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CELEBRATION OF WINTER IN MUSIC AND POETRY

Adelphian Concert Choir Voci d'Amici

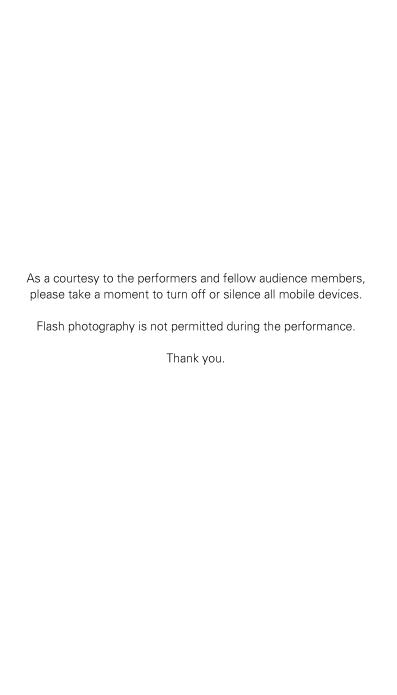
> STEVEN ZOPFI, CONDUCTOR REV. DAVID WRIGHT '96, NARRATOR

MUSIC BY HUGHES, MENDELSSOHN, ROSSI, STOPFORD, AND OTHERS

SATURDAY 7:30 p.m.

DEC.7 DEC.8 2p.m. 2019





#### **PROGRAM**

Adelphian Concert Choir Voci d'Amici Steven Zopfi, conductor Rev. David Wright '96, narrator Emma Kelly '18, organ Jeff Caldwell, piano

# Please hold your applause until the end of each half.

# I. Adelphian Concert Choir

Quem Pastores/Personent HodieTraditional German Carol/arr. Hols
The one praised by the shepherds, to whom the angels said, "Now lay aside your fears," has been born the king of glory.
Let the voices of children resound today. Joyfully praising Him who is born to us, Given by the most high God, and conceived in the virgin's womb.
GaudeteSteven Sametz (b. 1954
Rejoice! Christ is born of the Virgin Mary; rejoice! The time of grace has come for which we have prayed; Let us devoutly sing songs of joy. God is made man, while nature wonders; The world is renewed by Christ the King. The closed gate of Ezekial has been passed through; From where the Light has risen, salvation is found. Therefore, let our assembly sing praises now at this time of purification; Let it bless the Lord; greetings to our King.
Ave MariaGregorian Chant/J. Edmund Hughes (b. 1947
Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with thee,

Blessed are thou among women,

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

### Reading 1: Getting Up Early - Anne Porter

There Shall A Star From Jacob......Felix Mendlessohn-Bartholdy (1809–1847) Carol: O Come, All Ye Faithful.....arr. Willcocks (Audience invited to sing along) Ise Yoshimoto '20, Lucy Prichard '21, violins; David Wetzel '21, viola; Eliott Wells '21, cello O come, all ye faithful, Jovful and triumphant! Oh, come ye, oh come ye to Bethlehem. Come and behold him. Born the King of angels; O come, let us adore him: Oh. come. let us adore him: Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord. Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation; Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above! Glory to God, Glory in the highest; Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n. Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing; O come... II. Voci d'Amici The Gift.....arr. Chilcott Reading 2: from The Rebirthing of God: "The Temple of the Mother - John **Philip Newell** Lully, Lulla......Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

Ai, nama mamina	arr. Jansons
Oh, Mistress of the house, Oh, Mistress of the hous Mummers have arrived by the wagonload. Hide the a The crowds of mummers are stealthy folks. I won't steal your awls or needles. I'll steal your brus I'll need that to brush the mummer children's hair. Kaladu, kaladu!	awls, hide the brushes.
INTERMISSION	
Introit: Noël Grand jeu et DuoLoui	s-Claude Daquin (1694–1772)
Emma Kelly '18, organ	
III. Voci d'Amici	
Past Three O'clock	arr. Wood
Sara Gossom '20, soprano; Kerry Miller '21, alto Neil Little '20, bass	; Eli Kitchens '22, tenor;
Elohim HashivenuSa	lomone Rossi (c. 1570–1630)
O God, restore us; And cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved. O God of hosts, restore us; And cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved. O Lord God of hosts, Restore us; Cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved.	
Reading 3: Santa's Privacy Policy – from <i>McSwee</i>	ney's Internet Tendency
The Christmas Can-Can	arr. Chase
Carol: Joy to the World(Audience invited to sing along)	arr. Rutter
Ise Yoshimoto '20, Lucy Prichard '21, violins; I Eliott Wells '21, cello	David Wetzel '21, viola;

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King! Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love, and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.

