



Our Choral Sanctuary

Cantiamo Women's Choir

Saturday, May 13, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Woodroffe United Church

Founding Artistic Director: Jackie Hawley

Accompanist: Tahlia De Corso

Program

*Canadian

- ◆ A Song of Songs — [Mary Goetze](#)
- ◆ Drei geistliche Chöre, Op.37 — [Johannes Brahms](#)
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- ◆ Cantique de Jean Racine — [Gabriel Fauré](#), Arr. [John Rutter](#)
- ◆ Blinded by a Leafy Crown — [Marie-Claire Saindon](#)*
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- ◆ I Dreamed of Rain — [Jan Garrett](#)*, Arr. [Larry Nickel](#)*
- ◆ Chelsea Morning — [Joni Mitchell](#)*, Arr. [Laura Hawley](#)*
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- ◆ Your One and Only Life — [Susan Crowe](#)*, Arr. [Stephen Smith](#)*
Music Library Sponsorship: To Jackie Hawley and the Cantiamo Women's Choir, from Anonymous 2023
- ◆ You Are the New Day — [John David](#), Arr. [Philip Lawson](#)
- ◆ We Rise Again — [Leon Dubinsky](#)*, Arr. [Lydia Adams](#)*
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Choristers

Soprano 1

Maryn Hendry
Sharon Keenan-Hayes
Kim McMillan
Robyn McQuaid
Jessica Morrison
Kathryn Morrison
Suzanne Morrison
Ashlee Mulligan
Andra Popescu
Claire Robertson
Annika Vine

Soprano 2

Kati Auchinleck
Rae Bourassa
Lisa Cruickshank
Fiona Dewar
Cheryl Farris-Manning
Kathy Goodsell
Susan Greene
Alana Hendry
Amy Leslie-Smith
Laura Newton-Miller

Alto 1

Ariel Birkinshaw
Joan Coulter
Zoe Hogeterp
Jennifer Koop
Susan Mayo
Jennifer McAlister
Jane Pickett
Kim Power
Marion Whitford

Alto 2

Leslie Bricker
Julie Champagne
Margot Lange
Anna Luksic
Catherine Peters
Barbara Prime
Janet Siltanen
LaVonne Venables

Thank You

Thank you to Carlo Verdicchio for production and stage management, to Ian Venables for the audio recording, and to Kate Batty for organizing our wonderful volunteers.

Thank you to our volunteers, organizing committee, and Cantiamo Women's Choir Choristers.

and

Many thanks to you, the audience members, for coming out and supporting our choir!
We hope you enjoyed the concert!

A Song of Songs



Text: Ralph Waldo Emerson
Music: Mary Goetze

Let me go where e'er I will, I hear a skyborn music still:
It sounds from old, from all things old,
It sounds from young, from all things young,
From all that's fair, from all that's foul,
Peals out a joyous song.

It is not only in the rose,
It is not only in the bird,
Nor only where the rainbow glows,
Not in the song of woman heard,

But in the darkest, meanest things, something sings.
There always, always something sings.

'Tis not in the high stars alone,
Nor in the cup of budding flow'rs,
Nor in the red-breast's mellow tone,
Nor in the bow that smiles in show'rs,

But in the darkest, meanest things, something sings.
There always, always something sings.

Let me go where e'er I will, I hear a skyborn music still:
It sounds from old, from all things old,
It sounds from young, from all things young,
From all that's fair, from all that's foul,
Peals out a song, a joyous song,
Peals out a song, a joyous song,
Peals out a song, a skyborn music still.

Drei geistliche Chöre, Op. 37



Three Sacred Choruses for Women's Voices
Music : Johannes Brahms
Translation : Jean Lunn

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Translation:

I. O bone Jesu

O bone Jesu, miserere nobis,
Quia tu creasti nos,
Tu redemisti nos
Sanguine tuo praetiosissimo.

II. Adoramus

Adoramus te, Christe,
et benedicimus tibi,
quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti
mundum,
Qui passus est pro nobis.
Domine, miserere nobis.

III. Regina coeli

Regina coeli laetare,
Alleluja!
quia quem meruisti portare,
Alleluja!
resurrexit sicut dixit,
Ora pro nobis Deum,
Alleluja!
Regina coeli, gaude et laetare,
Virgo, Maria, quia surrexit Dominus vero,
Alleluja!

I. O Gracious Jesu

O gracious Jesu, show Thy mercy upon us,
For Thou hast created us,
Thou hast redeemed us
By Thy passion and by Thy most precious blood.

