

15
South Bend Symphonic
Choir

IUSB Ensemble-In-Residence
Director Robert W. Demaree, Jr.

Ivana Bukvic
Piano

Presents:

An American Thanksgiving

Featuring:
Symphony Brass Quintet

Christine Seitz, organ

Saturday, November 23, 1996
7:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
Mishawaka

Monday, November 25, 1996
7:30 p.m.

St. Thomas' Episcopal Church
Plymouth



INDIANA UNIVERSITY
SOUTH BEND

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with guests

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Cynthia Conley and Lee Lodyga, speakers

and the

Symphony Brass Quintet

Craig Heitger and Jay Crouch, trumpets

Peggy Brill, horn

Joseph Hickner, trombone

Jerry Lackey, tuba

We express our grateful thanks to the people and staff of this church for their gracious hospitality. It is a special pleasure for us to present this music in such a beautiful edifice, and we feel very much at home here.

A warm welcome to you from the members of the Choir. This season began with an October performance of the Elkhart Symphony of Beethoven's **Choral Fantasia** and continued with the Haydn **Mass in the Time of War**, presented with the IUSB Philharmonic earlier this month. On March 15, 1997 the Choir's schedule will resume in **A Shaker Song Service**, with authentic dancing and costumes, and it will conclude on April 26, 1997 with a **Spring Concert** of British and American choral works.

NOW SING WITH THE SOUTH BEND SYMPHONIC CHOIR! The texts of several hymns to be sung this evening are provided for you in this program. Join us as we raise our voices in this musical celebration. We want to hear **your** voices lifted with ours, and blended with brass instruments and organ.

If you find you have enjoyed singing with us tonight, you may be interested to know that we accept new members in early January and early September each season. You can obtain further information by calling (219) 237-4815, or by speaking with one of the current members of the Choir.

Tamea Rector, Choir President

Program

Reading: Abraham Lincoln's 1863 Thanksgiving Proclamation

(excerpt) I do therefore invite my fellow citizens
in every part of the United States to set apart and
observe a day of Thanksgiving

Hymn: **We Gather Together** (Kremser) Traditional Dutch

(Audience sings only 3rd verse)

**We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant
And pray that Thou still our Defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;
Thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!**

Amen.

Reading: Winston Churchill, in an excerpt from his HISTORY OF
THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING PEOPLES

It is not given to many to start a nation. It was a few
hundred people who now took the first step. A settlement
was made

Earnest Petition Shaker hymn, transcribed Folger

*Lord, be pleased to bless Thy people...
Separate us farther, wider from the wolves
that prowl around.
...honest souls who give up all
For the gospel and the Kingdom
Did not, do not, cannot fall.*

At the River Traditional, arr. Copland

*. . . Soon we'll reach the shining river.
Soon our pilgrimage will cease.*

Simple Gifts Shaker hymn, arr. Copland

*. . . To turn, turn will be our delight,
'Til by turning, turning we come round right.*

Deep River Traditional, arr. Ringwald
*Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast,
That promised land where all is peace?*

Reading: Robert Frost, "The Gift Outright"

The land was ours before we were the land's. She was our
land more than a hundred years before we were her people.
She was ours in Massachusetts, in Virginia

The Promise of Living (THE TENDER LAND) Aaron Copland

*. . . Give thanks there was sunshine,
Give thanks there was rain,
Give thanks we have hands to deliver the grain.*

*The promise of living, the promise of growing,
The promise of ending is labor, and sharing and loving.*

Hymn: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (St. Anne). Isaac Watts

(Audience sings all verses)

**O God, our Help in ages past,
Our Hope for years to come,
Our Shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal Home!**

**Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.**

**O God, our Help in ages past,
Our Hope for years to come,
Be Thou our Guard while life shall last,
And our eternal Home.**

Amen.

- Two Pieces** William Brade
 Almand
 Galliard
Benedicamus Domino Samuel Scheidt
Galliard Battaglia Samuel Scheidt

Reading: Excerpt from the JOURNALS OF LEWIS AND CLARK

Captain Lewis now ascended the hill behind him, and saw from its top a delightful plain extending . . . to the base of the Snow (that is, the Rocky) Mountains to the southwest.

