

25th Annual Christmas Concert



3:00 P.M.
December 22, 2024

Hosted by
St. John the Evangelist
Hopkinton MA

Presented by
Southeastern Massachusetts
Community Concert Band



St. John the Evangelist



Welcome to our twenty-fifth annual community celebration of Christmas and the holiday season. What seems not so long ago, a now thirty year old daughter with a baby's first Christmas this year, was proud to show off her grandmother's handmade dress to admiring folks who recognized it to be a special "Daisy Kingdom" pattern. It is special and remarkable that the band, church, and audience have shared the seasons joy, new births, covid-19, and sadness of loss together at this annual gathering.

Again we thank you for the generous donation of much needed socks and underwear, items often forgotten as needs, to Project Just Because and the families and individuals receiving services by this regional resource.

While the St. John Children's Choir is not ready to join with us this year as they are presently a work-in-progress. We wish them every success in the hope we will enjoy their contribution to this annual event next year.

We hope you enjoy this year program selections including several brand new to us that presented challenges and a bit of a contemporary twist on traditional themes.

It is our wish that the peace and tranquility of the Christmas and Hanukkah season bless you all.

"To listen seriously to music and to perform it are among our most potent ways of learning what it is to live with and before God." —Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, A Ray of Darkness

Sparkling Lights

Matt Conaways

Greensleeves

Traditional, Arranged by Alfred Reed

Dashing Through the Snow

*J.Pierpont
arranged by Richard L. Saweels*

You Better Sleigh!

Jarod Hall

A Winter's Carol

Arranged by Mark Williams

A Christmas Festival

Leroy Anderson

Not So Silent Night

arranged by Evan VanDoren

Christmas "Pop" Sing-A-Long

arranged by James Ployhar

Sleigh Ride

Leroy Anderson