

## Hymn Festival

### "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice!"

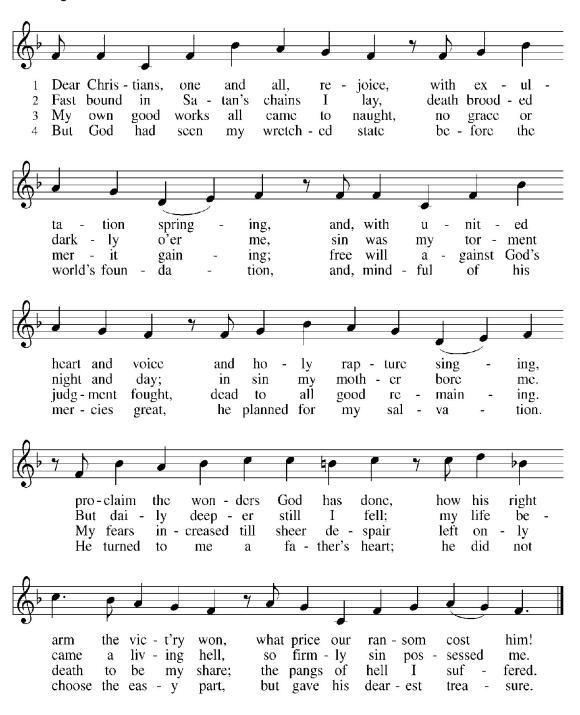
# Celebrating the Church Year with Hymns of Martin Luther



The Chapel of the Resurrection Valparaiso University July 19, 2017 7 p.m.

#### HYMN: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

- 1 Cantor
- 2 All a cappella
- 3 Organ
- 4 All with organ



**NUN FREUT EUCH** 

#### **ADVENT**

#### HYMN: Savior of the Nations, Come

#### NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

Introduction by German Lutheran composer and organist, Hugo Distler, from his Partita.

- 1 All with organ
- 2 Jubilate Singers
- 3 All in harmony
- 4 Women and Youth in unison a cappella
- 5 Men in unison a cappella
- 6 All with organ

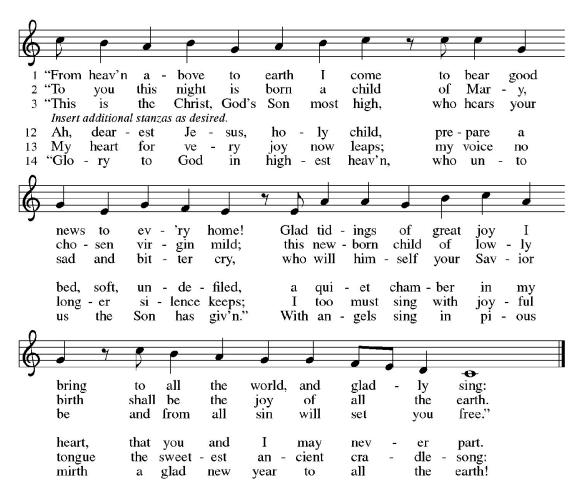


- 5 Now your manger, shining bright, hallows night with newborn light. Night cannot this light subdue; let our faith shine ever new.
- 6 Praise we sing to Christ the Lord, virgin's son, incarnate Word!
  To the holy Trinity praise we sing eternally!

Text: attr. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397; Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. hymnal version Music: NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND, J. Walter, Geistliche Gesangbüchlein, 1524 Text © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.

J. S. Bach. Canonic Variations on "Vom Himmel hoch"

Variation 1 Solo 2 Jubilate Singers 3 All Variation 12 Solo 13 Women 14 All Variation



- 4 "The blessing that the Father planned the Son holds in his infant hand, that in his kingdom, bright and fair, you may with us his glory share."
- 5 "These are the signs that you will see to let you know that it is he: in manger-bed, in swaddling clothes the child who all the earth upholds."
- 6 Now let us all with joyful cheer go with the shepherds and draw near to see this wondrous gift of God, the blessed child to us bestowed.
- Look, look, dear friends, look over there!What lies within that manger bare?Who is that lovely little one?The baby Jesus, God's dear Son.

