



Women Composers of Organ Works Repertoire for Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Conversion of Paul and Candlemas

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Advent

Bakke, Ruth (b. 1947) – Norway –

For access to her works please contact the composer on <https://ruthbakke.com/contact/> (accessed October 1 2025)

Prelude on “Veni Emmanuel” (1997)

Toccata : Kom, Konge, Kom I Morgenglans (1997)
(A toccata for the Advent season)

Briggs, Kerensa (b. 1991) – United Kingdom –

Light in Darkness

Commissioned by Choir and Organ for the University of St Andrews 2019
Available for purchase through Kerensa’s website (accessed October 1 2025)
<https://www.kerensabriggs.co.uk/contact-1>

Curenton, Evelyn Simpson (b. 1953) – United States –

O come o come Emmanuel

MorningStar Music Publishers

Demessieux, Jeanne (1921-1968) – France –

Rorate Coeli

Appears in *Twelve Choral Preludes on Gregorian Chant Op. 8* (1947)
Summy-Birchard Edition
Alfred Publishing 1995
ISBN-10 0874876036

Dunphy, Melissa (b. 1980) – Australia/United States –

Rorate Caeli (2022)

Appears in *Gregoriana: Twelve chant-based organ pieces by contemporary women composers* (2022) compiled by Anna Lapwood
Stainer and Bell
ISMN 9790220227851

Houben, Eva-Maria (b. 1955) – Germany –

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland
Schott

Jones, Tamsin (b. 1972) – United Kingdom –

To purchase unpublished works, contact Tamsin by e-mail to tamsin at tamsinjones.co.uk OR to tamsinjonescomposer at gmail dot com

Prelude on “Veni, veni, Emmanuel” (2024)

MacDonald, Sarah (b. 1968) – Canada/United Kingdom –

Toccata on ‘Veni Emmanuel’

Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)
Compiled by Timothy Rogers
Encore Publications
ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

McDowall, Cecilia (b. 1951) – United Kingdom –

O Antiphon Sequence

Oxford University Press 2018
Catalogue No.: 9780193522947
ISBN: 9780193522947 (0193522942)

Portman, Brenda (b. 1980) – United States –

Fanfare-Toccata on WACHET AUF (2021)
Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)
Sacred Music Press

Trio on MERTON (2024)
Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)
Sacred Music Press

Triptych on HELMSLEY (2018)
Fanfare, Berceuse, Toccata
Appears in *To Hear the Angels Sing* (2020)
Sacred Music Press

Sandresky, Margaret Vardell (b. 1921) – United States –

Sleepers Wake
Appears in Margaret Vardell Sandresky: Organ Music Volume 2
Wayne Leupold Editions

Veni Emmanuel
Appears in Margaret Vardell Sandresky: Organ Music Volume 6
Wayne Leupold Editions

te Velde, Rebecca Groom (b. 1956) – United States –

Carillon on Besançon/ Carol of the Advent
Meditation on Conditor alme siderum
Recession in Personet hodie
Appears in Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Advent and Christmas (2014)
Oxford University Press
ISBN 9780193392335

Wheeler, Janet (b. 1957) – United Kingdom –

Angelus ad virginem
Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)
Compiled by Timothy Rogers
Encore Publications
ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Third Sunday of Advent

Beaulieu, Edith (b. 1961) – Canada –

Benedictus: Missa Breve no1 Opus 2 no.1 (1983)

Beaumont, Karen (b. 1965) – United States –

Benedictus: The Trinity Organ Mass (2024)

Sheet Music Plus, Digital Download

SKU: A0.1365449

Bingham, Judith (b. 1952) – United Kingdom –

Benedictus: Missa Brevis “The Road to Emmaus”

Prelude: The Road to Emmaus Voluntary: Et cognaverunt eum

Edition Peters

EP71118

Kraft Cross, Angela (b. 1958) – United States –

Benedictus: Petite messe d’orgue

Appears in *House of Love* Organ Music for Service or Recital

Fourth Sunday of Advent - Mary

Bennett, Mary-Beth (b. 1954) – United States –

Prelude on ‘Es ist Ein’ Ros’ Entsprungen’

Appears in Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Advent and Christmas (2014)

Oxford University Press

ISBN 9780193392335

Bingham, Judith (b. 1952) – United Kingdom –

Annunciation I (2000)