Hymn: "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" (Materna) . . . Samuel A. Ward

(Audience sings all verses)

*O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain
 For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain!
 America! America! God shed His grace on thee
 And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!*

*O beautiful for pilgrim feet Whose stern, impassioned stress
 A thoroughfare for freedom beat Across the wilderness!
 America! America! God mend thine every flaw.
 Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law!*

*O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife,
 Who more than self their country loved, And mercy more than life!
 America! America! May God thy gold refine,
 Till all success be nobleness, And every gain divine!*

*O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years
 Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed by human tears.
 America! America! God shed His grace on thee
 And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!*

Serenity Charles Ives
 ... Take from our souls the strain and stress,
 And let our ordered lives confess the beauty of
 Thy peace.

Festival Mass: Sanctus --Agnus Dei --Gloria Demaree
 ...Heaven and earth are full of the glory.

Reading: Thomas Jefferson on the ties between State and People

They are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights; . . . that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men . . .

Testament of Freedom, fourth movement Randall Thompson

Letter from Thomas Jefferson to John Adams, September 12, 1821: I shall not die without a hope that light and liberty are on steady advance. And even should the cloud of barbarism and despotism again obscure the science and liberties of Europe, this country remains to preserve and restore light and liberty to them The God who gave us life gave us liberty at the same time.

Reading: The Reverend Peter Marshall's "Immigrant's Prayer"

Help us never to forget, our Father, that all the rights and privileges we enjoy here have blood on them! . . . May we ever be grateful to those who in years past have laboured and loved in order that we might have something to inherit.

Hymn: "God of Our Fathers" (National Hymn) George Warren

(Audience sings all verses)

*God of our fathers, Whose almighty hand
 Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
 Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
 Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.*

*Thy love divine has led us in the past;
 In this free land by Thee our lot is cast
 Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay:
 Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.*

*Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way;
 Lead us from night to neverending day;
 Fill all our lives with love and joy divine,
 And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.*

Amen.

South Bend Symphonic Choir

Soprano I

Jennifer Lynn Boley
Irene Carver
Lynn Ohashi Demaree
Edlyn S. deOliveiri
Lydia Jane Hall
Deborah Ann Hampton
Rebecca L. Jubulis
Janet L. Kagarise
Francis R. Lark
Ginny Long-Cecil
Jamie Lynn McInturf
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Hannah S. Rulli
Wynnde St. John
Kimberly J. Snyder
Pam Stefancic
Joan Tweedell
Carol Lee Vanatta
Kathleen Michele Walmsley
Janice McNaught Wilen

Alto

Glenda D. Bogucki
Julie Whelan Considine
Mary Kay Davies
Carol Ann Dooley
Barbara J. Eldridge
Kay Kizer
Carol L. Krieger
Kay E. Lamb
Connie Elizabeth Lee
Beverly B. McGhee
Leone L. Michel
Mary L. Mills
Linda Alison Nichols
Susan J. Norborg *
Mary Jean Osberger
Tamea P. Rector

Jeny Sejdinaj
Pamela S. Seig*
Peggy Grant Soderberg
Angela Sue Umber
Rhonda Wolff
Sue Wright
Bernadette Zoss

Tenor

Aaron Michael Bobson
Tom Geyer
Dennis Ray Giden, Jr.
Thomas H. Goepfrich
Herman A. Hoffmann
Edward A. Kline
John R. Long
Karl H. Marcussen *
Robert C. Ray
Bruce E. Wolfe
Robert L. Zoemer

Bass

Jim D. Beck
Lee Parker Fisher
George H. Flake
Ken Groen
Andrew Haug
Tom Hoffman
Tuck Langland *
James P. McGhee
Robert R. Nelson
Christopher S. Norburg
John M. Smith
Thomas W. Stevens
Thomas A. Umbaugh
Roderic H. White-Stevens
George John Williams

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