- 8 Welcome to earth, O noble Guest, through whom this sinful world is blest! You turned not from our needs away; how can our thanks such live repay?
- 9 O Lord, you have created all! How did you come to be so small, to sweetly sleep in manger-bed where lowing cattle lately fed?
- 10 Were earth a thousand times as fair and set with gold and jewels rare, still such a cradle would not do to rock a prince so great as you.
- 11 For velvets soft and silken stuff you have but hay and straw so rough on which as king so rich and great to be enthroned in humble state.

#### **EPIPHANY**

HYMN: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice, vv. 5-10 in Dramatic Reading

- 5 Narrator and God, the Father (Low Voices)
- 6 Narrator
- 7-10 Narrator and Jesus (High Voices)

Low Voices:

- 5 God said to his beloved Son: "Tis time to have compassion. Then go, bright jewel of my crown, and bring to all salvation; from sin and sorrow set them free; slay bitter death for them that they may live with you forever."
- 8 "Though he will shed my precious blood, of life me thus bereaving, all this I suffer for your good; be steadfast and believing.

  Life will from death the vict'ry win; my innocence shall bear your sin; and you are blest forever.

Narrator

- 6 The Son obeyed his Father's will, was born of virgin mother; and, God's good pleasure to fulfill, he came to be my brother.
  His royal pow'r disguised he bore, a servant's form, like mine, he wore, to lead the devil captive.
- 9 "Now to my Father I depart, from earth to heav'n ascending, and, heav'nly wisdom to impart, the Holy Spirit sending; in trouble he will comfort you and teach you always to be true and into truth shall guide you.

**High Voices** 

- 7 To me he said: "Stay close to me, I am your rock and castle. Your ransom I myself will be; for you I strive and wrestle; for I am yours, and you are mine, and where I am you may remain; the foe shall not divide us.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught guide all your life and teaching; so shall the kingdom's work be wrought and honored in your preaching.

  But watch lest foes with base alloy the heav'nly treasure should destroy; this final word I leave you."

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–1887, alt. Music: NUN FREUT EUCH, Etlich christlich Lieder, Wittenberg, 1524

MOTET: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice!

Benedictus Ducis (ca. 1492-1544)

CHORALE PRELUDE: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice!

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

This ecstatic chorale prelude uses a second Reformation tune for the words of Luther's Christ hymn. Many Reformation hymn texts possessed a common poetic form with the result that they were often sung to different melodies.

ANTHEM: For I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel

Paul D. Weber

For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes; for in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith. As it is written: "The righteous shall live by faith." (Romans 1:16-17 ESV)

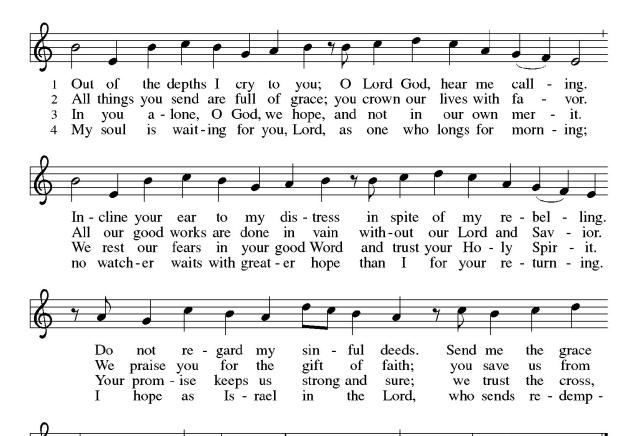
Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice, with exultation springing,
And, with united heart and voice, and holy rapture singing,
Proclaim the wonders God has done, how his right arm the victory won,
What price our ransom cost him!