Edition Peters

EP71151

ISMN 9790577006505

Annunciation IV / Chorale Prelude on ‘Meine Seel’ erhebt den Herren’ (2012)

Peters EP72397

ISMN 9790577002521

Altartavla (2014)

I Maria Lacrimosa II The Living Mary III Annunciation in a Small Room IV Joseph’s Dream V Mandorla

Edition Peters

EP72575

ISMN 9790577008363

Fuchs-Delaye, Elisa (1872-?) – Switzerland –

Ave Maria Op. 21

In *In Maîtres Contemporains de l’orgue* Vol. 8 edited by Joseph Joubert

Paris: Maurice Senart & Cie. (1914)

Hyttek, Sister Theophane (1915-1992) – United States –

For more information contact School Sister of St. Francis Music Archivist: Dr. Sheri Masiakowski at

smasiakowski@sssf.org or seasonsoftheheart@wi.rr.com

Organ Suite in Honor of Mary Immaculate (1957)

SSSF Archives/McLaughlin & Reilly

Offertory for Organ on “Rejoice, O Mary, Heavenly Queen”

SSSF Archives

Kraft Cross, Angela – United States –

Mary’s Magnificat (2010, rev. 2020)

Appears in *Messianic Longings*

Organ Music for Advent and Christmas

Organ & Instruments

Harmon, Christina (b. 1944) – United States –

Lo, How A Rose E’er Blooming

16th century German carol, arr. Harmon

Two trumpets and organ

Sacred Music Publishing

Pierre, Odile – France –

Quatre Pèlerinages a la Vierge (1988)

Organ 4 hands
Alphonse Leduc AL27352
ISMN 9790046273544

Prestat, Marie (1862-1933) – France –

Offrande à la Vierge

Organ or harmonium

Available on IMSLP

[https://imslp.org/wiki/Offrande à la Vierge \(Prestat%2C Marie Josephine Claire\)](https://imslp.org/wiki/Offrande_à_la_Vierge_(Prestat%2C_Marie_Josephine_Claire)) (accessed 7 September 2022)

Christmastide

Bate, Jennifer (1944-2020) – United Kingdom –

Introduction And Variations On An Old French Carol

Novello & Co

Catalogue No.: NOV010176

Bennett, Mary-Beth (b. 1954) – United States –

Dance on “Ave virgo virginium/ Gaudeamus partier”

Appears in Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Easter and Ascension (2015)

Oxford University Press

ISBN 9780193393462

Adeste fideles

In: Jubilate, Vol. 1

Concordia

Personet Hodie

In Jubilate, Vol. 1

Concordia

Carillon on “Antioch”

Appears in Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Advent and Christmas (2014)

Oxford University Press

ISBN 9780193392335

Bersweden, Esther (b. 1996) – United Kingdom –

Interlude on ‘Away in a Manger’

Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)

Compiled by Timothy Rogers

Encore Publications

ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Bingham, Judith (b. 1952) – United Kingdom –

Christmas Past (1989 for piano, revised for organ 2012)

I. Hope II. Midnight III. The Gift IV. Christmas Past

Edition Peters

Hope EP71107

The Gift EP71136

Bösch-Schildknecht, Maja (b. 1978) – Liechtenstein -

12 Orgeltänze zu Advents- und Weihnachtsliedern – 12 Dances for Organ on Advent – and Christmas Carols

1. Macht hoch die Tür’ 2. Weil Gott in tiefster Nacht 3. Veni Emanuel 4. Wir sagen euch an

5. O du fröhliche 6. Was sich das für ä Nacht 7. O laufet ihr Hirten 8. Hört der Engel 9. Il est né

- kleine Variationen 10. Zu Betlehem 11. Zäuerli zu «Stille Nacht» 12. Singet frisch

Müller & Schade

Product No. 80.M+S 2512

Bracquemond, Marthe (1898-1973) – France –

Variations sur un Noël

Schola Cantorum

Catalogue No.: SC5182

Order No: GN441472

EAN: 9990001344580

Chrétien, Hedwige (1859-1944) – France –

Autres de la creche

Appears in *Christmas Organ Music Book 2*

Oxford University Press

Berceuse de L'Enfant Jésus

Appears in *Christmas Organ Music Book 2*

Oxford University Press

Decker, Pamela (b. 1955) – United States –

A Carol Fugue (1977)

Hinshaw Music, Inc.