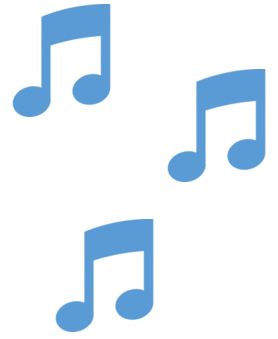
II. We Adore Thee

We adore Thee, Lord Christ Jesus,
And we exalt Thee and praise Thee,
Who by Thy blessed cross and passion didst redeem
all nations,
And who for us didst suffer.
Blessed Lord, have mercy upon us.

III. Our Lady and Queen of Heaven

Our Lady and Queen of heaven, be joyful,
Alleluja!
Because God made Thee worthy to bear Him,
Alleluja!
That is risen as He promised,
Alleluja!
Plead for us with the Father,
Alleluja!
O Queen of heaven, triumph and be joyful;
O holy Mary, Jesus the Saviour truly is risen.
Alleluja!

Cantique de Jean Racine



Text: Jean Racine
Music: Gabriel Fauré
Arranged by : John Rutter

Verbe égal au Très-Haut,
Notre unique espérance,
Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux,
(De la paisible nuit)
Nous rompons le silence,
Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux,
Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux.

Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante,
que tout l'enfer, que tout l'enfer fuie au son
de ta voix,
Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante,
Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois,
Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois!

Ô Christ, sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle
pour te bénir maintenant rassemblé,
Reçois les chants qu'il offre,
à ta gloire, à ta gloire immortelle,
et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé,
Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé!
Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé!

Translation :

O divine Word above,
Our hope and consolation,
Eternal light of the heavens and the earth:
Our voices greet the morning;
(Look down, O Lord)
And hear thy people's prayer!

Inspire us, Lord, we pray, With the pow'r of thy Spirit,
That hell may flee, that hell may flee before thy
mighty word.
From slumber waken us, Our souls reviving,
That we may never forget all thy laws,
That we may never forget all thy laws!

Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on thy congregation
Now gathered here in the sight of thy throne;
To thy glory, to thy glory;
Renewed by thy gifts may they go forth in peace,
Renewed by thy gifts may they go forth in peace.
Renewed by thy gifts may they go forth in peace.

Blinded by a Leafy Crown

Text: Sara Teasdale
Music: Marie-Claire Saindon
Sonic Timelapse Project 2021 (included in Cantiamo commission)

One by one, one by one,
One by one, oh one by one.

One by one, like leaves from a tree,
All my faiths have forsaken me;
But all the stars above my head, Burn in white and delicate red,
And beneath my feet the earth Brings the sturdy grass to birth.
I, I who was content to be But a silken singing tree.
But a rustle of delight In the wistful heart of night

I have lost the leaves that knew Touch of rain and weight of dew.
Blinded by a leafy crown I looked neither up nor down.
But the little leaves that die Have left me room to see the sky;
Now I know for the first time, I know,
Stars above, stars above, stars above, and earth, earth below.

Common Silence



Text: Linda Studley
Music: Marie-Claire Saindon

Sonic Timelapse Project 2021 (Jackie Hawley commissioned as part of the Conductor's Consortium)

In common silence, in common silence is found,
In common silence, is often found rare answers,
Is often found rare answers,
Shhh, listen closely, shhh, listen closely,
Shhh, listen closely, shhh, listen, listen,
The heartbeat you feel, the heartbeat you feel may emanate,
The heartbeat you feel may emanate from the world, not just your own chest.

In common silence, in common silence, Shhh, listen closely, Shhh, listen closely,
In common silence, in common silence, listen, Shhh, listen closely, shhh, listen closely,
Shhh, listen.

The power, the power, the combined power of ev'ry, of ev'ry dream dreamed
Is found, is found, is found in common silence.
The combined power of ev'ry dream dreamed is found in common silence.
The combined power of ev'ry dream dreamed is found in common silence.
In common silence.

Singkap Siaga

Music: Tracy Wong *

Commissioned by Sonic Timelapse Project and members of a Conductors' Commission Club, including Cantiamo Choirs of Ottawa and Founding Artistic Director Jackie Hawley.

Text (Malasian)

Singkap: "to open, to reveal, quick change"

Siaga: "ever ready"

Vocables ("based on the...vocal equivalent of the stylings and tone of the traditional instruments used in the *Wayang Kulit Kelantan*" Malay tradition of shadow puppet theatre)

I Dreamed of Rain



Text and Music: Jan Garrett
Arranged by: Larry Nickel

I dreamed of rain and the rains came,
Soft and easy, sweet and clear.
I dreamed of rain and the rains came,
And peace spread over the land.

I dreamed of summer and the winds changed,
And the green was easy and the rivers ran clear
I dreamed of summer and the winds changed
And peace spread over the land.

And the flowers bloomed in the desert,
And the air is fresh and clear.
I dreamed of rain and the rains came
And peace spread over the land.

