CONCERT CHOIR
CHAMBER SINGERS

Joy Meade, Conductor

Friday, March 26, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.
Calvin and Janet High Center for Worship
and Performing Arts, Parmer Hall

MESSIAH UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC
Antiphon ................................................................. Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

Andrew Meade, organ

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King!

   The heavens are not too high,
   His praise may thither fly:
   The earth is not too low,
   His praises there may grow.

Let all the world in every corner sing,
   My God and King!

The church with Psalms must shout.
   No door can keep them out:
   But above all, the heart
   Must bear the longest part.

Let all the world in every corner sing,
   My God and King!

I Will Lift Mine Eyes ................................................................. Jake Runestad
(b. 1986)

I will lift mine eyes unto the hills,
   From whence comes my help?
   My help comes from the Lord
   The maker of heaven and earth.
   He will not let your foot be moved.
   He who keeps you will not slumber nor sleep.
   The Lord is thy keeper
   The Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
   The sun shall not harm you by day nor the moon by night.
   The Lord will keep you from all evil.
   He will keep your soul.
   The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in
   From this day forth forever more.
Victimae paschali laudes

Let Christians offer sacrificial praises to the passover victim.
The lamb has redeemed the sheep:
The Innocent Christ has reconciled the sinners to the Father.
Death and life contended in a spectacular battle:
the dead leader of life reigns alive.
Tell us, Mary, what did you see on the way?
I saw the tomb of the living Christ and the glory of his rising,
The angelic witnesses, the shroud, and the clothes.
Christ my hope is arisen: he will go before his own into Galilee.

Il bianco e dolce cigno,
cantando more, ed io piangendo giung’ al fin del viver mio.
Stran’ e diversa sorte,
ch’ei more sconsolato ed io moro beato.
Morte che nel morire m’empie di gioia tutto e di desire.
Se nel morir, altro dolor non sento,
di mille mort’ il di sarei contento.
Il Bianco E Dolce Cigno.............................................................. Jacques Arcadelt (1507-1568)

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cantando more, ed io
piangendo giung’ al fin del viver mio.
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ed io moro beato.
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Ave Verum Corpus............................................................................. William Byrd (1674-1744)

Ave verum corpus,
natum de Maria Virgine,
vere passum,
immolatum in cruce pro homine:
Cuius latus performatum
unda fluxit sanguine.
Esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine:
O dulcis! O pie!
O Jesu fili Mariae,
miserere mei. Amen.

The white and sweet swan,
dies singing, and I,
weeping, reach the end of my life.
Strange and different fate,
that he dies disconsolate
and I die a blessed death,
which in dying fills me full of joy and desire.
If in dying, were I to feel no other pain,
I would be content to die a thousand
deaths a day.

Hail true body,
born of the Virgin Mary,
who truly suffered,
and were sacrificed on the cross for mankind:
From whose pierced side
water flowed, and blood.
Be a foretaste for us
in the trial of death:
O sweet! O merciful!
O Jesus, son of Mary,
have mercy on me. Amen.
Ave Verum .......................................................... Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

Amanda Albright, soprano
Andrew Meade, organ
Natalie Brooks, conductor

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Underneath the Stars ......................................... Kate Rusby, arr. Jim Clements
(b.1983)

Natalie Brooks, soprano

Underneath the stars I'll meet you
Underneath the stars I'll greet you
There beneath the stars I'll leave you
Before you go of your own free will

Go gently

Underneath the stars you met me
Underneath the stars you left me
I wonder if the stars regret me
At least you'll go of your own free will

Go gently

Noel Waltemire, piano
Women of Concert Choir

I hear music in the air.
I can feel it in the air.
There must be a God somewhere.

Over my head,
I hear music in the air.
There must be a God somewhere.

Over my head,
I hear singing in the air.
There must be a God somewhere.
I got this music down in my soul
And it fills my heart with the joy of the Lord.

I’ve got it joy, everlasting
I’ve got it peace, everlasting
I’ve got it love, everlasting
I’ve got it love, everlasting
I’ve got it joy, everlasting

Love in my heart
Oh yes, I got peace in my soul,
Oh yes, I got joy in my heart,
Joy today!

