

Cookin' Up Christmas

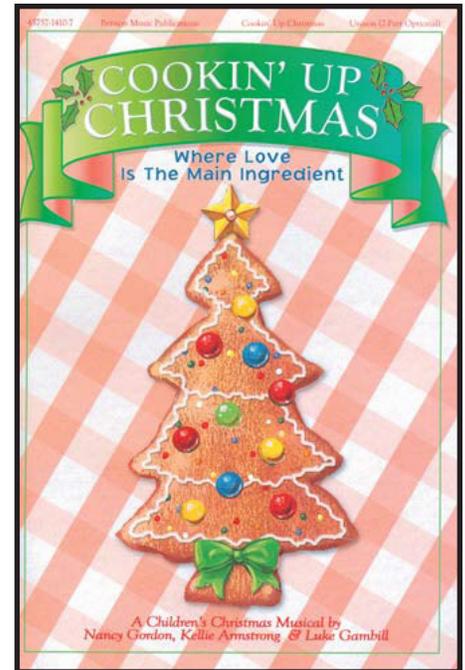
Written by: Nancy Gordon, Kellie Armstrong, and Luke Gambill
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Length: 30 minutes

Song titles:

Christmas, Merry Christmas with Joy to the World
Cookin' Up Christmas
Are You Missing Christmas?
Offering
Gloria

Characters:

There are eight distinct and unique characters:
Miss Paula Queen – a dramatic southern belle, fun-loving and loves Christmas
Emerald Lasagna – famous guest chef
Betty Rocker – the queen of the church kitchen
Rachel Day – sweet, friendly lady
Bobby Grey – new kid in town... has never heard the Christmas story
Martha Stewart – a busybody who has forgotten the real meaning of Christmas
Alfred Brown – an intellectual “nerd” who knows an awful lot
Uncle Earl Humdinger – a “country bumpkin” with no lines who brings possum pie to the party



Summary:

The kids choir has decided to do some serious cooking this year rather than just having a party. They have collected recipes from the congregation to cook up goodies to share with the community. While the children cook and wrap gifts, they learn about the real “recipe” of Christmas: God’s love.

There are five easy songs, some fun dialog, and two choices for a lengthy or shorter “Southern Belle” narrative of the Biblical Christmas story.

The music is lively, traditional, and will be fairly easy and for sure enjoyable. You could cook up cookies or other goodies to “party” with the audience after the musical.

Comments:

The musical takes place in the church kitchen and/or fellowship hall; with kitchen props, aprons, mixing bowls, cookies, and other goodies. There are detailed “movement suggestions” in the songbook for each song.

Bottom line:

This could be a fun experience for the choir children, if you actually did some real cooking projects to take to nursing homes, children’s homes, or other outreach situations.

Resource materials available:

Preview Pack	<i>KMC-35 PREVIEW</i>
Songbook	<i>KMC-35 BOOK</i>
Listening CD	<i>KMC-35 CD</i>
Accompaniment CD (<i>Split-Track</i>)	<i>KMC-35 ACC SPLIT</i>

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