

The Students of Linden Corner School

Present

# The Feast of Stephen

A Celebration of the Winter Solstice



Friday, December 8, 2006 at 7 p.m.

Trinity Presbyterian Church Sanctuary  
Nashville, Tennessee

## Linden Corner School Treble Chorus

Ryan Beahm	Jack Duke	Shaan Merchant
Mac Bentley	Andrew Forbes	Haley Morrill
Maggie Bentley	Tucker Forehand	Liam Neff
Bernadette Bishop	Rachel Fowke	Riley Palmer
Emily Bridgers	Sophie Gottlieb	Gus Pearson
Hanna Burr	Brenner Jennings	Nikita Raheja
Addie Carroll	John Hileman	Hannah Silverman
Catherine Colbran	Sequoia Kanies	Zeke Starr
Savannah Crow	Witne Kice-Lind	Emily Stewart
Anthony Day	Julia Kimbrough	Rachel Van Zen
Clara DeHart	Emma Kingsbury	Anwen Wilkerson
Corbitt Dicker	Carter Maggipinto	Isaac Williams
Thalia Dudek	Tatum McGowin	

## Linden Corner School Concert Chorus

<i>Soprano</i>	<i>Alto</i>	<i>Tenor</i>
Molly Campbell	Katy Armstrong	Armon Amirmadhi
Sophie Campbell	Andrew Bridgers	Holden Bitner
Hannah Dean	Adrianna Duke	Evan Bundy
Hannah Doyle	Aiden Holley	Gus Carroll
Oona Doyle	Miro Hurdle	Alex Cinelli
Amanda Howell	Karina McGowin	Chappy Hull
Lilly Olney	Jesse McNutt	River Kanies
Alexis Pearson	Jaisal Merchant	Joshua Kutsko
Sasha Reed	Lucy Nuzum	Kai Mote
Madeleine Seage	Jonelle Palmer	Michael Ross
Louisa Silverman	Minka Reed	Abe Scott
Emma Smith	Gabe Scott	
	Zoë Zuberer-Davis	

'The Feast of Stephen' script by Walter Bitner

'Linden Corner School Mummers Play' compiled by Walter Bitner from traditional sources and from an original play by Walter Bitner & Jody Kruskal

'The Feast of Stephen' is inspired by the life and work of the late John Langstaff (1920-2005) and Revels, his legacy

The cast will assemble in the Fellowship Hall for approximately five minutes following the performance.

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Prelude the Wenceslas Winds

## Combined Choruses

Processional: **Personent Hodie**

*Piae Cantiones, 1582/ German, 1360*

*Accompanied by His Majesty's String Quartet and the Wenceslas Winds*

## Treble Chorus

**Little Jack Horner**

*traditional English canon*

**A New Year Carol**

*Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)*

*from 'Friday Afternoons', Op. 7*

**Good King Wenceslas**

*J.M. Neale (1818-1866)/ Piae Cantiones*

*Accompanied by His Majesty's String Quartet and the Wenceslas Winds*

Please join us in singing this beloved carol!

1. Good King Wenceslas looked out,  
On the Feast of Stephen,  
When the snow lay round about,  
Deep, and crisp, and even:  
Brightly shone the moon that night,  
Though the frost was cruel,  
When a poor man came in sight,  
Gath'ring winter fuel.

*continued*

2. 'Hither, page, and stand by me,  
 If though know'st it, telling,  
 Yonder peasant, who is he?  
 Where and what his dwelling?'  
 'Sire, he lives a good league hence,  
 Underneath the mountain,  
 Right against the forest fence,  
 By Saint Agnes' fountain.'
3. 'Bring me flesh, and bring me wine.  
 Bring me pine logs hither:  
 Thou and I shall see him dine,  
 When we bear them thither.'  
 Page and monarch forth they went,  
 Forth they went together;  
 Through the rude wind's wild lament  
 And the bitter weather.

4. 'Sire the night is darker now,  
 And the wind blows stronger;  
 Fails my heart I know not how;  
 I can go no longer.'  
 'Mark my footsteps, good my page;  
 Tread thou in them boldly:  
 Thou shalt find the winter's rage  
 Freeze thy blood less coldly.'

5. In his master's steps he trod,  
 Where the snow lay dinted;  
 Heat was in the very sod  
 Which the saint had printed.  
 Therefore, all good folk, be sure,  
 Wealth or rank possessing,  
 Ye who now will bless the poor,  
 Shall yourselves find blessing.

