



# *We Need a Little Christmas*

## BELLS OF THE BLUFFS



**We Need a Little Christmas - by Jerry Herman, Arr. Ron Mallory**

**Carol of the Bells - by Mykola Leontovych, Arr. Alex Guebert**

**Believe from The Polar Express - Words and Music by Alan  
Silvestri and Glen Ballard, Arr. Sandra Eithun**

**Snowfall - by Robyn Keyport**

**Sleigh Ride - by LeRoy Anderson, Arr. by Martha Lynn Thompson**

**Dash Through the Snow in 7/8 Time - by James L. Pierpoint,  
Arr. Kevin Stewart**

**Jingle Bells (sing-along)**

**++Free Will Offering and Q&A++**

**Carol of the Drum - Czech Carol Melody, Arr. Michael Glasgow**

**Breath of Heaven -by Chris Eaton, & Amy Grant, Arr. Joel Raney**

**Joy to the World (sing-along)**

**Angels We Have Heard on High - Traditional French Carol,  
Arr. Michael Glasgow**

**Angels We Have Heard on High (Sing-along)**

**God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen - Trad. English Carol, Arr. Benjamin Tucker**

**Wizards in Winter -by Paul O'Reilly and Paul Kinkel, Arr. Hart Morris**

**We Wish You a Merry Christmas (Sing-along)**

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**Marilee Anderson**, Hastings (13) – *Artistic/Musical Director*

**Tyler Behny**, Hastings (10)

**Cynthia Clanton**, Hampton (12)

**Rebecca Bringgold Erickson**, Stillwater (4) - *Vocal*

**\*Jean Fjelsted**, Red Wing (13)

**Maria Gathje**, Hastings, (3)

**\*Robyn Keyport**, Ely (13)

**\*Joyce Koerner**, Red Wing (13)

**Jennifer Lohman**, Red Wing (7) - *Signer*

**Kayla McGrady**, Cottage Grove (2)

**Joan Northouse**, Prescott (11)

**Lee Northouse**, Prescott (9)

**\*Kathleen Olson**, Red Wing (13)

**Aaron Penn**, Rosemount (5)

**LuAnn Roiger**, Hastings (6)

**Joy Wetterlund**, Hastings (2) - *Piano*

\*Charter Members

( ) Years in ensemble

## SUPPORTING MUSICIANS

**Michael Allen** – *percussion*

**Dawna Hendricks** – *flute & piccolo*

## THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTS

**St. Luke Luthern Church**

**First Lutheran Church**

*Check out the link “Behind the Bells” on our website [bellsofthebluffs.org](http://bellsofthebluffs.org).  
for a complete program, evaluation form, and more.*

### Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow,  
in a one horse open sleigh,  
O'er the fields we go,  
Laughing all the way.  
Bells on bobtails ring,  
making spirits bright  
what fun it is to ride and sing  
a sleighng song tonight Oh!

Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells  
Jingle all the way!  
Oh what fun it is to ride in a  
one horse open sleigh!..Hey!  
Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells,  
Jingle all the way!  
Oh what fun it is to ride in a  
one horse open sleigh.

### Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her king;  
let ev'ry heart prepare him room  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature  
sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

### Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high,  
sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply,  
echoing their joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo;  
gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
which inspire your heav'nly song? *Refrain*

Come to Bethlehem and see  
him whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn king. *Refrain*

### We Wish You a Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
And a Happy New Year

Good tidings we bring to  
you are your kin  
Good tidings for Christmas  
and a Happy New Year



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1

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2

**Rate our performance.** Use the QR code below or fill out the enclosed sheet and leave it in the collection box by the entrance. (You can find pencils and pens there if you don't have one with you.) Your feedback helps us improve and continue to secure grant funding.

3

**Learn more about Bells of the Bluffs.** Scan the QR code below to see all information about this concert (Under the "Behind the Bells" tab) including our program, program notes, evaluation form and donate form. Our Spring, 2026 schedule is under "More". tab.



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