

Musical Director Christine Gwynn

Soprano

Debs Allen-Morgan, Jane Atkinson, Lily Hayhurst, Michèle Marshall, Catherine Reeve, Jean Rose

Alto

Audrey Cassidy, Sarah Cuff, Lucy Elwell, Sue Hirst, Emma Norton, Sophie Richards

Tenor

Martin Atkinson, Alan Flower, Martin Mason

Bas.

Peter Brisley, Martin Clarke, Steven Clews, John Cockcroft, Peter Quintrell



Writtle Singers is a friendly chamber choir with a reputation for high quality, imaginative performances. We rehearse at All Saints' Church, Writtle on Monday evenings. We perform four regular concerts each season as well as touring, CD recording and private engagements. We are always pleased to hear from prospective new members – contact us via email or ring 01708 688572.

Friends of Writtle Singers

We are most grateful to our Friends, listed below, for their continuing support of Writtle Singers.

Glyn & John Buckmaster, Pamela Butt, Keith Byatt, Alistair Fiddes, Heather Gwynn, Jenny Haxell, Brian Marsh, Vera Mason, Graham Reeve, Pamela Rose, Paul Tarrant, Liz Tiplin

For more details of our Friends scheme, please ring John Cockcroft on 07450 532353.

Forthcoming Events from Writtle Singers

Writtle Singers Quiz Evening

Saturday 23rd February 2019 in the Writtle Christian Centre

Night Watch

Music for Vespers - and Earth Hour! Saturday 30th March 2019

Summer Concert

Saturday 6th July 2019

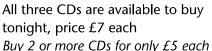
Both concerts at All Saints' Church, Writtle

Look at our website for more details www.writtlesingers.org where concert tickets can also be purchased



Writtle Singers CDs

Wroving ~ music from our travels
Wrejoice! ~ Christmas music
Wrelax ~ soothing music





For further copies of our CDs, visit our website www.writtlesingers.org

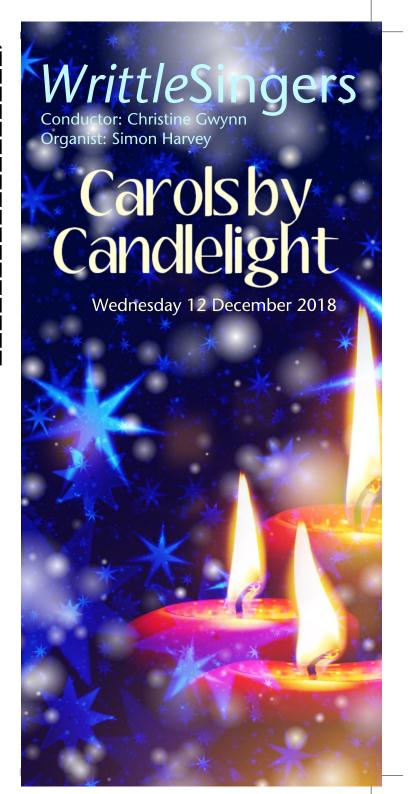
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Carols by Candlelight

Welcome...

... to Writtle Singers' 2018 Candlelit Carol Concert! We are delighted to be joined once again by organist Simon Harvey.

This year our programme of festive words and music has a strongly European flavour: an array of French carols is complemented by music from Norway, Spain, Austria, Russia and Bohemia as well as some home-grown favourites.

During the concert there will be carols for everyone to join in and the words for these will be on the screen at the front. If you would prefer to use a large print version of the words, there are a few available at the door - please just ask.

Seasonal refreshments will be served after the concert and you are warmly invited to partake and enjoy the atmosphere a little longer before setting off into the night. If you'd like to take the Writtle sound home with you (or share it with others – secret Santa solved?), look out for our CDs that will be on sale.

Warmest wishes for a very happy Christmas and a healthy and peaceful New Year!



Acknowledgements

We are grateful once again to the clergy and churchwardens of All Saints, Writtle for allowing us to rehearse and perform in this lovely church.

~ PROGRAMME ~

Ding dong! merrily on high

16th century French tune, harm. Charles Wood

The Angels and the Shepherds

Bohemian traditional arr. C H Trevor

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

English trad. arr. Vaughan Williams

Minstrel's Song
Ted Hughes

Come leave your sheep

French traditional arr. | Rutter

Nowell, sing nowell

French traditional arr. J Rutter

WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS BY NIGHT

Este's Psalter, 1592

Going Carol Barking from Cider with Rosie

Laurie Lee

Organ solo

Offertoire sur un Noël Breton

César Franck

Entre le bœuf et l'âne gris

French traditional

Cradled all lowly

French traditional arr. Paul Trepte

The Shepherd's Tale

James Kirkup from the French of Raoul Ponchon

SILENT NIGHT

Franz Gruber

Quelle est cette odeur agréable?

French traditional arr. D Willcocks

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

English trad adapted Sullivan / D Willcocks

Caspar from Walking Backwards to Christmas
Stephen Cottrell

The Infant King

Basque Noël arr. D Willcocks

Patapan

Burgundian tune arr. R Jacques

Piano duet

Troika from Lieutenant Kijé

Prokofieff

Wintertide

Norwegian traditional arr. Ola Gjeilo

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

18th century arr. D Willcocks

Célébrons la naissance

French traditional arr. Paul Trepte

Please join us after the concert for seasonal refreshments at the back of the church