

The 51st Annual
Christmas Concert
of the
Carey Ecumenical Choir



Sunday, December 14, 2025
4:00 PM

Basilica & National Shrine of
Our Lady of Consolation
315 Clay Street • Carey, Ohio • 43316



Our Program

*As a courtesy to everyone present, please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.
We kindly ask that you hold your applause until the end of the concert.*

Prelude Music

Beginning at approximately 3:45

Enjoy Advent and Christmas selections for Brass Quintet, Cello, and Piano

Welcome & Opening Prayer

*Very Rev. Thomas Merrill, OFM Conv.,
Rector and Pastor of the Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation*

Advent Introit

David W. Music

Prepare!

Joseph M. Martin

Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Read by ??????

Lo, How a Rose

arr. Deborah Govenor

Will We Know Him?

Nancy Price & Don Besig

O Come, Emmanuel

Elanie Hagenberg

Lydia Butterfield, cello

Reading from the Gospel according to Luke

Read by ??????

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Dennis Hart Dewey

Offertory

O Little Town of Bethlehem
arr. Ricky & Julie Valadez

Lydia Butterfield, cello

Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Read by ??????

Go Tell it on the Mountain

arr. Philip Kern

Mack Gerschutz, soloist

Mid-winter

Bob Chilcott

*Sopranos & Altos of the Choir
Amy Erickson & Teresa Shumaker Logsdon, soloists*

The First Noël/Pachelbel's Canon

arr. Michael Clawson

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

arr. Philip Kern

Tenors & Basses of the Choir

Reading from the Gospel of John

Read by ??????

O Nata Lux

Douglas Byler

O nata lux de lumine
Jesu redemptor saeculi
dignare clemens supplicum
laudes preces que sumere.

*O Light born of Light,
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
mercifully deign to accept the praises
and prayers of your suppliants.*

Qui carne quondam contegi
dignatus es pro perditis.
Nos membra confer effici
tui beati corporis.

*O you who once deigned to be hidden in flesh
on behalf of the lost,
grant us to be made members
of your blessed body.*

O Holy Night

arr. René Clausen

Benediction & Closing Prayer

O Come, All Ye Faithful

arr. Christopher Dedrick

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant; O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the King of angels. O come, let us adore Him.
O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

*Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation; sing all ye citizens of heav'n above.
Glory to God, in the highest glory. O come, let us adore Him.
O come, let us adore Him. O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

Thank You & Acknowledgments

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Christ Lutheran Church in Carey for providing our rehearsal space
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Rosary Altar Society for decorating the basilica & hosting the reception in the cafeteria
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Lora Kane for opening the OLC Gift Shop for extended hours today

**All are welcome to come to the Shrine Cafeteria for a reception following the concert.
May all of you have a wonderful remainder of Advent and a blessed Christmas season!**

Mark your calendars for the 52nd Annual Concert on December 13, 2026!

2025 Carey Ecumenical Choir



Anthony Gallina, Director
Ryan Neal, Accompanist
Kate O'Reilly, Rehearsal Assistant



ALVADA

Lindsay Orians

BASCOM

Alicia Swartzmiller

BELLEVUE

Chris Walter

CAREY

Janeen Boutwell

Patricia Hoover

Teresa Shumaker

Logsdon

Carol McCarley

Patricia Niederkohr

Kate O'Reilly

Deb Pergram-Walter

Karen Phillips

Lois Risner

Linda Steen

CAREY (CONT.)

Daniel Walter

Pamela Ward

FINDLAY

Stephen Christiansen

Ryan Neal

Grace Osborne

Vicki Reineck

FOREST

Dave Hunsaker

FORT JENNINGS

Patty Ricker

FOSTORIA

Kevin Hammer

Susan Thompson

Dave Yost

KANSAS

Anthony Gallina

LIMA

Fred Ryan

MARION

Amy Erickson

MCCOMB

Heather Routson

MT. BLANCHARD

Karen Beard

NEW RIEGEL

Diana Bouillon

Mack Gerschutz

NEW WASHINGTON

Audrey Stockmaster

OTTAWA

Bobbi Parker

TIFFIN

Rachel Herron

Neil Jordan

Sr. Mary Patricia Miller

Sue Pfaff

Laura Quickle

Regina Runion

UPPER SANDUSKY

Ronald Arbogast

Charlene Beeler

Lynda Capelle

WHARTON

Susan McClain

Terry McClain

VANLUE

Freddi Kear

Instrumentalists



TRUMPET

CJ Brincefield

Tad Day

HORN

Richard Haar

TROMBONE

Ben Herrick

TUBA

Katie Ferren

CELLO

Lydia Butterfield



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Mack Gerschutz

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