



Singers, Friends, and Supporters,

The Penobscot Bay Singers present their latest program for the 2021 season.

The Penobscot Bay Singers present a traditional service, a *Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols*.

The story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus, are told in short lessons from Genesis, the prophetic books and the Gospels, interspersed with the singing of Christmas Carols, hymns, and choral selections.

May your beliefs, be they Christian or other, inspire love and light in this season of darkness. Through our offering, may you experience peace and hope, as the light returns into the New Year and beyond.

This program will be about 60 minutes long and subtitles are provided for you to follow along and sing. Please enjoy ... UNTIL we can sing for and with you in person again!

[Penobscot Bay Singers Presentation of Lessons & Carols December 2021 - YouTube](https://youtu.be/RPJQT3p0g0Y)
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[Penobscot Bay Singers Presentation of Lessons & Carols December 2021 on Vimeo](https://vimeo.com/658343061)
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Once again, with our virtual program, our hopes include: creating a holiday program, with a festive, joyful, reflective, and enlightening presentation of *Lessons and Carols*; a selection of old and new testament readings. The guest readers, including pastors from several local area churches and members of the choir, retell the familiar lessons, in the beautiful settings of the various church sanctuaries. The choir members, masked and distanced, together again, in small groups and solo performers, present appropriate choral selections to each lesson. Masks may muffle the sound, but our love of music and you, the audience, pours through.

Founded in Belfast, Maine, in 1973 by Robert Coller (and initially named after him), the Penobscot Bay Singers have been performing throughout the midcoast Maine area for well over 40 years, bringing fine choral music to many communities. Under the direction of Richard Dostie, with accompaniment by Linnea Johnson, we continue to seek creative ways to keep our musical commitments alive and well, in midcoast Maine. With the assistance and expertise of Ned Lightner, Belfast Community TV and Charlie Crane, Belfast Community Radio, our limitations to reach our audience became an option again, during these most peculiar times. The program aired on the local BelTV and other area stations throughout the Christmas season.

To purchase your own Keepsake DVD of 2021 *Penobscot Bay Singers Presentation of Lessons & Carols*, mail a \$20 check payable to Pen Bay Singers or you can make a donation. (Your donation supports the local television, radio, and choral group.) Graciously accepted at: Pen Bay Singers, PO Box 5, Belfast, Maine 04915

The Penobscot Bay Singers wish you Peace, Joy, and Love this Season and a Blessed 2022 to you all.

We hope to see you in our audience ...

With Music in our Hearts,
Katherine Hayes and all the Penobscot Bay Singers

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Past Pen Bay Singers Virtual Performances:

[PenBay Singers Holiday Concert 2020 on Vimeo](https://vimeo.com/485509807)  
<https://vimeo.com/485509807>

[Penobscot Bay Singers Virtual POPs Fall 2020 on Vimeo](https://vimeo.com/469900534)  
<https://vimeo.com/469900534>

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Celebrating almost Fifty Years of Music!!!