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The Cantata Singers

Will Wickham, Musical Director

MUSIC FOR ADVENT



Saturday, December 6, 1997

at 7:00 p.m.
The Park Church
208 W. Gray Street
Elmira, New York

Sunday, December 7, 1997

at 3:00 p.m.
Church of the Redeemer (Episcopal)
201 South Wilber Avenue
Sayre, Pennsylvania

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom - Opus 31

Come, Let Us Worship

Deacon: Wisdom, let us be attentive!

Choir: Come, let us worship, and fall down before Christ

[Save us] O Son of God,

who art risen from the dead,*

save us, who sing to Thee: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*[through the prayers of the Theotokos...]
[who art wonderful in Thy saints....]

Praise the Lord from the Heavens

Praise the Lord from the heavens.

Praise Him in the highest.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is He....We Have Seen the True Light

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

The Lord is God, and has revealed Himself to us!

We have seen the true Light!

We have received the heavenly Spirit!

We have found the true faith,

worshipping the undivided Trinity,

who has saved us.

The Cherubic Hymn

Let us who mystically represent the Cherubim,

and who sing the thrice-holy hymn

to the life-creating Trinity,

now lay aside all cares of this life,

that we may receive the King of All,

who comes invisibly upborne by the angelic host.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

-- SOLI DEO GLORIA --

PRAESEPE

by

Heitor Villa-Lobos

Versos extraídos de Beata Virgens de P. José de Anchieta (1563)

But meanwhile it is delightful to think about the origins
of so great a birth

and the city of the newborn God:

the house that has welcomed God,

the palace (that has welcomed) the Christ

the soft pillow that has provided a bed for the infant

the attendants who assisted the holy mother.

The melodious songs that resounded for the little boy:

He is born in Bethlehem, beneath the roof of an old house:

Naked the earth, naked the newborn it receives.

A manger is his bed;

Here (there is) an ox, here a slow-moving ass,

Here the silent old man hovers near the face of the little boy.

His gracious mother rejoices;

the tiny baby from his tender little mouth

Utters a cry; the heavens resound with melody unheard

Translation: Patricia H. Mix

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Dolores Weed, mezzo soprano, is a graduate of Brigham Young University with a Bachelor of Music Degree in Music Education and a Master of Music Degree in Vocal Performance. She is married to Gregory Weed, a chemist at DuPont, and the mother of five children. Currently Dolores is choir director and organist at the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints in Towanda, PA. She has a large private music studio with nine piano and 23 voice students. She also is founder and director of the Towanda Children's Choir.

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