

Choral Music for the Soul
The St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs
Sunday, March 15, 2015, 4:00 p.m.

# Program

Please take this opportunity to disconnect from the outside world by silencing your electronic devices as soon as you are seated. If you must leave the nave during the concert, please wait for a break in the music before re-entering.

Ave verum corpus, K. 618

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Mass No. 2 in G Major, D. 167

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

- I. Kyrie
- II. Gloria
- III. Credo
- IV. Sanctus
- V. Benedictus
- VI. Agnus Dei

Margaret Beers, soprano; Matthew Reid, tenor; Nicholas Filippedes, baritone; Aaron Krerowicz, bass.

#### Intermission

Choral varié sur le theme du "Veni Creator", Op. 4

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Floyd Higgins, organ, with chant sung by the men of the St. John's Choir

from Quatre Motets sur des Thèmes Grégoriens op. 10: Ubi caritas from Five Mystical Songs: Antiphon: Let All the World How Can I Keep from Singing

Maurice Duruflé Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1968)

Edward Tyler, 1995

The St. John's Combined Choirs

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God O God, My Heart Is Ready My Eyes for Beauty Pine

Michael Bedford, 2004 Peter Niedmann, 2005

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

The St. John's Youth Choir

Sing Me to Heaven You Are the Center Daniel E. Gawthrop, 1991

Margaret Rizza, 1997

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Sing My Soul, Thy Perfect Love

Ned Rorem, 1962 Herbert Howells

Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks

The St. John's Adult Choir

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I Hear a Voice a-Prayin' A Gaelic Blessing

Houston Bright (1916-1970) John Rutter, 1978

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Following this afternoon's concert, you are cordially invited to a reception and art show in the church hall, found through the door on your right at the front of the nave.

As you depart, ushers will accept your donations, which help make this concert series possible.

A donation of \$20 is appreciated.

#### Chamber Orchestra

Sarah Washburn, Douglas Johnson, violins Carlos Boltes, viol Melissa Morgan, cello Travis Bruns, bass

### St. John's Choir

Scott Lamlein, music director Floyd Higgins, guest organist

Youth: Christine Babbitt, Margaret Babbitt, Teddy Babbitt, Morgan Babbitt, Emily Bigger, Claire Brouillard, Elsa Ciscel, Britt Emerick, Cate Emerick, Emma Evica, Jia-Lin Koh, Kay-Lin Koh, Francis Lamlein, Madeline Green (head chorister), Daaé Ransom (lead girl), Sierra Scott, Malachi Ward

Soprano: Margaret Beers, Peg Bigger, Zella Foster, Caitlyn Semanie

Alto: Mariana Evica, Mary Beth Lamlein, Elizabeth Proteau, Jacqueline Smith

Tenor: Lynn Brooks, John Church, Zachary Kohl, Matthew Reid

Bass: Stephan Christiansen, Nicholas Filippides, Aaron Krerowicz, Hal Rives, Paul Smith

# Texts and Translations

#### Ave verum corpus, K. 618

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie, O Jesu, fili Mariae.

Miserere mei. Amen.

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who having truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mankind, whose pierced side flowed with water and blood:
May it be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death.
O sweet Jesus, O pious Jesus,
O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

## Mass No. 2 in G Major

#### **Kvrie**

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

#### Gloria

Gloria in excelsis Deo,

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Laudamus te, benedicimus te, Adoramus te, glorificamus te.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

Qui tollis peccata mundi,

Miserere nobis.

Qui tollis peccata mundi,

[Suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,

miserere nobis.]

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus,

Tu solus altissimus, [Jesu Christe.] Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris,

Amen.

#### Credo

Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem,

factorem coeli et terrae,

visibilium omnium et invisibilium.

[Et] in unum Dominum Jesum Christum,

Filium Dei unigenitum, [et] ex patre natum ante omnia

saecula, Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine,

Deum verum de Deo vero. Genitum non factum, consubstantialem Patri; per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos homines et [propter] nostram salutem descendit de coelis.

Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto,

ex Maria virgine; et homo factus est.

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato, passus et sepultus est. Et resurrexit tertia die secundum Scripturas, et ascendit in coelum, sedet ad dexteram

Patris, et iterum venturus est cum gloria, judicare vivos et

mortuos, cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum Dominum,

et vivificantem, qui ex Patre Filioque procedit,

qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur,

et conglorificatur, qui locutus est per Prophetas.

[Et unam sanctam catholicam et apolstolicam Eccelsiam.]

Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum, [et expecto resurectionem] mortuorum,

et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest,

And peace on earth to men of good will.

We praise You, we bless You,

We worship You, we glorify You.

We give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, King of Heaven,

God the Father Almighty.

Lord only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

You who take away the sin of the world,

Have mercy on us.

You who take away the sin of the world,

[Hear our prayer.

You who sit at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.]

