

Choristers' Evening Prelude
May 31, 2026
5:15 pm

Father, I Adore You

Terrye Coelho

Father, (Jesus, Spirit), I adore you, lay my life before you,
How I love you.

Arky, Arky

Author unknown

With an introduction of the children

The Lord told Noah, there's gonna be a floody.
Get those animals out of the muddy,
Children of the Lord.

So, rise and shine and give God the glory,
Children of the Lord.

The Lord told Noah to build him an arky,
Build it out of gopher barky,
Children of the Lord.

The animals, they came in by twosies,
Elephants and kangaroosies,
Children of the Lord.

It rained and poured for forty daysies,
Almost drove those animals crazies,
Children of the Lord.

The sun came out, and dried up the landy,
Everything was fine and dandy,
Children of the Lord.

I Belong to Jesus

M. Fraser/M.A. Sea

I belong to Jesus, I am not my own,
All I have and all I am, Shall be His alone.

I belong to Jesus, He is Lord and King,
Reigning in my inmost heart, Over everything.

I belong to Jesus, What can hurt or harm,
When He folds around my soul His almighty arm?
I belong to Jesus, Blessed, blessed thought,
With His own most precious blood Has my soul been bought.

Christ Created Light

John Wykoff

When the world was dark, When the dark was deep
Deep and dark as night Christ created light.

When my heart was dark, When the dark was deep
Deep and dark as night Christ became my light.

In the final day, everlasting day
Where there is no night Christ will be the light.

Let All Things Now Living

Katherine K. Davis

Let all things now living A song of thanksgiving
To God the creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, Protected and stayed us,
Who guideth us on to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us, His light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished And darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light!

His law He enforces, the stars in their courses,
The sun in his orbit obediently shine,
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim Him divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise,
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

The Not-So-Boring Minuet **J.S. Bach, arr. by P.A. Wolfe**

We are supposed to sing this song.
I hope it doesn't last too long!
If you think it's boring, please refrain from snoring;
Remember that it's culture.
Culture is something good for you,
Like liver, spinach, and beets, too.
So while we are screaming, you should not be dreaming;
Please stay awake!

The reputation for sleep sensation's an exaggeration
We have been told.
It's not too bad for a song that's three hundred year old!
What's going on? Did someone yawn?
Has the whole row begun to doze?
Please be nice to songs classic'lly composed!

If you slept in the rain you'd get all wet,
Doo-dah, doo-dah,
So, why sleep through our minuet?
O doo-dah day! Hey!

This is Bach, too. A minor minuet,
You will not forget, when we are through.
Notice how sad, I'll bet when we are through,
Everyone of you will be glad!

We hope that you have learned a bit;
Classics are for the fun of it!
If you found it boring, thank you for not snoring;
Now it's time to quit!

A Two-Part Alleluia

Alleluia!

Jay Althouse

Bear to the Left**Author unknown**

Travelin' travelin' on I bumped into my friend John.

I said, "Hey, John, which way should I go?"

He said, "follow the animals, they all know..."

You got to bear to the left. Try it!

But something was lacking, so I went back, and he said,

"Oh yeah...I forgot."

You got to bear to the left, snake to the right. Try it!

But something was lacking, so I went back, and he said,

"Oh yeah...I forgot."

You got to bear to the left, snake to the right, weasel on down
and duck out of sight. Try it!

But something was lacking, so I went back, and he said,

"Oh yeah...I forgot."

You got to bear to the left, snake to the right, weasel on down
And duck out of sight. Horse around, flounder about. Try it!

But something was lacking, so I went back, and he said,

"Oh yeah...I forgot."

You got to bear to the left, snake to the right, weasel on down
And duck out of sight. Horse around, flounder about.

Worm your way in and Bug out!

I steered straight home, yakked on the phone, wolfed down my
dinner an said, 'so long!' Dub-ba-dub dub bop bop bop.

The Holy Books**Jim Ward**

**Any alumni who wish are invited to come up
and perform with us!**

Give Me Oil in My Lamp**Author Unknown**

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning 'til the break of day.

Sing "Hosanna" to the King!

Behold, What Manner of Love**I Jn 3:1/ P.v. Tine**

Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us,

That we should be called the sons of God.

Praise Thy Holy Name

P. Demerle/E. Humperdinck

Arr. L. Grant

With

Evening Prayer

Englebert Humperdinck

Lord of Light shine in our hearts,
As thy love more strength imparts,
Teach us all thy gracious will,
While thy purpose we fulfill,
Show the pathway we should go
When we journey on our road.
Shower thy love upon us now,
With thy peace our hearts endow,
Keep us ever free from blame,
Let us always praise thy Holy Name.

When at night I go to sleep, Fourteen angels watch do keep,
Two my head are guarding, Two my feet are guiding,
Two are on my right hand, Two are on my left hand,
Two who warmly cover, Two who o'er me hover,
Two to whom is given To guide my steps to heaven.

God So Loved the World

J. Stainer/arr. C. McClure

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,
That who so believeth in Him should not perish,
But have everlasting life.

Thank you, Everyone, for coming!