Do you love the Lord?
I love the Lord!
Well!
Nearer, My God, to Thee ............................ Lowell Mason, arr. James L. Stevens  
(1923- 2012)

Greysen Kemper, Quinn Cameron and Caleb Wenger, soloists
Men of Concert Choir

In articulo mortis (At the moment of death)
Caelitus mihi vires (My strength is from heaven)

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee
E’en though it be a cross that raiseth me
There let the way appear, steps unto Heav’n
All that Thou sendest me, in mercy giv’n
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee
Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone
Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee
Nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, to Thee

In articulo mortis (At the moment of death)
Caelitus mihi vires (My strength is heaven)
Deo adjuvante non timendum (God helping, nothing should be feared)
In perpetuum (Forever)
Dirige nos domine (Direct us, O Lord)
Ad augusta per angusta (To high places by narrow roads)
Sic itur ad astra (Such is the path to the stars)
Excelsior (Ever upward)

~ Intermission ~

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Heilig.................................................................Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Heilig, heilig, heilig,
ist Gott, der Zebaoth!
Alle Lande sind seiner Ehre voll.
Hosianna in der Höh’!
Gelobt sei, der da kommt im
Namen des Herrn!
Hosianna in der Höh’!

Holy, holy, holy
is God, the Lord Sabaoth!
Ev’ry nation proclaims his glorious praise.
Sing Hosanna in the heights.
O blest is he that comes in
God’s holy name.
Sing Hosanna in the heights!

Fatise Kolo ..........................................................Serbian Folksong arr. Markovich

Fatiše Kolo vranjske devojke.
Vranjske devojke na tu vranjsku česmu.
Na čelu kola, Mitkina taša
Mitkina taša, lepotica naša

The girls from Vranje started a circle dance
The girls of Vranje, at Vranje’s fountain.
At the head of the round is damsel Tasa
Damsel Tasa, our beauty.

Rasa Sayang .................................................Malay Folksong, arr. TOH Ban Sheng

Rasa sayung, eh!
Eh lihat nona jauh,
Rasa sayung sayung eh!

Feeling of love, hey!
See that girl in the distance,
Feeling of love, hey!

Anak sembling di tapak tangan,
Pucuk pauh delima batu,
Hilang di mata di hati jangen
Sunggoh jauh di neg’ri Satu.

A tiny catfish in my palm,
A mango shoot and a ruby,
Out of sight but in the heart shan’t be
Too far from the country
Lenggang Kangkong
Kangkong tepi telaga
Mari melancong
Ke Singapura!

The swaying of the water spinach,
The watercress which is near the well.
Come visit
Singapure!

Rasa sayung, eh!
Eh lihat nona jauh,
Rasa sayung sayung eh!

Feeling of love, hey!
See that girl in the distance,
Feeling of love, hey!

This is My Father’s World........................................ Hymn arr. Elaine Hagenberg

Pamela Reinoso, violin
Caleb Wenger, piano
Natalie Brooks, conductor

This is my father's world
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres

This is my father's world
The birds their carols raise
The morning light, the lily white
Declare their maker’s praise

This is my father's world
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought
This is my father's world
Oh, let me never forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong
God is the ruler yet

This is my father's world
He shines in all that's fair
In the rustling grass, I hear him pass
He speaks to me everywhere

Way Over in Beulah Lan' ................... African-American Spiritual arr. Stacey Gibbs

We gonna have a good, good time way ovuh in Beulah Lan.’
Oh, when we get way ovuh in Beulah Lan,’ yes way ovuh in Beulah Lan’.
Oh, we gonna have a good, good time way ovuh in Beulah Lan’.
I’m singin’ way ovuh in Beulah Lan,’ yes way ovuh in Beulah Lan’.
Oh, we gonna have a good, good time way ovuh in Beulah Lan’.

Oh, we gonna walk dem golden streets.
Oh, we gonna drink of de Holy wine.

Singin’ way ovuh in Beulah Lan’, I said a way ovuh in Beulah Lan’.
We gonna have a good time way ovuh in Beulah Lan’, when we get to heaven chillun.