For You alone are holy, You alone are Lord,

You alone are the Most High, [Jesus Christ.]

With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father,

Amen

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

[And] in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, light from light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and [for] our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He became

incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He

suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; He

will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and His kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; with the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. [I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.] I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; [I look for the resurrection] of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Sanctus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.

#### Benedictus

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis.

#### Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem. Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

#### Intermission

#### Ubi caritas

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

George Herbert (1593-1633)

# Antiphon: Let All the World

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing: My God and King.
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither flie;
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
The Church with psalms must shout,
No doore can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.

# How Can I Keep from Singing

My life flows on in endless song Above earth's lamentation. I hear the real, though far off hymn That hails the new creation.

Through all the tumult and the strife I hear the music ringing. It sounds and echoes through my soul How can I keep from singing?

Robert Wadsworth Lowry (1826-1899)

No storm can shake my inmost calm While to that rock I'm clinging. Since love is lord of heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?

What though the tempest round me roars, I hear the truth it liveth.
What though the darkness round me close,
Songs in the night it giveth.

### I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Lesbia Scott (1898-1986)

I sing a song of the saints of God,
Patient and brave and true,
Who toiled and fought and lived and died
For the Lord they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,
And one was a shepherdess on the green;
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean,
God helping, to be one too.

They lived not only in ages past,
There are hundreds of thousands still.
The world is bright with the joyous saints
Who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;
For the saints of God are just folk like me,
And I mean to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, And his love made them strong; And they followed the right for Jesus' sake The whole of their good lives long. And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, And one was slain by a fierce wild beast; And there's not any reason, no, not the least, Why I shouldn't be one too.

#### O God, My Heart Is Ready

Jane Penfield, 2005

O God, my heart is ready to burst with melodies. My prayers have ripened into song; Let me awaken with the dawn to lift my voice in praise.

O God, my heart is ready, filled with your heavenly love.

Teach me to sing on earth awhile, with voice and spirit of a child, as angels sing above.

O God, my heart is ready, make it your instrument.

Let me, within the choral art present to you, O God, my heart

In anthems without end. O God, my heart is ready.

# My Eyes for Beauty Pine

Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

My eyes for beauty pine; My soul for God's grace; No other care nor hope is mine; To heaven I turn my face; One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above; Tis named when God's name is said; Tis love, 'tis heavenly love; And every gentle heart that burns with true desire Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Sing Me to Heaven Jane Griner, 1991

In my heart's sequestered chambers lie truths stripped of poets' gloss
Words alone are vain and vacant, and my heart is mute
In response to aching silence, memory summons half-heard voices
And my soul finds primal eloquence, and wraps me in song
If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby
If you would win my heart, sing me a love song
If you would mourn me and bring me to God, sing me a requiem, sing me to Heaven
Touch in me all love and passion, pain and pleasure
Touch in me grief and comfort, love and passion, pain and pleasure
Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem
Love me, comfort me, bring me to God
Sing me a love song, sing me to Heaven

You Are the Center Margaret Rizza, 1997

You are the center, you are my life; you are the center, O Lord of my life. Come, Lord, and guide me, Lord of my life; send me your Spirit, Lord of my life. Give me your Spirit and teach me your ways, give me your peace, Lord, and set me free.

# Sing My Soul, Thy Perfect Love

Anonymous, 1800

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love, who from you bright throne above, ever watchful o'er our race, still to us extends his grace.

God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior's blood, and, to make our safety sure, guides us by his Spirit pure. Heaven and earth by him were made; all is by his scepter swayed; what are we that he should show so much love to us below?

Sing, my soul, adore his Name! Let his glory be thy theme: praise him till he calls thee home; truth his love for all to come.

## Like as the Hart desireth the Waterbrooks

Psalm 42: 1-3

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee,
O God, My soul is athirst for God, Yea, even for the living God.
When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my meat day and night.
while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

#### I Hear a Voice a-Prayin'

Houston Bright (1916-1970)

I hear a voice a-prayin', Lord, Hallelujah, I hear a voice a-cryin', Oh Lord, save-a my soul. Every time I hear a sinner pray, I wonder if I'm ready for the Judgment Day. Every time I hear a sinner cry, I wonder where I'm goin' when I come to die. Every time I hear the parson preach, I wonder if salvation is in-a my reach.

#### A Gaelic Blessing

Old Gaelic Rune, adapted

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the gentle night to you.

Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.

Deep peace of Christ,

of Christ the light of the world to you.

Deep peace of Christ to you.



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Our expanded series of musical offerings to the Parish and wider community began in September 2011. The name of the series makes reference to our front doors, with their traditional color of welcome and sanctuary. The series has helped to establish St. John's as a destination for those seeking musical excellence and refreshment, drawing on the existing strengths of our choirs (and guest artists), our architecture, organ, location, and our Anglican heritage.

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