

# Agápe

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Deo Cantamus of Minnesota



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## A Word From the Conductor

From the start, Deo Cantamus (“We Sing For God”) has had as its core mission a commitment to high standards in an effort to honor Christ. We serve by giving of ourselves. We educate by giving participants and audience an opportunity to grow musically. We worship by coming together as believers and using great music as a vehicle for honoring Him.

This afternoon we present what is often recognized as one of the most well-known and frequently performed choral works in all of Western music; Messiah by George Frederic Handel. Although many people associate Messiah with the Christmas season, the premiere performance in Dublin was on April 13, 1742, and was initially conceived to be more appropriate for Easter. Our presentation will be only Parts II & III of this masterpiece. While less familiar, it is no-less masterful, focusing on the persecution, death, resurrection, and eternal glory of our Lord.

In April of 2016, then Executive Director James Anderson wrote, “...every year thousands of musicians around the world perform George Frederick Handel’s masterful oratorio Messiah for tens of thousands of people. The gospel message of the libretto couldn’t be clearer. Yet how many of the performers or audience members have truly trusted in that Messiah alone for their salvation? Apart from saving faith, the performances, no matter how excellent, become merely music for music’s sake...” Our prayer is that our rendering will take you beyond the notes on the page.

On this Palm Sunday weekend, we invite you to celebrate the wondrous work of Christ with us as we anticipate Resurrection Sunday with this glorious music.



# part II

*Messiah*..... George Frederic Handel  
1685-1759

## Scene 1: Christ's Passion

*Behold the Lamb of God  
He was despised  
Surely, He hath borne our griefs  
And with His stripes we are healed  
All we like sheep have gone astray  
All they that see Him laugh him to scorn  
He trusted in God  
Thy rebuke hath broken His heart  
Behold and see if there be any sorrow*

## Scene 2: Christ's Death and Resurrection

*He was cut off out of the land of the living  
But thou didst leave His soul in hell*

## Scene 3: Christ's Ascension

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates*

## Scene 4: Christ's Reception in Heaven

*Unto which of the angels said he at any time  
Let all the angels of God worship him*

## Scene 5: The Beginnings of Gospel Preaching

*Thou art gone up on high  
The Lord gave the word  
How beautiful are the feet  
Their sound is gone out*

## Scene 6: The World's Rejection of the Gospel

*Why do the nations so furiously rage together?  
Let us break their bonds asunder*

## Scene 7: God's Ultimate Victory

*He that dwelleth in heaven  
Thou shalt break them  
Hallelujah*



# part III

*Messiah*..... George Frederic Handel  
1685-1759

## Scene 1: The Promise of Eternal Life

*I know that my Redeemer liveth  
Since by Man came death*

## Scene 2: The Day of Judgement

*Behold, I tell you a mystery  
The trumpet shall sound*

## Scene 3: The Final Conquest of Sin

*Then shall be brought to pass  
Oh death, where is thy sting?  
But thanks be to God  
If God be for us*

## Scene 4: The Acclamation of the Messiah

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain  
Amen*



# participants

## Chorale

### Soprano

Briana Adams  
Marisa Anderson  
\*Nikki Eoute  
Jeni Houser  
Julie Kari  
Sara Landin  
\*Samantha Laumann  
Sarah Leitzke  
Bonnie Oberg  
\*Heather Payne  
\*Annie Tillotson

### Alto

Kerri-Lynn Bielinski  
Jody Blauw  
Brianna Carroll  
Leah Danielson  
Annelies Harmon  
Debbie Isaacs  
Ingrid Johnson  
\*Kate LaCava  
Tabitha Magnuson  
\*Kathy Tschida  
Lora Tverberg

### Tenor

Matthew Bruffey  
Shawn Cowell  
Cameron Dahlstrom  
\*Michael Fowler  
\*Jack Fure  
\*Richard Joseph  
Brian Knox  
\*Brad Smith  
\*Jake Thede  
Ian Trosen  
Gary Whiteford

### Bass

Jason Floyd  
\*Raymond Graybar  
\*Elijah Hager  
Dan Johnson  
\*Matt LaCava  
Peter Magnuson  
Tom Oberg  
Eric Patenaude  
Jeff Raehl  
Dylan Sauder  
Caleb Siefkes

\* indicates soloist

## Orchestra

### Violin I

Angela Hanson  
Brittany Quinn  
Kelby Strobel

### Violin II

David Kozamchuk  
Mikki Hutchinson  
Maddie Harrington

### Viola

Charles Gray  
Marissa Frye

### Cello

Ben Osterhouse  
Lindsay Schlemmer

### Bass

Michael Watson

### Oboe

Lily Mitzel  
Caroline Schmitter

### Bassoon

Ariel Detwiler

### Percussion

John Povolny

### Trumpet

Phil Norris  
Elizabeth Schmitter

### Organ

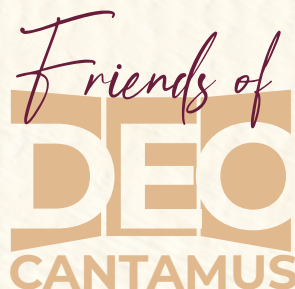
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Kay Hawkins



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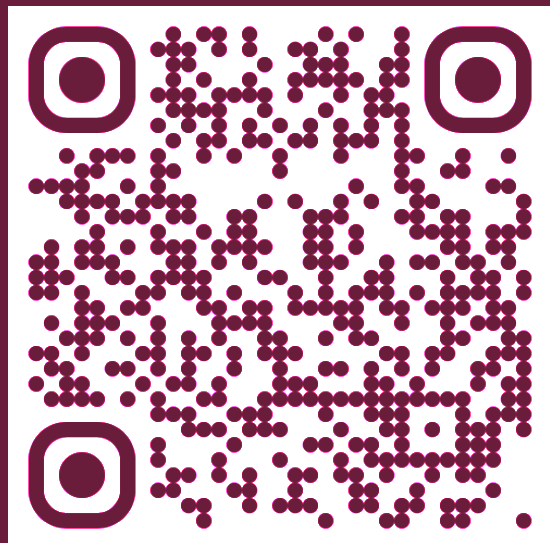
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