I Love You/What A Wonderful World................................. arr. Craig Hella Johnson
(b. 1962)

Nathan White and Brielle Finkbeiner, soloists
Abigail Stewart, piano

We can be together now and forever; I love you.
And when I’m prayin’, I hear him sayin’ “I love you, I love you.”
People all over the world, they’re opening up,
They’re comin’ around and they’re sayin’ I love you.

I see skies of blue and clouds of white, bright blessed day and dark, sacred night;
And I think to myself, “What a wonderful world.”
The colors of the rainbow, so pretty in the sky,
Are also on the faces of people going by.
I see friends shaking hands, saying, “How do you do?”
They’re really saying, “I love you.”
I hear babies cry, I watch them grow;
They’ll learn much more than I’ll ever know,
And I think to myself, “What a wonderful world.”

The Lord Bless You and Keep You...................................................... Peter Lutkin
(1858-1931)

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord lift his countenance upon you,
and give you peace;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you.
Amen, amen.
Soprano
Amanda Albright, Bellwood, PA, President*
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Lindsay Bosco, Coraopolis, PA, Chaplain
Music Education ’21
Daisy Eckman, West Grove, PA
Art Education ’24
Madelyn Felix, Boiling Springs, PA, Fundraising*
Music Education ’23
Brielle Finkbeiner, Emmaus, PA
Music Education ’24
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Music Education ’23
Elizabeth Hill, Chambersburg, PA
Music ’24
Julie Knott, Harrisburg, PA*
Music Performance/Psychology ’24
Maira Myers, Harrisonburg, VA*
Music Education ’24
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Sydney Schappell, Lebanon, PA
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Katelynn Smith, Clearfield, PA*
Music Education ’24
Abigail Stewart, Purceville, VA
Music Education, ’24
Emily Watson, Harrisburg, PA
Education, Certification PreK-4 ’22

Alto
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Katelyn Avon, Urbana, MD
Communications/Marketing/Sustainability ’22
Natalie Brooks, Dunkirk, MD, Concert Coordinator*
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Sarah Hartman, York, PA
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Makenzie Janson, Eden Prairie, MN
Biblical Studies ‘24
Gabrielle Jones, Washington, D.C.
Digital Media (Video & Story) ‘21
Maria Miller, Evans Mills, NY
PR/Social Media Music Education ‘22
Jordan Morris, Perryville, MD
Applied Health Science (Athletic Training) ‘24
Anna Snyder, Malvern, PA*
Psychology ‘22
Noel Waltemire, Stewartstown, PA
Music Education ‘22

Tenor
Jacob Barton, Millerstown, PA
Biomedical Engineering/Chemistry ‘22
Lucas Burkhart, Milton, PA
Social Work ‘23
Quinn Cameron, Conneautville, PA*
Music Education ‘24
Daniel Curry, Dillsburg, PA
Communications ‘23
Jeffrey Gao, Athens, PA
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Greysen Kemper, Harrisburg, PA*
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Music/Chemistry ‘21
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Timothy Tien, Klang, Malaysia*
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Caleb Wenger, Annville, PA*
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Bass
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Messiah University Jazz Combos
Todd Goranson, director
April 6 • High Center, High Foundation Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Messiah University Symphonic Winds
Travis Weller, conductor
Messiah University Brass Choir
Mike Harcrow and William Stouman, director
April 15 • High Center, Parmer Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Messiah University Chamber Ensembles
April 19 • High Center, High Foundation Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Messiah University Wind Ensemble
James Colomna, conductor
April 22 • High Center, Parmer Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Messiah University Symphony Orchestra
Timothy Dixon, conductor
April 23 • High Center, Parmer Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Messiah University Spring Choral Showcase
Rachel Cornacchio and Joy Meade, conductors
April 28 • High Center, Parmer Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Musica Nova: Student Compositions
April 29 • High Center, High Foundation Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Messiah University Jazz Ensemble
William Stouman and Mark Hunsberger, conductors
April 30 • High Center, Parmer Hall, 7:30 p.m.
**Messiah University Percussion Ensemble**  
Erik Forst, conductor  
May 1 • High Center, Parmer Hall, 4:00 p.m.

**Messiah University Handbell Choir**  
Shawn Gingrich, director  
May 1 • High Center, Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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