

Welcome Yule

a Midwinter Celebration

☆ Saturday, December 16 at 8:00 p.m.

admission \$4⁰⁰

☆ Unitarian Meetinghouse, 121 N. Pleasant, Amherst

1989



Part One

"And to begin to Welcome Yule
with mirth now let us sing!"

A Seasonal Medley RICH, BOB, CARL, GEORGE

The Praise of Christmas SUSAN, DALE

The Shortest Day BART

Yule Log Procession ALL

(TOUCH THE YULE LOG WITH A HOLLY LEAF AND MAKE A WISH FOR THE NEW YEAR!)

The Holly & the Ivy BOB

(THESE EVERGREENS ARE SYMBOLIC OF ETERNAL LIFE)

Sim, Sim CHILDREN

(HEBREW ROUND: "GIVE US PEACE, GOODNESS, & BLESSING")

Children Go Where I Send Thee DEBORAH

(AN AMERICAN VERSION OF THE TWELVE DAYS THEME)

Pipe Tunes DAVID

John Barleycorn WAKE ROBIN MORRIS

St. George & the Firey Dragon

(MUMMING IS AN ANCIENT ENGLISH TRADITION MARKING THE TRIUMPH OF LIFE OVER DEATH)

Gloucestershire Wassail CHORUS

("WASSAIL" IS A SALUTATION TO "BE WHOLE". IN THIS VERSION, WE TOAST
A SUCCESSION OF HORSES & COWS.)

Part Two

"Joy, health, love and peace
be all here in this place."

Star in the East CHORUS

(AN AMERICAN SACRED HARP HYMN)

the Greatham Sword Dance

More Pipe Tunes DAVID

Dobar Vecer SUSAN, SALLY, ROBIN, ROSE

(A CROATION CHRISTMAS SONG OF WELCOME)

Song of Babushka SUSAN

Tale of Babushka ROSE

(BABUSHKA IS THE TRADITIONAL RUSSIAN YULETIDE GIFT GIVER)

The King CHORUS

(THE KING IN THIS SONG IS ACTUALLY THE WREN, THE KING OF ALL BIRDS.
IN SEVERAL PARTS OF THE BRITISH ISLES, THE WREN IS HUNTED AND KILLED
ON ST. STEPHEN'S DAY, DEC. 26. THE SACRIFICE OF A KING WAS AN IMPORTANT
PART OF THE RITUALS SURROUNDING THE DEATH/RE-BIRTH CYCLE OF THE WINTER SOLSTICE.)

Julian of Norwich CHILDREN

(IN THE 14TH CENTURY, JULIAN SHARED WITH MANY HER VISION OF HOPE [WORDS: S. CARTER])

Lord of the Dance ROSE

(WORDS BY SYDNEY CARTER, TUNE - OLD SHAKER HYMN
THIS SONG TRACES THE BIRTH/DEATH/REBIRTH CYCLE OF ANOTHER KING.)

The Musicians

DAVID de la BARRE - SCOTTISH SMALLPIPE, WHISTLE, SPOONS, RECORDER
BOB DOUCET - MELODEON, GUITAR
CARL SCHATZ - ELECTRIC BASS, GUITAR
GEORGE REYNOLDS - FIDDLE
RICH MORSE - CONCERTINA

The Chorus

BART BALES, DEBORAH CAMPBELL, DAVID de la BARRE, BOB DOUCET,
ANDREA OSGOOD, SALLY SHAW, ROSE SHEEHAN, DALE GARDENER-FOX
ANDREA TARR, SUSAN WATERS, RANDY WINNIE, ROBIN YEAZELL

Children's Chorus

EMILY ABBEY, CAITLIN BERNHARD, SILVANA BIALOSIEWICZ, ADAM CAMPBELL-STRAUSS,
KATE GOMBERG, MATT GOMBERG, EUGENIA LAMET, REBECCA LAMET, JOY MAC CAHON,
JOEY MAC KENZIE, GREG ROSS, JESSI ROSS, KATIE ROSS, KEVIN SOUSA, JENNIFER SOU,
CARRIE STONE

Wake Robin Morris

DALE GARDENER-FOX, ANDREA OSGOOD, ANDREA TARR, ROBIN YEAZELL,
RISA SUDOLSKI, AMY BREWER

Swift River Long Sword

JUDY GATLAND, ROBIN HAYDEN, BECKY HOLLINGSWORTH, ANN PEARCE, MEG RYAN,
SUSIE SECCO, ERIC SMITH, ELLIE THOMAS



CHILDREN, GO WHERE I SEND THEE

Leader: Children, go where I send thee,
Chorus: How shall I send thee?
Leader: I'm gonna send thee one by one,
One for the little bitty baby,
Chorus: Was born, born, born in Bethlehem.

Leader: Children, go where I send thee,
Chorus: How shall I send thee?
Leader: I'm gonna send thee two by two
Two for Paul and Silas
Chorus: One for the little bitty baby
Was born, born, born in Bethlehem.

.....Three for the Hebrew Children.
.....Four for the four that stood at the door.
.....Five for the gospel preachers.
.....Six for the six that never got fixed.
.....Seven for the seven that never got to heaven.
.....Eight for the eight that stood at the gate.
.....Nine for the nine who looked so fine.
.....Ten for the ten commandments.
.....Eleven for the eleven deriders.
.....Twelve for the twelve Apostles.

JULIAN OF NORWICH

Chorus: Sing out bells of Norwich
And let the winter come and go
All shall be well again I know.

LORD OF THE DANCE

Chorus: Dance, dance wherever you may be
I am the Lord of the dance, said He.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said He.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE WASSAIL

Chorus: Drink to thee, drink to thee,
With a wassailing bowl we'll drink to thee.

YULE LOG SONG

God bless the master of this house
And all that are a there-o
To begin to welcome Yule
With mirth, now let us sing-o

Chorus: With Hal-an-tow sing merry-o
With Hal-an-tow sing merry
With Hal-an-tow sing merry-o
With Hal-an-tow sing merry

Come bring with a noise my merry, merry boys
The Christmas log to the firing.
While my good Dame bids you be free
And drink to your heart's desiring.

So now is come our joyful feast
Let everyone be jolly.
Each room with ivy leaves be dressed
And every post with Holly.

THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

Chorus: The rising of the sun,
The running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ,
Sweet singing all in the choir.