#### ASH WEDNESDAY, FUNERAL

#### HYMN: Out of the Depths I Cry to You

**AUS TIEFER NOT** 

- 1. Cantor
- 2. All a cappella
- 3. Quartet (setting by Johann Walter, 1496-1570)
- 4. All a cappella



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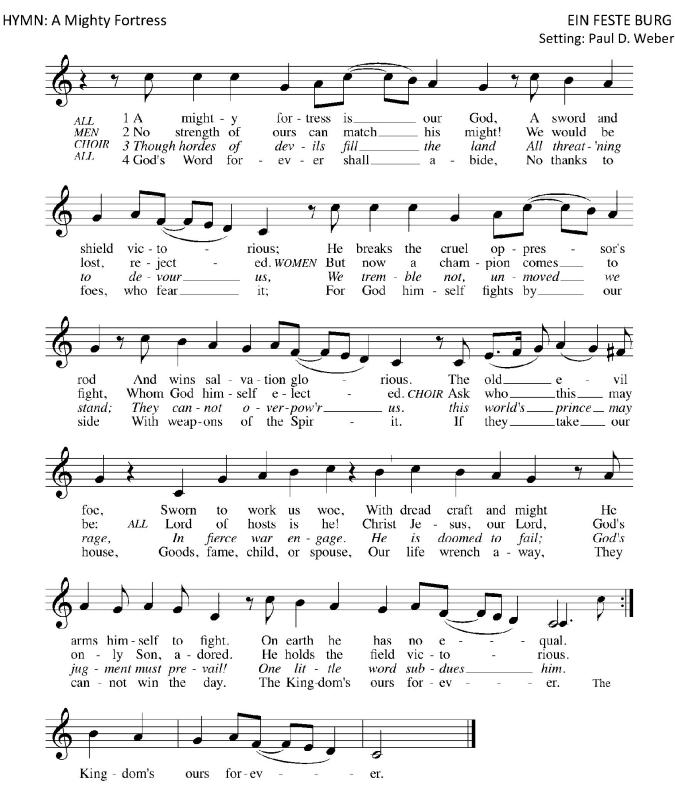
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#### CHORALE PRELUDE: A Mighty Fortress by Jan Bender (1909-1994)



Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. hymnal version, 1978, alt. Tune: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

Setting: ©2001, Paul D. Weber

HYMN: Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

#### CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

- 1. Men a cappella, all join on "Hallelujah!"
- 2. All with organ
- 3. Women a cappella, all join on "Hallelujah"
- 4. Organ in a setting by Johann Sebastian Bach
- 5. All with organ



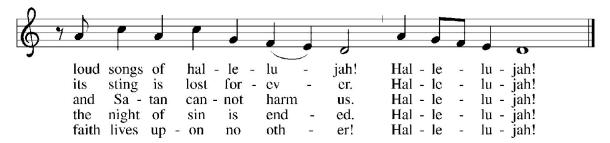
- Christ Je sus lay in death's strong bands for our of fens es giv en;
- 2 Our Sav-ior Je sus, God's own Son, here in our stead de-scend-ed;
- 3 Here the true Pas chal Lamb we see, whom God so free ly gave us,
- 4 So let us keep the fes ti val to which the Lord in vites us;
- 5 Then let us feast this Eas ter day on Christ the bread of heav-en;



but now at God's right hand he stands and brings life from heav-en. us knot of sin has been un-done, the claim of death is end - ed. ac - curs - ed tree— so strong God's love!—to who died on the save us. joy of warms and lights us. Christ is the ver - y all. the sun that the Word of grace has purged a - way e - vil leav - en. the old and



There-fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly Christ has crushed the pow'r of hell; now there is naught but death's gray shell—See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it; death pas - ses o'er, Now his grace to us im-parts e - ter - nal sun - shine to our hearts; Christ a - lone, our ho - ly meal, the hun-gry soul will feed and heal;



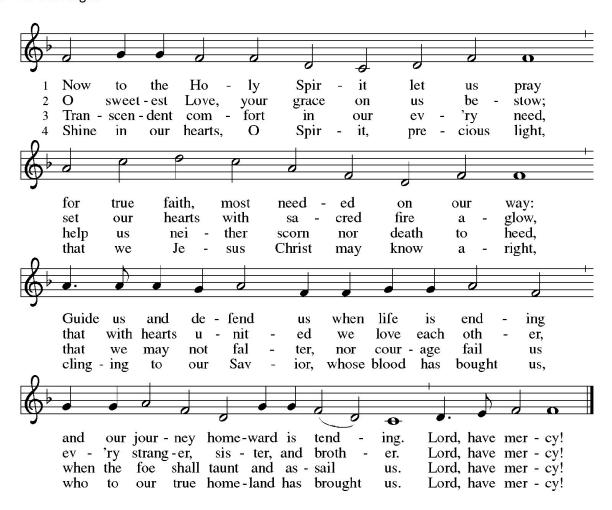
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#### **DAY OF PENTECOST**

