

Gerald Barry

# Carol

(1986)

ED 13739

**PREVIEW**  
Low Resolution



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Cantique  
Geraldine McDonnell, conductor  
Christ Church Cathedral  
Dublin, Ireland

Duration: c. 2 minutes

*Carol* is written for two-part choir or two solo voices, accompanied by a keyboard instrument. The upper voice should be sung by a treble or trebles, or female voices with a treble timbre. The lower voice should be sung by any male voice or voices with a suitable range. The keyboard instrument may be organ, piano, or harpsichord.

A Babe is born all of a Maid  
To bring salvation unto us,  
No more are we to sing afraid  
*Veni Creator Spiritus.*

At Bethlehem, that blessed place,  
The Child of bliss there born He was;  
Him aye to serve God give us grace,  
*O Lux beata Trinitas.*

There came three kings out of the East  
To worship there that King so free  
With gold and myrrh and frankincense,  
*A solis ortus cardine.*

The shepherds heard an angel  
A merry song that might sing  
Why are ye all so affright?  
*Jam lucis exordium.*

The Angel came in the night,  
A beautiful shining one  
In the worship of the Child,  
*Gloria in excelsis.*

15<sup>th</sup> century

*Carol* by Gerald Barry performed by Chamber Choir Ireland / Paul Hillier is available on the CD "Carols from the old and new worlds; vol. III" from Harmonia Mundi

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UPPER VOICE(S)

*mp*

Voices

A Babe is born all of a Maid To bring sal - va - tion  
No more are we to sing a - fraid Re - of Christ - mas

Keyboard

*mp*

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At Beth - le - hem, that bles - sed The Shep - herd was by He wrot, Him

LOWER VOICE(S)

*mf*

U - Luc - ce - a - ta Trin - i - ta - s. There With

*mf*

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gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense A so - lis or - tus car - di - ne.