# IV. Adelphian Concert Choir

God Is Seen.....arr. Parker

Reading 4: Crystal Rim – Khwāja Shams-ud-Dīn Muḥammad Ḥāfeẓ	-e Shīrāzī
Mi Zeh Hidlik	arr. Chilcott.
Tamara Dobranic, harp	
Who lit these thin candles that are shining like stars? Even little children know that today is Chanukah. All the joyful candles, all the lovable candles, burn, move, twinkle; The children stand out around them, and there is no end of joy.	
The Word Was GodRosephanye Pow	vell (b. 1962)
Carol: Silent Night(Audience invited to sing Verses I and II)	arr. Rutter

Tamara Dobranic, harp; Ise Yoshimoto '20, Lucy Prichard '21, violins; David Wetzel '21, viola; Eliott Wells '21, cello Verse I
Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin mother and child,
Holy infant, so tender and mild:
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Verse II
Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds first saw the sight:
Glories stream from heaven a far,
Heavenly host sing alleluia;
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born.

"All Of Us" from Considering Matthew Shepard......Craig Hella Johnson (b. 1962)

Sara Gossom '20, soprano; Elizabeth Lotte '20, Emma Georgiou '21, mezzo sopranos; Sydney Morgan '22, bass; Seth Ruud '21, drums

#### **PROGRAM NOTES**

Welcome to WinterFest 2019, our celebration of winter in song and poetry. Our music comes from the classical musical world, from folk traditions, and from popular a cappella. The concert opens with the traditional German carol *Quem Pastores* sung *in wechsel* from the four corners of the chapel as is the custom. This is paired Gustav Holst's modern version of the Renaissance Christmas carol *Personent Hodie* for organ and choir. From the classical world our selections span the gamut from the ancient Gregorian Chant *Ave Maria* to the Early Romantic Germany of Felix Mendelssohn's *There Shall A Star From Jacob* to modern compositions inspired by older music such as the *Ave Maria* by J. Edmund Hughes and Philip Stopford's lovely *Lully, Lulla, Lullay.* Steven Sametz's *Gaudete* is a virtuosic reconception of a traditional carol that seems to change meter almost every measure. And *The Word Was God* by African-American composer, Rosephanye Powell, bursts with rhythmic motion as it tells of the creation of the world in six days.

Music of the Jewish tradition is represented by Bob Chilcot's arrangement of the wistful Chanukah song, *Mi Zeh Hidlik* and Salamone Rossi's *Elohim hashivenu*, which could find a home alongside works by the Renaissance masters Palestrina and Byrd. We honor the folk traditions of England and the United States with the traditional English *Past Three O'clock* that incorporates traditional calls from the London Town Waits and Cryers, and *The Gift* and *God Is Seen* stem from the American folk tradition. *Ai nama mamina* is a traditional Latvian mummers song arranged her for choir. *The Christmas Can-Can*, by popular a cappella group, *Straight No Chaser*, pokes gentle fun at the commercialization of Christmas and the exclusion of other winter faith traditions all set to Jacques Offenbach's immortal Can-Can melody.

Of course, we included some of our favorite carols so you can join in in the celebration. We end the concert with Craig Hella Johnson's inspirational *All of Us* from "Considering Matthew Shepard" to remind us that no matter our own particular traditions and practices at this time of year, we all share a common bond.

#### ADELPHIAN CONCERT CHOIR

Steven Zopfi, conductor

Soprano 1 Sigrun Payne '23 Aimee Roseberry '21 Patricia Sakschewsky '23 Lauren Taber '22

Soprano 2
Riley Granger '21
Sara Gossom '20
Sydney Icenogle '21
Kerry Miller '21
Jillian Shelver '22

Alto 1 Jordan Calhoun '22 Raine Filbert '23 Katy Hassing '23 Sophia McGough '21 Simone Moore '20 Alto 2
Gemini Docter/Shane
Bailey'20
Emma Georgiou '21
Sophie Paul '22
Elizabeth White '23

Tenor 1 Ayden Bolin '20 Ryan Carr '20 Sam Crosby-Schmidt '22 Eli Kitchens '22 Noah Schweitzer '22

Tenor 2 Colin Glaze '22 Nate Harmon '21 Reiley Hyun '23 James Roberts '22 Will Traynor '22 Bass 1 Will Balaam '23 Miles Cox '23 Julian Cuyjet '21 Dante Moody '23 Kevin Seymour '20

Bass 2 Will Cooper '22 Neil Little '20 Walt Semrau '21 Eliott Wells '21

# VOCI D'AMICI

Steven Zopfi, director

Soprano Sara Gossom '20 Sydney Icenogle '21 Jillian Shelver '22 Helen Woodruff '19

Tenor Eli Kitchens '22 Nathan Harmon '21 Reiley Hyun '23 Noah Schweitzer '22 Alto

Jordan Calhoun '22 Gemini Docter/Shane Bailey '20 Sophia McGough '21 Kerry Miller '21

Bass Will Cooper '22 Neil Little '20 Walt Semrau '21 Kevin Seymour '20

#### CONDUCTOR

**Steven Zopfi** is director of choral activities and professor of music at the University of Puget Sound where he oversees four choirs, teaches conducting, applied voice, and conducts the award-winning Adelphian Concert Choir. Prior to his appointment at Puget Sound, he served on the faculties of Penn State University, the University of Washington and Pacific Lutheran University. Choirs under his direction have been invited to sing at the local and regional conventions of the American Choral Director's Association, the National Association for Music Education, the Society of Composers, Inc., the Colorado Early Music Society, and other professional organizations.

