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Central Methodist Chapel December 2016

A warm welcome to everyone here at Central Methodist Chapel for an glorious evening celebrating the wonderful scope of the traditional and contemporary Christmas repertoire. Tonight, three choirs raise their voice in song to add a colourful sparkle to your yuletide cheer.

The richness of today's choral stage means stunning new music is written each year, but it is Christmas that surely brings out the very best in composers and arrangers both past and present. So we are delighted to unite under one roof - in gloriously diverse harmony - three different choirs who together can display every glittering facet of the music that makes this season so special.

From tender a cappella moments to full joyous chorus; British composers hand in hand with stunning European arrangements; guest musicians; beautiful classical pieces and even a touch of toe-tapping jazz, this evening has many surprises to lift the heart and fill all music lovers with Christmas spirit. So - let voices be raised in song, let the merry organ play, & let Christmas begin!