



*Jesus
is the answer*

Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know. Jeremiah 33:3

We are an auditioned choir of Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who perform at all major school concerts in addition to church services at area congregations and the WELS Choral Festival. We serve as ambassadors to our association congregations and local community.

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Brooke Malchow, IV
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Mary Wobser, IV
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Nick Halterman, II
Clay Jackson, III
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Buok Chuol, IV
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Processional

The Yearning

words by Susan Bentall Boersma

music by Craig Courtney

flute: Brooke Malchow

There is a yearning in hearts weighed down by ancient grief and centuries of sorrow.
There is a yearning in hearts that in the darkness hide and in the shades of death abide,
A yearning for tomorrow.

There is a yearning for the promised One, the Firstborn of creation.
There is a yearning for the Lord who visited his own, and by his death for sin atoned,
To bring to us salvation.

Emmanuel, within our hearts, the yearning.

There is a yearning that fills the hearts of those who wait the day of his appearing.
There is a yearning when all our sorrows are erased and we shall see the One who placed
Within our hearts the yearning.

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Upcoming Music Events

Everything I Desire

by Unity Nkosi, Musa Motloba, Isaac Mthethwa, and Sipho Mbese
arranged by Carol Cymbala

You are my friend, you are my joy, you are my comforter, you are everything I desire.

When I fell sad and lonely, you are the first on my mind.

Ungumngani wami ebumnandini, ebunzimeni awuguquki
You are my friend in joyful times. In times of joy you never change.

We Somandla ngiyaabonga wena baba awuguquki.
O, dear Lord, I do thank you, for you never change, you stay the same.

When you are in need, call on Jesus; he's got the power to lift you up!

Ngizoku kohnza ngazo zonk' izikhathi enhlizweni.
I will praise you at all times with love in my heart.

Amen. Hallelujah, amen.

Director: Steven Springborn

A door offering will be collected to support the NELHS music department.

Jesus answers our guilt

L: Listen to my words, Lord, consider my lament.

C: Hear my cry for help, my King and my God, for to you I pray.

L: For you are not a God who is pleased with wickedness; with you, evil people are not welcome.

C: The arrogant cannot stand in your presence; you hate all who do wrong.

**All: But I, by your great love, can come into your house;
in reverence I bow down toward your holy temple.** (*Psalm 5, selected verses*)

Kyrie

by Giovanni Palestrina

Kyrie eleison
Lord have mercy

L: In the name of our God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden. Amen.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by the sins that trouble me and am deeply sorry for them.

(silent prayer for personal sins)

Christe eleison
Christ have mercy

L: Jesus says to his people: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." His death paid for the guilt of your sins and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

C: Yes.

M: Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life.

Kyrie eleison
Lord have mercy

Jesus answers our loneliness

I Kings 19:8b-18

And the word of the Lord came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” The Lord said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

The Lord said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him.”

Write Your Blessed Name. O Lord

words by Thomas Kempis
setting by Dale Grotenhuis

Write your blessed name, O Lord, upon my heart,
There to remain so indelibly engraved
That no prosperity, that no adversity,
Shall ever move me from your love.

Be to me a strong tower of defense,
A comforter in tribulation,
A deliverer in distress,
And a faithful guide to the courts of heav'n
Through the many temptations and dangers of this life.

All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed by thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
They will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever and ever.
Amen.

Benediction

Verleih Uns Frieden

(Grant Us Peace)

words by Martin Luther
music by Felix Mendelssohn

Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich, Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.
Grant us peace graciously, Lord God, in our time.

Es ist doch ja kein anderer nicht, der für uns könnte streiten,
There is really no other that can fight for us

denn du, unser Gott, alleine
than you, our God, alone.

L: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ sanctify us and keep us from all evil; may Christ drive all hurtful things far from us and purify both our souls and bodies; may Christ bind us to himself by the bond of love; and may his peace abound in our hearts.

C: Amen.

Devotion

Jesus Is the Answer

Offering

Come Unto Me

by Harmon Wacker

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest,
Look upon me, I am your Savior; Look unto the cross, there you'll find eternal peace.
Take my yoke upon you and learn of me,
For I am meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. Amen.

Prayer

L: Heavenly Father, Creator of all things, you give us all that we need for body and life.

C: Every good and perfect gift comes from you, the Father of the heavenly lights. (*James 1:17*)

L: Lord Jesus, by your suffering and death you have opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

C: We approach your throne, O God, with confidence, for your mercy and grace in our time of need.
(*Hebrews 4:16*)

L: Holy Spirit, counselor and guide, you have raised us from death by your powerful Word.

C: You, O Spirit of God, have made us. Your breath, almighty One, gave us life. (*Job 33:4*)

L: Lord, fill our hearts with thanksgiving for your mercy and love.

C: Move us with our hearts to believe and with our mouths to confess your saving name. Amen.
(*Romans 10:10*)

O Jesu, my only Savior!

Jesus answers our worries

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Day by Day

words by Caroline V. Sandell-Berg, trans. Robert Leaf

melody by Oscar Ahnfelt

setting by Donald Busarow

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul;
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heavenly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure where, at last, I'll find eternal rest.

Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold you face.

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow to great to bear;
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what befalls me, I will know the comforts of your love.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last my home above.

Jesus answers our fear of death

Luke 8:41-42,49-56

Then a man named Jairus, a synagogue leader, came and fell at Jesus' feet, pleading with him to come to his house because his only daughter, a girl of about twelve, was dying.

While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," he said. "Don't bother the teacher anymore."

Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed."

When he arrived at the house of Jairus, he did not let anyone go in with him except Peter, John and James, and the child's father and mother. Meanwhile, all the people were wailing and mourning for her. "Stop wailing," Jesus said. "She is not dead but asleep."

They laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he took her by the hand and said, "My child, get up!" Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat. Her parents were astonished, but he ordered them not to tell anyone what had happened.

I Will Rise

words and music by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Louie Giglio, and Matt Maher
arranged by Craig Courtney and Lynda Hasseler
soloists: Samantha Edens, Kennedy Scheele, Austin Dodson

There's a peace I've come to know though my heart and flesh may fail.
There's an anchor for my soul. I can say, "It is well."

Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won, he is risen from the dead.

And I will rise when he calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain,
I will rise on eagle's wings. Before my God fall on my knees and rise.

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light.
And the shadows disappear and my faith shall be my eyes.

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
And I hear the cry of every longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!"

Do Not Let Your Hearts be Troubled

by David Haas

The congregation is invited to join on the refrain as noted.

Refrain

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Musical score for the hymn "Do Not Let Your Hearts be Troubled" by David Haas. The score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "Do not let your hearts be troubled, have faith in God and faith in me. I will go forth to prepare a place for you, then I'll come back to take you with me, that where I am, you may also be." The score includes a 3-measure triplet in the second line and a 4-measure section in the third line. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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In God's house there are many places for you alone to dwell in safety.
You know the way to where I'll lead you; if you are lost, I will show the way.

Refrain

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; only through me can you know what I know.
If you knew me, you would know the Father; if you see me, you see your God.

Refrain

The words I speak are not only of myself; it is your God who lives within me.
If you believe that your God and I are one, I will provide when you call my name.

Refrain