A native of New Jersey, Zopfi has a Bachelor degree in music education from the Hartt School of Music, a Master of Music degree in conducting from the University of California, Irvine, and Doctor of Musical Arts in choral conducting from the University of Colorado. He taught in the public schools in Vermont and New York, where he also served as Vermont State President of the American Choral Directors Association and an executive board member of the Vermont Music Educators Association. Since coming to the Pacific Northwest in 2001 he continued to remain active in professional organizations serving as Chair of Collegiate Activities for WA ACDA and NW ACDA. He is in constant demand as a conductor, adjudicator, and clinician. In 2015 he was named the Outstanding Choral Conductor of the year by WA ACDA.

Dr. Zopfi served as artistic director of the Portland Symphonic Choir from 2003 to 2018, the official chorus of the Oregon Symphony Orchestra. Zopfi led the Oregon Symphony in performances of Mozart's Mass in C Minor, Stravinsky's Symphony of Psalms, and music by Beethoven, Bach, and Wagner Critics have hailed his work as "magical" and "superb." Zopfi has prepared choruses for Carlos Kalmar, Bernard Labadie, Alastair Willis, Murray Sidlin, Jean Marie Zeitouni, and Peter Schickele. As a singer, he has sung for many leading conductors including Robert Shaw and Sir David Wilcocks. He has performed with the Prague Philharmonic, the Colorado Symphony, the New Jersey Symphony, and the Pazardzhik Symphony and is the founder and past Artistic Director of the Foundling Hospital Singers, the Boulder Schola Cantorum, the Grace Chamber Orchestra, and The Portland Sinfonietta.

#### NARRATOR

**Rev. David Wright '96** joined the staff of the university in August 2006 as University Chaplain. Rev. Wright is an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church and a member of the Pacific Northwest Conference. Originally from Boston, he grew up in Phoenix but has lived most of his adult life in Western Washington. Rev. Wright and his spouse, Peggy Hannon '95, live in Kent with their cats.

As University Chaplain, Rev. Wright supports the breadth of spirituality and religious life activities on campus, in addition to helping students connect with Tacoma-area faith communities if they wish. He also develops programs for members of the campus community to ethically and intentionally engage with the world through social action and personal reflection on who we are and how we live.

#### **ORGANIST**

**Emma Kelly '18**, graduated from the University of Puget Sound with a Bachelor of Arts in music, studying piano and organ. She is the current organist at Mason United Methodist Church in Tacoma, and also works as an accompanist, performer, and teacher in the local area, as well as in her hometown of Thousand Oaks, Calif. In addition to her musical pursuits, Emma enjoys dancing, acting, and singing in her free time

#### **PIANIST**

**Jeff Caldwell** returns to Seattle after spending the past 13 years in New York City and now is working as vocal studies and choral activities areas collaborative pianist and vocal coach in the School of Music. He was on the faculty for the Juilliard School Drama Division as musical vocal coach, worked at NYU's Tisch School and CAP21 programs, and taught at AMDA as a voice teacher and staff accompanist. He played keyboard in the Broadway pit of *The Producers* and was a regular audition accompanist for Telsey + Company, especially for the Lincoln Center revival of *South Pacific* and its subsequent tours.

As a singer Caldwell performed with New York City Opera in the choruses of *Haroun* and the Sea of Stories, La Fanciulla del West, and Cendrillon, as well as with the New York Choral Artists with the New York Philharmonic and with the Vienna Philharmonic in Carnegie Hall. He has enjoyed a revitalization of his opera directing career (which originally brought him to Seattle years ago) with the grass roots company Operamission and their Handel Project, and has directed the North American premieres of Handel's first two operas, *Almira* and *Rodrigo*.

He was a frequent music director for the songwriting team of Dan Martin and Michael Biello, especially their short film *Papa's Prince* and the marriage equality project *First Comes Love*.

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#### **ADELPHIAN CONCERT CHOIR**

Founded in 1932, the Adelphian Concert Choir is one of the signature groups of the university and is recognized as one of the Northwest's most acclaimed ensembles. For more than 80 years this auditioned choir has sustained a level of choral excellence that has brought accolades from audiences in Canada, in Europe, and on the West Coast. It has appeared at the state, regional, and national conventions of both the American Choral Directors Association and the Music Educators National Conference. The Adelphians consistently receive the highest acclaim for standards in repertoire, interpretation, and musicianship.

#### VOCI D'AMICI

This a cappella 16-voice ensemble performs in holiday concerts every December. Its repertoire ranges from the Renaissance to the 21st century.

#### SPECIAL THANKS

Nicole Mulhausen
Schneebeck Concert Hall staff
Isabel Lane
Kilworth Memorial Chapel staff
Cantor Geoff Fine

#### **UPCOMING SCHOOL OF MUSIC EVENTS**

All events are free unless noted otherwise.

Tuesday, Dec. 10

## **Chorale and Dorian Singers**

J. Edmund Hughes and Kathryn Lehman, conductors Kilworth Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24

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Maria Sampen, violin Schneebeck Concert Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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