

Drama Ministry®

A CHRISTMAS OF POETRY

Poetry by Lindsay Lee Hardin

GENRE: Readers' Theater

SYNOPSIS: Poignant yet powerful, sentimental yet scriptural, this program features 5 original free-verse poems and Scripture readings interspersed with Christmas favorites led by your choir and sung with your congregation. Use our song suggestions or choose your own!

TIME: Around 35 minutes (depending on # of verses used for each son

CAST BREAKDOWN: One reader (or have a different reader for each section of poetry)

TOPIC: Christmas / Advent

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Luke 2; Matthew 2

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Christmas

SUGGESTED USE: Any Christmas gathering

CHARACTERS: One or more readers

PROPS: None

COSTUMES: None

SOUND: One mic (on stand or wireless)

LIGHTING: General stage lighting

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SUGGESTED SONGS: “JOY TO THE WORLD,” “HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING”

READER: These beloved carols bring back such warm memories:

Family traditions, the tree, the stockings, dinner together, and Christmas Eve services...

Join us now as we revisit our own stories through poetry and song,

So that we might be reminded of the Greatest story of all...

SUGGESTED SONGS: “O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM,” “O COME O COME EMMANUEL”

Reading One: Christmas Traditions

READER: Christmas lights twinkle and dance

Across our neighbor’s yard

Beautiful snow is actually falling

And we are snuggled in our home,

Cozy as a family,

Sharing our favorite memories,

Traditions, and Christmas carols.

Sure, there are movies we love to watch,

Presents we love to open,

And favorite recipes we love to share,

But the most meaningful of all

Is the miracle that is re-told every year.