HYMN: Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

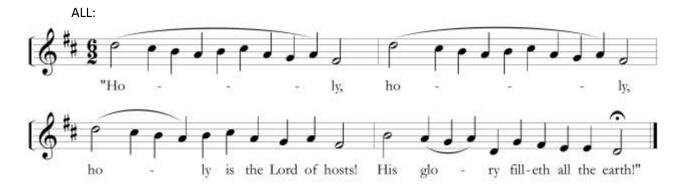
**NUN BITTEN WIR** 

- 1. Cantor
- 2. Choir (Moritz von Hessen, 1612)
- 3. All a cappella
- 4. All with organ



Text: Medieval German Leise, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, sts. 2–4; tr. composite Music: NUN BITTEN WIR, J. Walter, Geistliche Gesangbüchlein, 1524 Text sts. 1, 4 © 2006 Augsburg Fortress. Text sts. 2, 3 © 1969 Concordia Publishing House.

Isaiah in a vision did of old the Lord of hosts enthroned on high behold, whose splendid train was wide outspread until its streaming glory did the temple fill. Above God's throne the shining seraphim with six-fold wings did rev'rence unto him. With two each seraph hid his glorious face, and two about his feet did interlace, and with the other two he soared on high, and one unto another thus did cry:

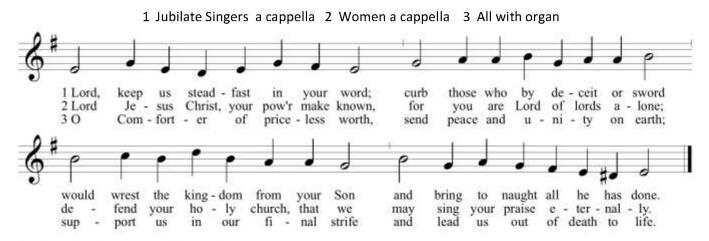


The beams and lintels at their crying shook, and all the house was filled with billowing smoke.

Text: Martin Luther; tr. Martin H. Franzmann, 1907-1976
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HYMN: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast

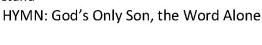
**ERHALT UNS, HERR** 



Text: Martin Luther; tr. Catherine Winkworth, alt.

Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, Geistliche Lieder, 1543

ANTHEM: Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)





Luther's Prayer for Peace is appended: Grant peace, we pray, in mercy Lord, Peace in our time, Oh send us, For there is none on earth but you, None other to defend us. You only, Lord, can fight for us. Amen!

Text and Tune: @Paul D. Weber HICKORY 8.7.8.7.8.8.7

#### **PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

O God, our refuge and strength, in this time of distrust, discord, and violence, give to us and to your world a lasting peace. We praise you for inspiring us with the gospel—wrapped in poetic texts and strong tunes, sung by choirs and congregations, played with the deep tones and the higher registers of the organ and other instruments. We praise you for blessing the church with the musical and theological gifts of Martin Luther and Johann Walter. Uphold all who, with the gift of music, enliven our praise and proclaim your word with power. Through the ministry of music, give us a new awareness of your loving grace and protection, and join our voices with all the choirs of heaven to sing your praise eternally; for you live and reign, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.. *Amen* 

The people sit for the concluding organ work reaffirming our theme.

TOCCATA: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice!

**Lionel Rogg** 

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WELCOME to this LSM Hymn Festival commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation and featuring hymns of Martin Luther for the seasons of the church year. Most of Luther's hymns were composed in 1523-1524 as Luther was making worship reforms in Wittenberg. Used in worship, at school, and in the home, these songs became one of the chief catechetical tools of the Reformation and inspired Luther's followers to become a singing church and to make creative musical contributions in culture. Luther's hymns are as relevant and powerful today as they were five hundred years ago. Combining major Lutheran beliefs with praise of a merciful God, these "spiritual songs" still nurture our faith and strengthen our resolve to be God's people.