On This Day, Earth Shall Ring: Five Hymn-Based Works for Advent and Christmas (2009)

I Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland II Veni, veni Emmanuel III Personent hodie IV Cranham V Antioch

Wayne Leupold Editions

Demessieux, Jeanne (1921-1968) – France –

La Nativité (1944)

Editions Delatour France

Edition No.: DLT0932

Adeste Fidelis

Appears in *Twelve Choral Preludes on Gregorian Chant Op. 8* (1947)

Summy-Birchard Edition

Alfred Publishing 1995

ISBN-10 0874876036

Hytrek, Sister Theophane (1915-1992) – United States –

For more information contact School Sister of St. Francis Music Archivist: Dr. Sheri Masiakowski at

smasiakowski@sssf.org or seasonsoftheheart@wi.rr.com

Christmas Communion Number for Organ

SSSF Archives

Johnson Manning, Sasha (b. 1963) – United Kingdom –

Berceuse on 'Quelle est cette odeur agréable?'

Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)

Compiled by Timothy Rogers

Encore Publications

ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Jones, Tamsin (b. 1972) – United Kingdom –

To purchase unpublished works, contact Tamsin by e-mail to tamsin at tamsinjones.co.uk OR to

tamsinjonescomposer at gmail dot com

Fantasia on Personent Hodie

Merula Music MM70

Chorale Prelude on Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen

Merula Music MM26

Joulain, Jeanne Angèle Desirée Yvonne (1920-2010) – France –

Noël Flamand - Flemish Christmas

Publisher: Chantraine

Item number: EC85

Kim, Marianne (b. 1972) – Korea/United States –

The Heart and Soul of Christmas

Lorenz Publishing Company

Kraft Cross, Angela – United States –

Messianic Longings

Organ Music for Advent and Christmas

Fantasia on "Personet Hodie" (2015)

Messianic Longings (2017)

Mary's Magnificat (2010, rev. 2020)

Meditation on "Silent Night" (2017)

Fantasy on an Old English Carol (2015)

Les Bergers (Pastorale)

Appears in *Tree of Life*

Organ Music for Service or Recital

Laurin, Rachel (b. 1961) – Canada –

Variations sur un Noël Lorrain Op.26 ca. 30'

Europart-Music 1995

Lawrence, May F. (ca. 1900) – United States –

Christmas Postlude

Appears in 'The Organist' Volume 24 No 5, pages 25-27

Available on IMSLP [https://imslp.org/wiki/The_Organist_\(Various\)](https://imslp.org/wiki/The_Organist_(Various)) (accessed October 1 2025)

MacDonald, Sarah (b. 1968) – Canada/United Kingdom –

Chorale Prelude on 'Solothurn' (2020)

Oxford University Press

Maxson Porter, Emily (b. 1942) – United States –

At the Manger

Fantasia on Gabriel's Message

In the Bleak Midwinter – Carol Settings

Michel-Ostertun, Christiane (b. 1964) – Germany –

Präludien Zum Weihnachtskreis (Preludes for Christmas)

Strube Verlag

STRVS3496

Moore, Undine Smith (1904-1989) – United States –

Organ Variations on Nettleton (1976)

Morning star

Mounsey, Elizabeth (1819–1905) – United Kingdom –

An Old Christmas Carol (God rest ye merry gentlemen)

Augener 1800

Available from the Royal College of Organists library

Nixon, June (b. 1942) – Australia –

Badinage on the Holly and the Ivy (2015)

Encore Publications (2021)

Cradle Song (1992)

Kevin Mayhew

Carol Prelude on Past Three O Clock (1994)

Kevin Mayhew

Carol Prelude on Christ Was Born on Christmas Day (1994)

Kevin Mayhew

Carol Prelude on Away in a Manger (1996)

Kevin Mayhew

Carol Prelude on God rest you Merry Gentlemen (1996)

Kevin Mayhew

Carol Prelude on Once in Royal David's City (1997)

Kevin Mayhew

Lullaby for the First Nowell (1997)

Kevin Mayhew

Christmas Scherzo (1995)

