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**This year we would like to support The Rock Trust. We hope you will all give generously**

**The Rock Trust**

The Rock Trust was established in 1991 by a group of churches in Edinburgh who wished to do something practical for young homeless people. The churches wanted to alleviate the homeless problem in Scotland while at the same time raising awareness of the issue. Since then, The Rock Trust has been working with young people aged 16-25 who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, this includes young people who are in transition, do not have sufficient support systems, are leaving care or home, those involved in offending, alcohol or drug misuse.

The Rock Trust provides crisis support including food, warmth, washing and laundry facilities, supported accommodation including shared flats and move on support to enable young people to learn skills needed for future employment and independent living.

**For Christmas** (music Orlando Gibbons, words George Wither)

As on the night before this blessed morn,  
A troop of angels unto shepherds told,  
Where in a stable he was poorly born,  
Whom nor the earth, nor heav'n of heav'ns can hold,  
Through Bethlem rung this news at their return;  
Yea, angels sang that 'God with us' was born,  
And they made mirth because we should not mourn,  
*His love therefore, oh let us all confess  
And to the sons of men his works express.*

This favour Christ vouchsafed for our sake:  
To buy us thrones he in a manger lay:  
Our weakness took, that we his strength might take,  
And was disrob'd, that he might us array:  
Our flesh he wore, our sin to wear away:  
Our curse he bore that we escape it may:  
And wept for us, that we might sing for aye:  
*His love therefore, etc.*

SOCIETY OF RECORDER PLAYERS – EDINBURGH BRANCH



## Christmas Evening

Monday 14 December 2015, 7.30 p.m., Kirk o' Field Centre

Scottish Border Suite Marg Hall  
Lasses o' Hawick; Duns Dings A'; The Gallowa' Hills;  
The Drunken Elders of Moffat  
*Branch conducted by Michael Graham*

Trio Sonata in C Major Georg Philipp Telemann (1681 – 1767)  
Dolce; Allegro; Grave; Vivace  
*Eileen Finlayson (recorder); Sandy Howie (violin);  
Linda Waugh (piano)*

New Braun Bag Pete Rose (b1942)  
*Caroline Higgitt, Aled Owen, Roger Robertson*

Pastorale from the Christmas Concerto Pietro Locatelli (1696 – 1750)  
arr. R. D. Tennent  
*Branch conducted by Michael Graham*

Chaconne George Frideric Handel (1685 – 1759)  
*Branch conducted by Peter Wraith*

3 Motets Michael Praetorius (1571 – 1621)  
Psallite, unigenito; In Natali Domino; En natus est Emanuel  
*Evening Class conducted by Marg Hall*

### Interval

Profits from the collection will be donated to the **Rock Trust**

In Dulci Jubilo

Michael Praetorius

*Branch conducted by Peter Wraith*

For Christmas (As on the night before) Orlando Gibbons (1583 – 1625)  
The Twelve Days of Christmas arr Paul Clark  
*Eileen Finlayson, Susan Gay, Susan McLarty, Dorothy Thomas*

2 trios from On the Cool Side Marg Hall  
Blues for Alison; On the Cool Side  
*Marg Hall, April Parkins, Alison Tollick*

Angelus ad pastores ait (1576) Andrea Gabrieli (c1532 – 1585)  
*Branch conducted by Peter Wraith*

Bethlehem Down Peter Warlock (1894 – 1930)  
arr. Tom Pitcairn  
*Branch conducted by Peter Wraith*

Christmas Crackers: A Christmas Suite (2015) Michael H. Graham  
Fanfare Prelude; Intermezzo; Scherzo Breve (A Short Joke);  
Alla Marcia; Toccata de Noël  
*Branch conducted by Michael Graham*

Carols for all

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen; In Dulci Jubilo

### The Conductors

**Michael Graham** is a conductor and composer based in Edinburgh. Following study at the University of Edinburgh, he was elected Musical Director of the Edinburgh Branch of the Society of Recorder Players in 2013 having been one of their regular conductors since 2010. Accepted onto the SRP Panel of Visiting Conductors in 2014, Michael also conducts various amateur and university orchestras and choirs around Scotland. He was awarded the Ian Pitt-Watson Memorial Prize for Conducting in 2013.

**Peter Wraith** has been playing in the Edinburgh branch for over a quarter of a century. He started conducting with Jim Carey's encouragement in the late nineties and has been hard at it ever since. The Edinburgh Branch has recently performed his arrangements of music by Pepusch, Handel and Britten.

**Marg Hall** is a recorder teacher and composer living near Edinburgh. She teaches privately, at the Steiner School, and the Evening Class; she has over 50 compositions published by Peacock Press and Hawthorn's Music.

Carols for all

### God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

1) God rest you merry, Gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay, For Jesus Christ our Saviour Was born upon this day, To save us all from Satan's power, When we had gone astray.	2) From God that is our Father, The blessed angels came, Unto some certain shepherds, With tidings of the same; That there was born in Bethlehem, The son of God by name.
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*O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy:*  
*O tidings of comfort and joy.*

3)  
Now to the Lord sing praises,  
All you within this place,  
And with true love and brotherhood  
Each other now embrace:  
This holy tide of Christmas  
All others doth deface:

*O tidings of comfort and joy, etc.*

### In Dulci Jubilo

1) <i>In dulci jubilo</i> Now sing with hearts aglow! Our delight and pleasure Lies <i>in praesipio</i> , Like sunshine is our treasure <i>Matris in gremio</i> . <i>Alpha es et O!</i> <i>Alpha es et O!</i>	2) <i>O Jesu parvule</i> For thee I long alway; Comfort my heart's blindness, <i>O puer optime</i> , With all the loving kindness. <i>O princeps gloriae</i> . <i>Trahe me post te!</i> <i>Trahe me post te!</i>
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3)  
*Ubi sunt gaudia*  
In any place but there?  
There are angels singing  
*Nova cantica*,  
And there the bells are ringing  
*In regis curia*.  
O that we were there!  
O that we were there!