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Concert choir sopranos wearing traditional red robes in Lessons and Carols Festival

BC presents 19th Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols

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The Brevard College Concert Choir and Chamber Singers invite you to the 19th annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on Saturday, Dec. 5 in The Porter Center for Performing Arts at 7:30 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

The BC Concert Choir and Chamber Chorale will perform several carols and anthems under the direction of Dr. David Gresham. The annual service follows in the tradition of the longstanding ceremony held at King's College in Cambridge, England, where the Festival was introduced in 1918. It is traditionally held on Christmas Eve. The ceremony alternates biblical readings chronicling the prophecy and birth of Christ with carols that illuminate a part of

the previous reading.

Edward Benson was the initial developer of the format, when he created the nine lessons and carols program in 1880. Later, King's College began the tradition of holding the yearly service with Benson's original lessons. The carols King's College sings are slightly different from the original programming used in the early 1900s but only show great variance when they have a change in organist.

The program at Brevard College includes the original readings, along with supplementary carols selected by the director. The conclusion of the program is a beautiful candlelit arrangement of "Stille Nacht" (Silent Night).

"This is always a special event in the life of Brevard College, and we hope that you can join us," Gresham said

28th Annual Twilight Tour will bring family-friendly fun to Brevard

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The Heart of Brevard will be hosting its 28th annual Twilight Tour on Dec. 5 in Downtown Brevard. The festivities will offer a Christmas parade, musical performances, pictures with Santa Claus, and BC will put on a special laser light show.

The Twilight Tour will kick off with a Christmas parade at 3 p.m. with the festival taking full swing from 4-8 p.m. The annual tree lighting ceremony will be held at 5:30 p.m.

Aside from the parade and musical performances, the festival will offer free family-friendly events. Children have the chance to go on the holiday train rides as well as pony rides. There will be outdoor holiday movies with a bonfire and s'mores. There will also be pictures with Santa, elf workshops and face paintings. There will also be performances of The Nutcracker from the Brevard Ballet School.

Various local food and craft vendors will be available for those attending the festival. The Smash Box Mobile Kitchen and The Velvet Cup Coffee Truck are just a few of the vendors that will be offering refreshments to event goers. Many of the stores and restaurants in Downtown Brevard will be open later, as well.

Besides the music, refreshments, and other holiday-themed events, the Twilight Tours will also include a show drive. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Brevard and the Pisgah Forest Rotary Club Drop, those who plan on attending the event are asked to bring any new or gently used shoes and drop them off at the Twilight Tour or at First Citizen's Bank in Brevard.

Since this event offers many things for people of all ages, volunteers are welcome to sign up through the Heart of Brevard website. Email info@brevardnc.org for more information about the festival and how you can sign up to volunteer.