Barnes  
Lisa Belk  
Kimberly Collette  
Polly Crawford  
Charlotte Davis  
Lisa Felder  
Betty Fine  
Becky Foshee  
Michele Futch  
JoAnn Hadaway  
Ann Jones  
Jennifer Matthews  
Betty Patterson  
Dottie Richardson  
Gwen Smock  
Lisa J. Wilson

### Alto

Patty Atherton  
Missy Aulds  
Sylvia Bailey  
Carol Belk  
B.J. Boyanton  
Gloria Branch  
Carol Brigance  
Janet Creech  
Sherron Culpepper  
Patricia Culpepper  
Faye Davis  
Bonnie Edmondson  
Kelli Ellison  
Gina Flynn  
LeAnne Fowler  
Beth Harris  
Sheila Hulsey  
Heather Jones  
Laura Jones  
Clara Miles  
Nancy Moore  
Joy Moore  
Nancy Morton  
Marti Norton  
Jane Orton  
Alison Palmiter  
Billie Perkins  
Pat Perry  
Rebecca Pickle  
Bonnie Pimm  
Mary Roeder  
Jennifer Rice

Jewel Rushing  
Edith Schmitt  
Angela Seanor  
Lynda Staggs  
Martha Stogner  
Betty Thurstone  
Lousie Walker  
Fran Wilson  
Karen Wojcik  
Joyce Zackie

### Tenor

Richard Claus  
Howard Culpepper  
Wiley Davis  
Greg Ellison  
Steve Foshee  
Mike Kirk  
James Love  
Wayne Owen  
Ed Perkins  
Jeremy Rice  
Gerald Roberts  
Warren Schmitt  
Leon Stallcup  
William Stone  
Larry Worley  
Len Worlund

### Bass

Don Aulds  
George Barnes  
Randall Belk

Britt Blankenship  
Glenn Brown, Jr.  
Wilton Causey  
Gary Chambers  
Ben Darby  
Jim Davis  
Dean Estill  
Andrew Fairless  
Gaines Gravlee, Jr.  
Tom Guffin  
Bill Hadaway  
Roy Henderson  
Ron Hulsey  
Rodger Keene  
Dan Leak  
Ron Martin  
David McDaniel  
Dave McKenzie  
Dru Murphree  
Russ Pimm  
Rad Reavis  
Bill Renfro  
Lee Rhoads  
Bob Smith  
Jim Splawn  
Borton Tranter  
Jeff Vaughn  
Joe Zimmerman

## ORCHESTRA

### Violin

†Penny Adair,  
Concert Master  
†Amy Blackwell  
Pat Cassidy  
†Leona Cortruvo  
†Laura Elrod  
†Frank Garcia  
†Joyce Green  
†Gretchen Perry

### Viola

†Rodena Branch  
†Renee Collins  
†Delores Peck  
†Rono Prince

### Cello

†Charles Drake  
†Marilyn Rue

### Bass

†Stanley Dalizu

### Flute

Jana Clark  
\*Leighanne Dauro  
Emily DePlachett  
Thomas Dubanchet  
Amy Helser  
Lauren Moore

### Oboe

†Gary Parks

### Clarinet

Bianca Cox  
Kristen Hubbard  
Tiffeny Hubbard  
\*David Hoppe  
Robert Williams

### Bassoon

Susan Keene

### Alto Sax

Christy Covington  
Dale Hutchens  
Simon Yoo

### Tenor Sax

David Field

### French Horn

Carla Blankenship  
Alisa Dauro  
Robert Jones  
Susan Williams  
\*Suzy Young

### Trumpet

Adam Dauro  
Joyce Ellett  
Dale Proctor  
EC Richardson  
\*Werner Smock  
John Stice

### Trombone

Kevin Bounds  
Lewis Harmon  
†Danny Hutson  
\*Alan Jones  
Paul Zubrod

### Euphonium

Susan Field  
Emily Parker

### Tuba

Ben Darby  
Vince Dauro

### Percussion

†Eric Corbett  
Ken Smith

### Harp

Kathryn Hoppe

### Keyboard/Piano

Lisa Felder

### Piano/Organ

Dan Lawhon

†Guest Musician

\*Section Leader

## HANDBELL CHOIR

Jane Orton  
Bob Youmans  
Milissa Hastings  
Alison Hoskins

Rickie Moon  
Lori Kegley  
Laura Roberts  
Nanette O'Dell  
Angela Seanor

Myrna Boyd  
Lea Hoppe  
Mary Ann Moon  
Janet Creech

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#### **Engineering**

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#### **Tree Construction**

Gordon Perry  
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Prissy Yell  
Brenda Bounds  
Susan Keene  
Mary Dean Keyes

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Dan Lawhon, Associate Minister of Music/Organist  
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Laura Roberts, Music Ministry Secretary  
Carol Belk, LCT Assistant  
B.J. Storey, Ministry Apprentice

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**Join us for Christmas Eve Candlelight Lord's Supper Services at 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.**



*The First Baptist Church Television Ministry will present videotaped portions of The Living Christmas Tree 2000 on December 25, at 6:30 p.m. on WHNT TV-19*