**Gloucestershire Wassail** *collected by R. Vaughan Williams*  
*traditional English carol*  
*Accompanied by His Majesty's String Quartet & The Royal Recorder Quartet*

### Interval

**Shrewsbury Lasses** *English Country Dance tune*  
*with fiddlers Andrew Bridgers & Joshua Kutsko*

## Concert Chorus

**Boar's Head Carol** *Queen's College, Oxford*  
*The tradition of the presentation of the boar's head on Christmas Day has continued*  
*uninterruptedly at Queen's College since the mid-14<sup>th</sup> century*

**Hush, My Babe** *arr. Cynthia Gray*  
*Isaac Watts (1674-1748)/Kentucky Carol*

**Mon Coeur se Recommande à Vous** *arr. Earlene Rentz*  
 (My Heart Now Gives Itself to You)  
*Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)*

**Ose Shalom** *Traditional Hebrew Text*  
 (The One Who Makes Peace) *Music by John Leavitt*  
*with Oona Doyle & Joshua Kutsko, violins*  
*Holden Bitner, cello*

**Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind** *from 'As You Like It'*  
*William Shakespeare (1564-1616)/Walter Bitner*

**Ríu, Ríu, Chíu** *arr. Linda Spevacek*  
*Anonymous Spanish Carol (1556)*

## Linden Corner School Mummers

*The traditional English folk play celebrates fertility, death, & rebirth*

## Grade 8 Girls Morris Team

**Lads-A-Bunch'em**  
*A traditional English morris dance from the village of Adderbury*

**The Shortest Day**  
*A poem about the tradition of celebrating the Winter Solstice*  
*written by noted author Susan Cooper in 1977*

## Combined Choruses

Recessional: **Masters in This Hall**  
*traditional French carol*

**END.**

## His Majesty's Royal Musicians

### The Wenceslas Winds (Grades 7 & 8 Wind Ensemble)

Alex Cinelli, 'trombonium' & cello  
Adrianna Duke, flute  
Aiden Holley, flute & recorder  
Amanda Howell, clarinet  
Abe Scott, clarinet  
Zoë Zuberer-Davis, trumpet  
Avery Ewing, euphonium & director

### His Majesty's String Quartet

Molly Campbell & Oona Doyle, violins  
Lilly Olney, viola & Holden Bitner, cello

### The Royal Recorder Quartet

Evan Bundy, Aiden Holly, Chappy Hull, & Joshua Kutsko

with

Andrew Bridgers, violin  
Joshua Kutsko, violin  
Gabe Scott, double bass



## Cast

(in order of appearance)

Lords & Ladies of the Court	Concert Chorus
Wassailers	Treble Chorus
Fool	Madeleine Seage
Page	Miro Hurdle
Good King Wenceslas	Kai Mote
Knight #1	Emma Smith
Knight #2	Jesse McNutt
Squire	Michael Ross
Knight #3	Andrew Bridgers

## Linden Corner School Mummers

Father Christmas	Alex Cinelli
Johnny Jack	Aiden Holley
Hobby Horse	Evan Bundy
Dragon	Holden Bitner
Saint George	Joshua Kutsko
Doctor	Chappy Hull
Lady #1	Alexis Pearson
Lady #2	Hannah Dean
Lady #3	Sophie Campbell

## Grade 8 Girls Morris Team

Katy Armstrong  
Molly Campbell\*  
Oona Doyle\*  
Adrianna Duke  
Karina McGowin  
Lilly Olney  
Louisa Silverman

Walter Bitner, squire

\*team musicians

## The Feast of Stephen Production Staff

<b>Director</b>	Walter Bitner
<b>Wardrobe &amp; Stage Properties</b>	Sheila Elamri-Brantley
<b>Grades 7 &amp; 8 Wind Ensemble</b>	Avery Ewing
<b>Stage Manager</b>	Lynn Harroff
<b>House Manager</b>	Charlie Bundy
<b>Morris Team Kit</b>	Gine Olney
<b>Treble Chorus Assistance</b>	Ching Li Wang
<b>Wardrobe Assistance</b>	Rebecca Bell
	Fernanda Fontela
	Gine Olney
<b>Chaperones</b>	Elden Bale & Stacey Bentley
<b>Kitchen Staff</b>	Fernanda Fontela
<b>(Boar's Head Production)</b>	Rebecca Way & Grade 7
	Elden Bale
<b>Make Up</b>	Mary Beth Felts
<b>Make Up Assistance</b>	Hannah Seage
	Sophia Seage

Special Thanks to our faculty, parents, and administration, whose support and assistance make possible not only this evening but so many other performing arts events at Linden Corner School.

### Linden Corner School Music Faculty

Walter Bitner	Director
Jocelyn Sprouse	Strings & Lower School Music
Avery Ewing	Wind Ensembles
Kirsten Cassel	Assistant Instructor, Cello

Upcoming Events: Please join us for

### Grades 7 & 8 String Orchestra Winter Concert

Friday, December 15 at 8:35 am



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