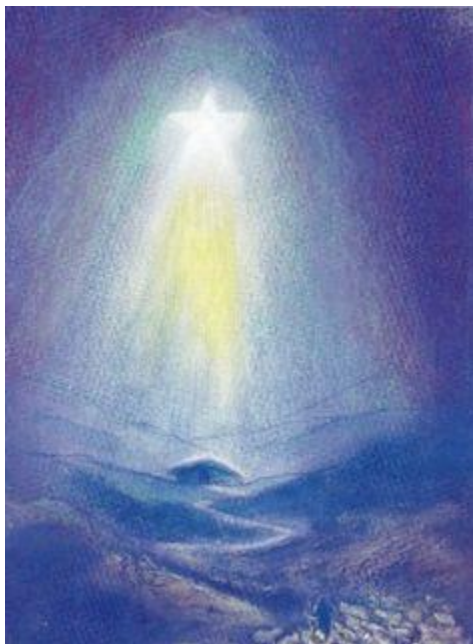


2015-16 Holy Nights Celebration and Readings

Anthroposophical Society – Greater Washington, DC, Branch



“Kerstnacht” (Christmas Eve) – Marjan van Zeyl

“. . . Peace on earth to human beings who are of good will.” This is Rudolf Steiner’s presentation of the proclamation to the shepherds at the birth of the Jesus child at Christmas.

In today’s world, where peace on earth is so sorely needed, how can we, as students of Rudolf Steiner, become human beings of good will in the service of our fellow men and of cosmic evolution? How can we become capable of “doing the good?” The three lectures for the Holy Nights address this question from varied standpoints. Over all there may shine the words of the 4th panel of the Foundation Stone Meditation:

At the turning point of time
The Spirit-light of the world
Entered the earthly stream of being.
Darkness of night had ceased its reign;
Day-radiant light shone forth in human souls:
Light that gives warmth to simple shepherds’ hearts;
Light that enlightens the wise heads of kings.

Light divine, Christ-Sun,
Warm our hearts; enlighten our heads;
That good may become
What from our hearts we are founding,
What from our heads we direct,
With focused will.

--Rudolf Steiner; translation by members of the Association for the Arts
of Speech and Drama in North America

The Branch Festivals Group is offering three evenings of reading and conversation: Sunday, December 27; Tuesday, December 29; and Tuesday, January 5.

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