

Lancaster Chorale Update and Calendar - January, 2023

Dear members of the Lancaster Chorale as well as alumni and others with interest,

I bring you new year's greetings and an update of our plans for the spring concert season. First I would like to repeat the sounding joy of our successful re-entry with our fall concert. It was a good start after a long and trying break. Our performance and our attendance was strong. Our finances are also strong. Praise the Lord! I am planning on a small-ish instrumental ensemble (brass and percussion) for the Spring with the hopes of a large-ish full orchestra for the fall 2023 concert.

Our concert date has been set for May 21 at 6:30 pm. Our first rehearsal will be Feb. 19 at 3 pm. A full schedule of all dates and times is included at the bottom of the letter. As always I am hoping that you can be in attendance for all or nearly all rehearsals. But there is flexibility as well as grace. When you are missing we all feel it so I ask your commitment level to be high. Know, however, that plenteous grace may be found when you need it. We would rather have you miss some but still perform than stopping dropping entirely from the group.

I have attached a list of all the songs for the spring performance with YouTube links when they were available. Our 4 movement featured work, *Pathways to the Cross* by Robert Young, is out of print and there is no YouTube video. I am in the process of procuring copy and performance rights for the work. It is a highly devotional and profoundly spiritual piece with narration. It may become one of your favorite pieces you have ever performed. Many of our pieces include a brass ensemble with percussion and organ. These kinds of pieces are always exciting. I have also included a spiritual and several early (16th C.) works. The focus is Jesus, His passion, resurrection, ascension and the power of His name. The music packet will be around \$30. Scholarships are available. God bless you all - Bruce

The schedule:

Sun. 2/19 2 pm registration , 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 2/26 2:30 pm registration, 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 3/5 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sat. 3/11 - SUPER Saturday - 9-noon, bring a snack tot share
Sun. 3/12 - OFF
Sun. 3/19 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 3/26 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 4/2 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 4/9 Easter Sunday - OFF
Sun. 4/16 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 4/23 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 4/30 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sun. 5/7 3-5 pm rehearsal
Sat. 5/13 Mother's Day Saturday 10-12 - no super snacks
Sun 5/14 Mother's Day OFF
Sat. 5/20 Dress Rehearsal 9-noon - no super snacks
Sun. 5/21 Concert 6:30 pm, call time 4:30 pm

The Lancaster Chorale
Program - At the Name of Jesus
Spring 2023

1. I'll Praise My Maker Lloyd Pfautsch
w/ brass 3-0-3-1 no perc, no organ. (may add perc)



This is the best performance on YouTube but it does not include brass

2. O Clap Your Hands Ralph Vaughan Williams
w/brass 3-0-3-1 perc, organ

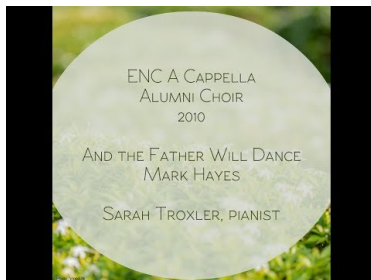


3. Psalm 4 Heinrich Schütz. ed. Gerlach
organ



Historically accurate performance in German. Our version will have a different sound but the 2-part melodies will be the same. In English.

4. And the Father Will Dance Mark Hayes
piano



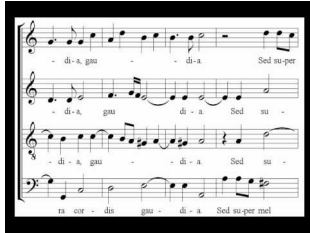
5. The Lord is My Shepherd.

Thomas Matthews



6. Jesu dulcis memoria
a cappella (or light organ 8')

T. L. de Victoria



7. Festival Piece on St. Anne
w/ brass 2-0-2-0 perc and organ (may add parts)

Eugene Butler



Intermission

1. Thy Will Be Done
piano

Craig Courtney



2. Pathways to the Cross
organ and narration

Robert Young

1. Prelude
2. Hosanna! Blessed Is He!
3. Gethsemane
4. I See His Blood Upon the Rose

3. He Has the Power
piano

Leon C. Roberts



4. Give Me Jesus

L. L. Fleming



5. At the Name of Jesus
piano and brass 3-1-3-1 perc

Cindy Berry



Encore - The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter

