



Lux et Gloria

Light and Glory

St. Michael's Choir School 2026 Spring Tour

A sacred concert of reflection and rejoicing

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Senior Choir

Set 1: "Lux Aeterna" - *The Light Within*

*A contemplative arc of devotion, purity, and awakening
from Renaissance clarity to Romantic radiance*

(Selections from the following)

Sicut Cervus

*Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontem aquarum:
ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.*

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

*As the heart longs for water:
so my soul yearns for you, O God.
(Psalm 41:1)*

Jésus, Je Voudrais

*Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route.
Jésus, je voudrais t'annoncer à mes voisins partout;
car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'amour.
Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route.*

*Jésus, je voudrais te louer sur ma route.
Jésus, je voudrais que ma voix soit l'écho de ta joie:
et que chante la terre et que chante le ciel;
Jésus, je voudrais te louer sur ma route.*

*Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route;
Jésus, je voudrais partager les souffrances de ta croix,
car tu livres pour moi et ton corps et ton sang;
Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route.*

*Jésus, je voudrais tout au long de ma route,
entendre tes pas résonner dans la nuit près de moi,
jusqu'à l'aube du jour où ton peuple sauvé,
Jésus, chantera ton retour sur ma route.*

Les Petites Soeurs de Jésus, arr. Msgr. Armstrong

*Lord Jesus, of you I will sing as I journey.
I'll tell all my brothers about you wherever I go;
You alone are man's life and his peace and his love.
Lord Jesus, of you I will sing as I journey.*

*Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey,
May all of my joy be a faithful reflection of you:
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song;
Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.*

*As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant;
To carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears,
For you saved me by giving your body and blood;
As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.*

*I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey,
But courage will come with the sound of your steps by my side,
And with all my brothers you saved by your love,
We'll sing to your dawn at the end of our journey.*

Cantate Domino

*Cantate Domino canticum novum,
cantate Domino, omnis terra.
Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus.
Annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.
Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam ejus,
in omnibus populis mirabilia ejus.*

Hans Leo Hassler

*Sing to the Lord a new song,
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Sing to the Lord, and bless his name.
Show forth his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his wonders among all people. (Psalm 96:1)*

Cantique de Jean Racine

*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!*

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

Gabriel Fauré

*Word of God
Our only hope,
Eternal light of the earth and the heavens,
We break the silence of the peaceful night,
Divine Saviour, bestow thy gaze upon us!*

*Lay upon us
the fire of thy mighty grace,
that all hell may flee the sound of thy voice,
Banish the slumber of a languishing soul,
which makes it forgetful of thy laws!*

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

*O Christ be merciful to thy faithful people
Assembled here to praise thee,
Receive the songs they offer to
thy immortal glory
may they return laden with thy gifts!*

O Nata Lux

Morten Lauridsen

*O nata lux de lumine,
Jesu redemptor saeculi,
dignare clemens supplicum
laudes preces que sumere.*

*O born of light,
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
mercifully deem worthy and accept
the praises and prayers of your supplicants.*

*Qui carne quondam contegi
dignatus es pro perditis.
Nos membra confer effici,
tui beati corporis.*

*Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh
for the sake of the lost ones,
grant us to be made members
of your holy body.*

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter

The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen. (Numbers 6:24)

Set 2: “Gloria in Excelsis” – The Glory Revealed

*From Eucharistic devotion to triumphant exultation – breaking into full light
(Selections from the following)*

Gloria in D Major, RV 589 (1st Movement)

Antonio Vivaldi

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Glory to God in the highest.

Agnus Dei (from “Cantus Missae – E-flat Major”)

Josef Gabriel Rheinberger

*Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi,
Miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
Miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
Dona nobis pacem.*

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.*

Ave Verum Corpus

Colin Mawby

*Ave, verum corpus natum
de Maria Virgine:
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine:
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum,
in mortis examine.
O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie,
O Jesu Fili Mariae.*

*Hail, true Body,
born of Mary the Virgin:
truly suffering,
sacrificed on the cross for man;
from Whose pierced side
flowed water and blood:
Be to us a foretaste
at death's trial,
O sweet Jesus, O loving Jesus,
O Jesus Son of Mary.*

Panis Angelicus

César Franck

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Fit panis hominum
Dat panis coelicus
Figuris terminum
O res mirabilis
Manducat Dominum
Pauper, pauper Servus et humilis.*

*The Bread of Angels
becomes the Bread of men
the Bread of heaven
puts an end to all symbols.
O wondrous thing!
The body of the Lord
will nourish the poor and humble servant.*

Ubi Caritas

Maurice Duruflé

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsulemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Amen.*

*Where charity and love are, there God is.
The love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Let us exult, and in Him be joyful.
Let us fear and let us love the living God.
And from a sincere heart let us love each other.
Amen.*

Psalm 150

César Franck

*Louez le Dieu, caché dans ses saints tabernacles,
Louez le Dieu qui règne en son immensité.
Louez-le dans sa force et ses puissants miracles;
Louez-le dans sa gloire et sa majesté.*

*Hallelujah! Praise God, hidden in his holy tabernacles,
Praise God who reigns in his immensity.
Praise him in his strength and his powerful miracles;
Praise him in his glory and his majesty.*

*Louez-le par la voix des bruyantes trompettes,
Que pour lui le nébel se manri au kinnor,
Louez-le dans voix fêtes au son du tambourin,
Sur l'orgue et sur le luth chantez encor.*

*Praise him with the voice of noisy trumpets.
Let the nebel be joined with the kinnor for him.
Praise Him in your celebrations to the sound of the tambourine,
on the organ and on the lute, sing again.*

*Que pour lui dans vos mains résonne la cymbale,
La cymbale aux accords éclatants et joyeux.
Que tout souffle vivant, tout soupir qui s'exhale,
Dise: louange à lui, louange au Roi des cieus.
Louez-le dans voix fêtes, chantez toujours.
Alleluia.*

*Let the cymbal resound for Him in your hands,
the cymbal with bright and joyful tones.
Let every living breath, every sigh that is breathed,
Say: praise to Him, praise to the King of heaven.
Praise Him in your celebrations; sing always.
Alleluia. (Psalm 150)*

Love Divine

Howard Goodall

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down, Fix in us thy humble dwelling, All thy faithful mercies crown. Jesu, thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love thou art; Visit us with thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit Into every troubled breast, Let us all in thee inherit, Let us find that second rest. Take away our power of sinning, Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its beginning, Sets our hearts at liberty. Come, almighty to deliver, Let us all thy life receive; Suddenly return and never, Never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve thee as thy hosts above, Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, Glory in thy perfect love. Finish then thy new creation, Pure and spotless let us be; Let us see thy great salvation, Perfectly restored in thee; Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns before thee, Lost in wonder, love and praise!

Sing Unto God

George Frederic Handel

Sing unto God and high affections raise, to crown his conquest with unmeasur'd praise.

Set 3: The Lord's Blessings

(Selections from the following)

Oculi Omnium

Charles Wood

*Oculi omnium in Te sperant Domine
et Tu das escam illorum in tempore opportuno
Gloria Tibi Domine
Amen.*

*The eyes of all creatures look to you, O Lord:
and you give them their food in due season
Glory to you, O Lord
Amen. (Psalm 145:15)*

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord lift His countenance upon you; and give you peace, the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you, be gracious, the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

Ecce Fidelis Servus

Gabriel Fauré

*Ecce fidelis servus et prudens,
Quem constituit Dominus super familiam suam.
Justus germinabit sicut lilium
et florebit in aeternum ante Dominum.
Amen.*

*Behold a faithful and prudent servant
whom the Lord has set above his family.
The just one shall sprout like the lily
And flower before the Lord forever.
Amen.*

Grade 12 Class

(Selections from the following)

Sure On This Shining Night

Morten Lauridsen

Sure on this shining night of starmade shadows round, kindness must watch for me this side the ground. The late year lies down the north, All is healed, all is health. High summer holds the earth. Hearts all whole. I weep for wonder wandering far alone of shadows on the stars.

Seigneur, Je Vous En Prie

Francis Poulenc

*Seigneur, je vous en prie,
que la force brûlante et douce de votre amour
absorbe mon âme
et la retire de tout ce qui est sous le ciel,
afin que je meure
par amour de votre amour,
Puisque vous avez daigné mourir
par amour de mon amour.*

*Lord, I beseech you,
let the burning and sweet power of your love
absorb my soul
and draw it from all that is under heaven,
So that I may die
for love of your love,
Since you have deigned to die
for love of my love.*

Ain'-a That Good News

William L. Dawson

*I've got a crown up in the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news.
I'm going to lay down this world,
Going to shoulder up my cross:
Going to take it home to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news.
I've got a harp up in the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news.
I've got a robe up in the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news.
I've got a Saviour in the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news.*

Junior Choir

(Selections from the following)

The Call

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath: Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death. Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a feast: Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move: Such a Love, as none can part: Such a Heart, as joys in love.

All Things Bright and Beautiful

John Rutter

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small. All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all. Each little flow'r that opens, Each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings. The purple-headed mountain, The river running by, The sunset and the morning, That brightens up the sky; The cold wind in the winter, The pleasant summer sun, The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one; He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well.

Psalm 23

Srul Irving Glick

Mizmor, L'David. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; He guideth me in straight paths for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, For Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, They comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me, In the presence of mine enemies; Thou hast anointed my head with oil; My cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23)

Thou Royal Knight

*Thou royal knight from courts on high,
Thou Prince of Heaven's Host
Dread foe of all the spirits dark,
through pride and hatred lost,
Thou Angel Patron, Warrior true,
a pray'r to thee we breathe,
"Once more in holy wrath stand forth,
thy flaming sword unsheathe."*

Refrain:

*Archangel bright, lend us thy might;
the star of faith still beams,
As through the night we seek the light,
thy bannered cross outgleams.*

*This world is torn with war and strife,
The nations groan in pain,
Against God's rule, God's church, God's peace,
fell Satan strives amain
But "Michael" is our battle cry
and "who is like to God?"
O Israel's Guardian! save from death,
God's people so downtrod.*

Msgr. John Edward Ronan arr. Kola Owolabi

*O strengthen thou our faith,
our hope and heal our spirits sore;
And share with us thy burning love,
that God we may adore .
Then teach us how the seraphs pray
Before the great white throne;
Take our poor prayers as incense mild,
to offer with thine own.*

*Thou saw'st the sunclad Mother fair,
The Father's Power dread
Bade thee cease warring Satan down.
Thou heard'st the voice that said:
"Salvation! Strength! God's Kingdom Come!"
In thy sublimity
Bless Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Knight of the Trinity.*

Cantate Domino

Natalie Sleeth

Cantate Domino in dulci júbilo! Cantate nunc in júbilo! O sing to the Lord, ev'ry land, ev'ry nation, Sing and with music adore, Sing to the Lord now in glad adoration, Sing and bring praise evermore, O sing to the Lord and praises bring!

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Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

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natum de Maria Virgine:
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O Sacrum Convivium

Jean Francois Lallouette

*O sacrum convivium,
in quo Christus sumitur,
recolitur memoria passionis ejus:
mens impletur gratia:
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.*

*O sacred banquet,
in which Christ is received,
the memory of his Passion is recalled,
the mind is filled with grace,
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.*

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