#### MEET OUR HYMN FESTIVAL PRESENTERS

The **Reverend Dr. Paul D. Weber** (*The Paul Bouman Endowed Chapel Choir Chair*) is Professor Emeritus of Church Music at Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, North Carolina, where he conducted the A Cappella and Chapel Choirs, and, along with his wife Florence Jowers, founded the sacred music program to train church musicians and clergy in the practice and craft of sacred music. Ordained in 1979, Dr. Weber served two congregations in western Pennsylvania prior to his call to teach at Lenoir-Rhyne. He is on the clergy roster of the North Carolina Synod of the ELCA and is a member of the synod's Reformation 500 Task Force. Dr. Weber is a published, award-winning composer whose music is found in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* and *Lutheran Service Book*. Dr. Weber is a graduate of Concordia College—New York and of Concordia Senior College, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. He attended Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, for three years prior to completing the master of divinity degree through Christ Seminary—Seminex. He has master degrees in organ and composition from Washington University, St. Louis, and from the Yale University School of Music and Institute of Sacred Music. He was granted the doctor of musical arts degree in choral conducting from The University of Iowa. Paul and Florence have three grown children and four grandchildren.

Dr. Kenneth Miller (The Regina Holmen Fryxell and Patricia Schad Leege Endowed Chaplain Organist) is Assistant Professor of Church Music and Organist and Choirmaster of the Chapel of the Apostles in the School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Before coming to Sewanee, he worked as associate organist-choirmaster at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Columbia, South Carolina, and as instructor of organ at the University of South Carolina. He studied organ and church music at Lenoir-Rhyne University, where his principal teachers were Florence Jowers and Paul Weber, and the Yale School of Music and Institute of Sacred Music, with Martin Jean and Thomas Murray. At Yale, he received the Charles Ives Prize for musicianship and the Aidan Kavanagh Achievement Prize for his thesis, which deals with the development of open score notation in 17th-century Germany. He maintains an active schedule as a choral accompanist, continuo player, and solo recitalist, specializing in the late-Romantic repertoire (particularly Max Reger and Franz Schmidt) and the large-scale cycles of J.S. Bach (most recently, several performances of *The Art of Fugue*). Dr. Miller received his doctorate from Yale this past May.

SEVEN SINGERS from Immanuel Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Valparaiso join us this evening. They are members of the Jubilate Choir under the direction of William Ickstadt. We thank these singers, their parents, and director for their participation:

Noah Bachman Rachel Bachman Abigail Coates Elizabeth Fields Joanna Fields Charles Swayne Gabriel Wetzstein

We thank all participating LSM faculty artists and students for their collaboration this evening.

#### **HYMN FESTIVAL NARRATORS:**

The Reverend Dr. Paul Weber, *The Paul Bouman Chapel Choir Director*The Reverend Michael Costello, *The Phyllis and Richard Duesenberg Endowed Chaplain Chair* 

#### **LUTHERAN SUMMER MUSIC CHAPEL CHOIR 2017**

SopranoTenorCarolina BowenAndrew ClarkSarah Gruendler-LadnerMalík EppsKaitlyn MatthewsOskar GrotheSarah NedrowThomas SchulteisKatie PeroutkaMatthew YeeTarkel PriceTJ Zemlin

Alto
Katherine Benkendorf
Abbey Kelley-Lanser
Laura Krogen
Gwen McQuaig
Claire Panus
Jae'leen Torres

Paul Albright
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Bass

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Festival Concert Band**

Chapel of the Resurrection
Valparaiso University
Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
followed by Abendmusik and Evening Prayer

#### **Festival Choir Concert**

Chapel of the Resurrection
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Friday, July 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
followed by Abendmusik and Evening Prayer

#### **Musical Theatre Recital**

University Theatre Valparaiso University Saturday, July 22, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

#### **Jazz Ensemble Concert**

University Theatre
Valparaiso University
Saturday, July 22, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

#### **Festival Orchestra Concert**

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