THE CAPE FEAR CHORALE

presents

A CONCERT of SACRED MUSIC

Soloists

Beth Bell, soprano David Pixley, tenor

Beth Crowley, alto Brad W. Cook, baritone

Fred Bayers, bass

String Ensemble

Roy Robuck, violin Jane Tierney, violin Douglas Vaughan, viola Michael Pope, cello

Vincent Stout, bass

Jerry S. Cribbs, conductor Gregory L. Bell, organist

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church March 15, 1999 7:30 p.m.

Laudate Coeli Dominum

Johann Adolf Hasse

(1699-1783)

Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: The Lord is above all nations, and His glory above the heavens. The Lord has made His salvation known. He has revealed His justice.

Stabat Mater

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

There stood the Mother grieving, Beside the cross weeping, While on it hung her Son.

Whose saddened soul, Sighing and suffering, A sword pierced through.

O how sad and how afflicted Was that blessed Mother Of the Only-Begotten!

Loving Mother, who was grieving And suffering, while she beheld The torments of her glorious Son.

Who is the man who would not weep If he should see the Mother of Christ In such great distress?

Oh Mother, fount of love, Make me feel the force of your grief, So that I may mourn with you,

Let me be wounded by His wounds, Cause me to be filled by the Cross And the Blood of your Son.

Holy Mother, may you do this: Fix the stripes of the Crucified Deeply into my heart.

When my body perishes, Grant that my soul be given The glory of Paradise. Amen.

Vesperae Solennes de Confessore, K339

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Dixit

The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool. The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion: be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies. In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning. The Lord sware, and will not repent: Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech. The Lord upon thy right hand: shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath. He shall judge among the heathen; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies: and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries. He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up his head. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Beatus vir

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord; he hath great delight in his commandments, his seed shall be mighty upon earth; the generation of the faithful shall be blessed. Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house; and his righteousness endureth forever. Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness: he is merciful, loving, and righteous. A good man is merciful, and lendeth: and will guide his words with discretion. For he shall never be moved: and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance. He will not be afraid of any evil tidings: for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord. His heart is established, and will not shrink: until he sees his desire upon his enemies. He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor; and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour. The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him: he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Laudate pueri

Praise the Lord, ye servants: O praise the Name of the Lord. Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time forth for evermore. The Lord's name is praised: from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same. The Lord is high above all heathen: and his glory above the heavens. Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high: and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth? He taketh up the simple out of the dust: and lifteth the poor out of the mire; that he may set him with the princes: even with the princes of his people. He maketh the barren woman to keep house: and to be a joyful mother of children. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Laudate Dominum

O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise him, all ye nations. For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden. For behold, from henceforth: alli generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and the meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath helped his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Cape Fear Chorale

Sopranos
Beth Bell
Marcie Clemmer
Cheryl Cribbs
Jane Hanson
Nancy Kuske
Marcia Larson
Marion Little
Emma Mahn
Kathy May
Marci Raines
Myrtle Sanders
Bernice Saunders
Mary Wilmer

Altos Beth Crowley Ursula Flügel-Corrigan Susan Gardner Barbara Marshall Guy Shirley Halvorson Margaret Hutchins Cheryl Lanouette Carol Leeuwenburg Shirley Mattes Nancy McCurtin Rita Morgan Judy Slebold Nina Sullivan Paggy Wright Gaile Zack

Tenors
Andre Brillaud
David Halvorson
Wayne Leblanc
Raymond McCurtin
David Pixley
Charles Sanders
Fred Sanders

Basses
Fred Bayers
Brad W. Cook
Brian Little
Charles Mattes
Norman Robinson
David Wilmer
Edward Wright

Jerry S. Cribbs

is in his seventh year as Director of Arts Education for New Hanover County Schools in Wilmington. Previously, he served as the choral director at John T. Hoggard High School and E. A. Laney High School. Mr. Cribbs has taught general music, band, and chorus from the elementary level through the collegiate level and has conducted numerous community choruses. He has served as choral clinician and choral adjudicator throughout the Eastern United States.

Mr. Cribbs is in his thirteenth year as Music Director at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Wilmington, where he conducts vocal and handbell choirs.

He received his Bachelors and Masters of Music Education degrees as well as Supervision Certification from East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina.

Gregory L. Bell

is organist at Messiah Lutheran Church and is staff accompanist in the Music Department at University of North Carolina – Wilmington. Mr. Bell has performed on six European tours with choirs from UNC-W, presenting programs in Germany, Austria, Holland and the United Kingdom. He also serves as planist for Opera House Theatre, and was recently music director for two of the musicals performed by Opera House.

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