Kevin Mayhew

Hymn Preludes (1997)

In Dulci Jubilo Winchester New Stuttgart Noel

Kevin Mayhew

Puer Natus (1997)

Kevin Mayhew

Lift up your Heads (1999)

Kevin Mayhew

Variations on Divine Mysteries (1999)

Kevin Mayhew

Christians Awake (2000)

Kevin Mayhew

O little one sweet (2000)

Kevin Mayhew

Pierre, Odile – France –

Variations et Fugue sur trois Noels de Normandie Op.1

Alphonse Leduc AL28106

ISMN 9790046281068

Variations canoniques et fugue sur 2 noëls napolitains, Op. 6

Quatour sur deux Noël's hongrois

Plummer Faxon, Nancy (1914-2005) – United States –

A Christmas Celebration

Preludes, Compilations. Christmas, Lessons and Carols
Composed by Leo Abbott and Nancy Plummer Faxon
MorningStar Music
Item No.: MN.10-104

Portman, Brenda (b. 1980) – United States –

To purchase unpublished works contact Brenda via her website <https://brendaportman.com/contact-1>
(accessed 4 May 2026)

Variations on "Patapan" (2023)

Unpublished

It Came upon the Midnight Clear (2018)

Appears in *To Hear the Angels Sing* (2020)

Sacred Music Press

O Little Town of Bethlehem (2018)

Appears in *To Hear the Angels Sing* (2020)

Sacred Music Press

Toccata on "Joy to the World" (2018)

Appears in *To Hear the Angels Sing* (2020)

Sacred Music Press

Variations on the Huron Carol (2017)

Preamble, Tambourin, Reverie, March, Caprice, Toccata

Appears in *To Hear the Angels Sing* (2020)

Sacred Music Press

Caprice on GREENSLEEVES (2018)

Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)

Sacred Music Press

Winter Carol (2023)

Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)

Sacred Music Press

Carillon for Christmas (2023)

Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)

Sacred Music Press

Gaudete: Dance for Organ (2023)

Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)

Sacred Music Press

Still, Still, Still (2023)

Appears in *Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas* (2025)

Sacred Music Press

Rakich, Christa (b. 1950) – United States –

Variations on 'Puer Nobis Nascitur'

Available on IMSLP (accessed 1 October 2025) https://imslp.org/wiki/Category:Rakich%2C_Christa

Randall, Gail (b.1955) – United Kingdom –

Gaudete

Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)

Compiled by Timothy Rogers
Encore Publications
ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Reveley, Miriam (b.2003) – United Kingdom –

Prelude on 'Stille nacht'

Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)

Compiled by Timothy Rogers

Encore Publications

ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Robles, Zanaida Stewart (b.1979) – United States –

Flourish on Adeste Fideles

Appears in *Gregoriana: Twelve chant-based organ pieces by contemporary women composers* (2022) compiled by Anna Lapwood

Stainer and Bell

ISMN 9790220227851

Sakamoto, Hina (b. 1968) – Japan –

Seven Gifts

For access to her scores please contact the composer on <https://project-orb.yokohama/contact> accessed on 30 July 2024

Sandresky, Margaret Vardell (b. 1921) – United States –

Angelus ad Virginem (The Angel to the Queen of Heaven)

Appears in Margaret Vardell Sandresky: Organ Music Volume 2
Wayne Leupold Editions

A Wreath of Carols

Appears in Margaret Vardell Sandresky: Organ Music Volume 6
Wayne Leupold Editions

Lo, How a Rose

Christmas Variations for organ and band

Wayne Leupold Editions

Die Kön'ge aus Saba Kommen dar

Appears in *Volume 1: Margaret Sandresky Organ Solo*
Leupold

Senfter, Johanna (1879-1961) – Germany –

Choral Prelude *Vom Himmel Hoch* Op. 70a

Choral Prelude *In dulci jubilo* Op. 70e

Choral Prelude *Puer natus in Bethlehem* Op. 70h

In: 10 Choral Preludes

Edition Schott

ED 9603

Swain, Freda (1902-1985) – United Kingdom –

(for works listed on the [Freda Swain](https://freda-swain.com) website but not shown as available sheet music, please enquire via the website contact page)