I dreamed of freedom and the moon rose,
And the way was easy and the path was clear.
I dreamed of freedom and the moon rose
And peace spread over the land.

And the guardian stars, are shining,
And the night is bright and clear.
I dreamed of freedom and the moon rose,
And peace spread over the land.

I dreamed of heaven and the earth sang
And the sound was easy, the song was clear.
I dreamed of heaven and the earth sang
And peace spread over the land.

And the ancient pain, is forgotten,
And the father's debts are clear.
I dreamed of heaven and the earth sang
Peace spread over the land.
I dreamed of rain and the rains came,
I dreamed of rain and the rains came

Chelsea Morning



Music and Text: Joni Mitchell *
Arranged by: Laura Hawley

Woke up, it was a Chelsea morning, and the first thing that I heard
Was a song outside my window, and the traffic wrote the words
It came a-ringing up like Christmas bells and rapping up like pipes and drums
Oh, won't you stay?
We'll put on the day
And we'll wear it 'till the night comes

Woke up, it was a Chelsea morning, and the first thing that I saw
Was the sun through yellow curtains, and a rainbow on the wall
Blue, red, green and gold to welcome you, crimson crystal beads to beckon
Oh, won't you stay?
We'll put on the day;
There's a sun show every second

Now the curtain opens on a portrait of today,
And the streets are paved with passers-by,
And pigeons fly
And papers lie
Waiting to blow away

Woke up, it was a Chelsea morning, and the first thing that I knew
There was milk and toast and honey and a bowl of oranges, too
And the sun poured in like butterscotch and stuck to all my senses
Oh, won't you stay?
We'll put on the day
And we'll talk in present tenses

When the curtain closes and the rainbow runs away
I will bring you incense owls by night
By candlelight
By jewel-light
If only you will stay
Pretty baby, won't you
Wake up, it's a Chelsea morning

Your One and Only Life



Text and Music: Susan Crowe
Arranged by: Stephen Smith

About a thousand years ago, when I was very young.
My hair burned like the sea beneath an ever rising sun.
My blood ran thick with promise,
I was tender to the bone,
But now I'm Evangeline, made of stone.

Refrain

This is your one and only life what will you do?
This is your one and only life what will you do?

Now the meteors of August, they fly all through my hair.
The day will come when I will rise to find my eye less fair.
And this body scorched by beauty and these hands I left unplayed
What was I waiting for, afraid?

Refrain

This is your one and only life what will you do?
This is your one and only life what will you do?

You can dream, you can imagine,
You can simply hope and pray,
You can save yourself for glory, you can wait 'til judgement day,
You can hold out 'til you stand a breath away from heaven's gate.
Your day of redemption will come too late.

Refrain

This is your one and only life what will you do?
This is your one and only life what will you do?

This is your wild, your precious, your one and only life what will you do?
This is your one and only life what will you do?

You Are the New Day



Text and Music: John David
Originally arranged for The King's Singers by: Peter Knight
Arranged for SSA: Philip Lawson

You are the new day. You are the new day.
I will love you more than me and more than yesterday
If you can but prove to me you are the new day.

Send the sun in time for dawn, let the birds all hail the morning.
Love of life will urge me say, you are the new day.

When I lay me down at night knowing we must pay,
Thoughts occur that this night might stay yesterday.

Thoughts that we as humans small
Lie around me where they fall before the new day.

One more day when time is running out for ev'ry one,
Like a breath I knew would come I reach for a new day.

Hope is my philosophy, just needs days in which to be,
Love of life means hope for me, borne on a new day. New day.

We Rise Again



Text and Music: Leon Dubinsky
Arranged by: Lydia Adams

In memory: John Oliver Tunnell 2007

When the waves roll on over the waters,
And the ocean cries,
We look to our sons and daughters to explain our lives.

Refrain

As if a child could tell us why
That as sure as the sunrise, as sure as the sea,
As sure as the wind in the trees,

We rise again in the faces of our children,
We rise again in the voices of our song,
We rise again in the waves out on the ocean,
And then we rise again.

When the light goes dark with the forces of creation
Across a stormy sky,
We look to reincarnation to explain our lives.

Refrain

As if a child could tell us why
That as sure as the sunrise, as sure as the sea,
As sure as the wind in the trees,

We rise again in the faces of our children,
We rise again in the voices of our song,
We rise again in the waves out on the ocean,
And then we rise again.

Refrain

As if a child could tell us why
That as sure as the sunrise, as sure as the sea,
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We rise again in the faces of our children,
We rise again in the voices of our song,
We rise again in the waves out on the ocean,
And then we rise again.

And then we rise again.
Ah, We rise again.