THE ST. OLAF CHAMBER SINGERS THE BACH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

THEREES TKACH HIBBARD, CONDUCTOR
JAMES BOBB, HARPSICHORD

OF MERCY AND MAJESTY

The Song of Mary from ancient times continues to speak to us in the present day as a message of personal faith and commitment to serving others; of seeking justice and compassion, and of practicing kindness and humility through good works.

This Magnificat text, "my soul magnifies the greatness of the Lord," has inspired generations of composers, and Bach's setting reflects these attributes in a series of jewel-like movements that magnify the overarching themes of praise, dedication and mercy. In anticipation of Advent and the Christmas season, Bach inserted additional choruses to enhance the meaning and message of the twelve original movements of his *Magnificat*. In this same spirit, we have interpolated several additional works into our Magnificat performance to underscore Bach's themes of justice, love and mercy that continue to find relevance for us in our own times.

It is with this broader view of the human spirit of service and surrender, justice and mercy that we bring this historic music to life once again as a celebration of joy as we anticipate the upcoming season of hope.

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Please hold your applause until the end of the concert

Magnificat [excerpt]

Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

My soul magnifies the greatness of the Lord And my spirit has exulted in God my savior. For he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed.

A Hymn To The Mother Of God

John Tavener (1944-2013)

In You, O Woman full of Grace, the angelic choirs, and the human race, all creation rejoices.

O sanctified Temple, mystical Paradise, and glory of Virgins.

In You, O Woman full of Grace, all creation rejoices. all praise be to You.

Magnificat in D Major, BWV 243

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

I. Magnificat anima mea Dominum

My soul magnifies the greatness of the Lord.

II. Et exultavit spiritus meus

and my spirit has exulted in God my savior.

Katherine Hagaman, soprano

Exsultate Deo

Alessandro Scarlatti (1659–1725)

Sing joyfully to God our strength; sing loud unto the God of Jacob!

III. Quia respexit humilitatem

For he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed.

Lacy Williams, soprano

IV. Omnes generations

All generations

V. Quia fecit mihi magna

because he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

Ian Schipper, bass

VI. Et Misericordia

and His mercy continues from generation to generation for those who fear him.

Daniel Haakenson, alto Alexander Famous, tenor

Et Misericordia

Kim André Arnesen (b. 1980)

Katherine Hagaman, soprano Kaitlyn Clawson, piano

VII. Fecit potentiam

He has made known the power of his arm, scattered those who are arrogant in the thoughts of their heart.

Glory To God In The Highest

Randall Thompson (1899–1984)

Glory to God in the highest And on earth peace, goodwill t'ward men. Glory to God in the highest.

VIII. Deposuit potentes

He has put down the mighty from their seats [of power] and raised up those who are lowly.

Jacob Wilde, tenor

Os Justi

Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

The mouth of the righteous speaks wisdom and their tongues talk of judgement. The law of their God is in their hearts; none of their steps shall slide. Alleluia.

IX. Esurientes implevit bonis

The hungry he has filled with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

Felisa Armitage, *mezzo soprano*

Kyrie eleison

Yiannis Drositis

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

Jenna Leonard, mezzo soprano

Raymond Ebarb, bass

Kaitlyn Clawson, piano

X. Suscepit Israel

He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy

Madeline Peterson, soprano Anna Koopmann, soprano Olivia Munson, alto

Stand by Me

Jerry Lieber, Mike Stoller, and Ben E. King arr. Mark De-Lisser

When the night has come And the land is dark And the moon is the only light we see No I won't be afraid No I won't be afraid Just as long as you stand, stand by me

And darling, darling stand by me
Oh, now, now, stand by me
Stand by me, stand by me
If the sky that we look upon
Should tumble and fall
And the mountain should crumble to the sea
I won't cry, I won't cry
No I won't shed a tear
Just as long as you stand, stand by me

Logan Combs, tenor Kaitlyn Clawson, piano

XI. Sicut locutus est

in accordance with what he promised to our forefathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.

XII. Gloria Patri

Glory to the Father, glory to the Son, glory to the Holy Spirit! As it was in the beginning and is now and always throughout ages of ages. Amen.

BACH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Harpsichord/continuo

James Bobb

Violin I

Jessica Folson Anna Raphael Elin Schlichting

Violin II

Clara Brown Grace Pugh Kalli Sobania

Viola

Zachariah Granowski Margaret Liss

Cello/continuo

Anna Seppa

Bass/continuo

Beatrice Hammel

Flute

Lauren Flaten Hannah Read

Oboe

Kristen Diederichs Colin Lang

Bassoon/continuo

Naomi Brandt

Trumpet

Annie Amen Jacob West Steven Garcia

Timpani

Sophie Koehler

ST. OLAF CHAMBER SINGERS

Therees Tkach Hibbard, *director* Kaitlyn Clawson, collaborative *pianist* Jonathan Madden, *student assistant*

SOPRANO

Katherine Hagaman Emily Kaliski Anna Koopmann Madeline Miller Madeline Peterson Annika Seager Lacy Williams

ALTO

Felisa Armitage Emma Bergman Emily Chmielewski Kaitlyn Clawson Daniel Haakenson Jenna Leonard Olivia Munson Julia Walter

TENOR

Michael Caraher Logan Combs Alexander Famous Noah Han Richard Spahn Jacob Wilde

BASS/BARITONE

Jayden Browne Raymond Ebarb Nicholas Hinson Christopher Kopits Jonathan Madden Ian Schipper

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