In Dulce Jubilo

Summers, Amy (b. 1996) – United Kingdom –
Deck the Halls – Scherzetto (2021)
OUP

Reflection on the Coventry Carol
Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)
Compiled by Timothy Rogers
Encore Publications
ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

te Velde, Rebecca Groom (b. 1956) – United States –
Variations on a Theme of Samuel Scheidt: Puer Natus in Bethlehem (2007)
Oxford University Press
ISBN 9780193869981

Dance on God rest you merry
Lullaby on O Jesulein süß
Appears in *Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Advent and Christmas* (2014)
Oxford University
ISBN 9780193392335

Williams, Joy (b. 1960) – United Kingdom –
The merry organ
Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)
Compiled by Timothy Rogers
Encore Publications
ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Sir Christmas
SATB
Encore Publications

The Bee Carol
SATB
Encore Publications

Willis, Alison (b. 1971) – United Kingdom –
Prelude on "The First Nowell"
Appears in *Born in a Stable* (2024)
Compiled by Timothy Rogers
Encore Publications
ISMN 979-0-9002518-9-3

Organ & Instruments

Bakke, Ruth (b. 1947) – Norway –
The Bells of Christmas: Prelude (1985) 1'
Organ for 3 hands (Alternatively: organ plus solo instrument, e.g., trumpet or oboe)

For access to her works please contact the composer on <https://ruthbakke.com/contact/> (accessed October 1 2025)

Dubkova, Irina (b. 1957) – Russia –

Christmas Music (2007)
Organ and accordion

To purchase any works, please contact Irina on soundspace@mail.ru

Hensel (née Mendelssohn), Fanny (1805-1847) – Germany –
December & Nachspiel (Das Jahr)
Piano or organ
Furore

Nixon, June (b. 1942) – Australia –
Intrada – St Anne (2020)
Organ and two trumpets
Paraclete Press
Catalogue No 2072M

Epiphany

Arakelyan, Kristina (b. 1994) – Armenia/United Kingdom –

Star Fantasy on Alleluia: Vidimus Stellam

Appears in *Gregoriana: Twelve chant-based organ pieces by contemporary women composers* (2022) compiled by Anna Lapwood

Stainer and Bell

ISMN 9790220227851

Bennett, Mary Beth (b. 1954) – United States –

Deo Gracias

Appears in *Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Epiphany* (2014)

Oxford University Press

ISBN: 9780193393455

Jones, Tamsin (b. 1972) – United Kingdom –

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Chorale Prelude on “Wie schon leuchtet der Morgenstern” (2023)

Sandresky, Margaret Vardell (b. 1921) – United States –

Variations on “Morning Star”

Appears in *Margaret Vardell Sandresky: Organ Music Volume 2*

Wayne Leupold Editions

Senfter, Johanna (1879 – 1961) – Germany -

Variations Op. 66 on Morgenglanz der Ewigkeit

Schott

ED20264

Wie schon leuchtet

Appears in *Frauen komponieren*

Schott

te Velde, Rebecca Groom (b. 1956) – United States –

Chorale Prelude on Houston

Minuet-Trio on Kings of Orient

Festive Postlude on Puer nobis nascitur

Appears in *Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Epiphany* (2014)

Oxford University Press

ISBN 9780193393455

Conversion of Paul (January 25)

Jones, Tamsin (b. 1972) – United Kingdom –

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Praeludium Sancti Pauli (2024)

Candlemas

Mason, Grace-Evangeline (b. 1994) – United Kingdom

Light, Revealing (2021)

Appears in *Gregoriana: Twelve chant-based organ pieces by contemporary women composers* (2022) compiled by Anna Lapwood

Stainer and Bell

ISMN 9790220227851

Collections of organ music by women composers for Advent to Candlemas

Nixon, June (b. 1942): Hymns Amazing Book 2

Kevin Mayhew 2019

Catalogue No 1450459

te Velde, Rebecca Groom (b. 1956): Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Advent and Christmas

Oxford University Press 2014

ISBN 9780193392335

te Velde, Rebecca Groom: Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Epiphany (2014)

Oxford University Press

ISBN 9780193393455

Portman, Brenda (b. 1980): To Hear the Angels Sing (2020)

Sacred Music Press

Portman, Brenda (b. 1980): Gaudete: Music for Advent & Christmas (2025)

Sacred Music Press