

## The Cantata Singers

### Soprano

Ruth Bruning  
Robin Fitzgerald  
Rita Grinbergs\*  
Ann Jennings  
Jane Kerber\*  
Jamie McLean  
Susan Nagle  
Judith Sheasley  
Sue Tanner  
Kay Kennedy Wack

### Alto

Jane Poliseo  
Cora Range  
Lou Sand  
Florence Suffern\*  
Frances Vedder

### Tenor

Munro Sherrill  
Kevin Thomas  
Richard E. Wack

### Alto

Ostara Bedo  
Meghan Fitzgerald  
Betty Hughes  
Frances McLaren  
Mimi Petrillose

### Bass

Richard R. Bauer  
David Hauser\*  
David Mix  
Daniel Paul  
Michael Wald

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Special thanks to Frances McLaren, Rehearsal Accompanist  
Special thanks to clergy, staff and parishioners at Saint Mary  
Our Mother Catholic Church and Grace Episcopal Church

--soli deo gloria--

FRONT PLATE: The spirit of death at the entrance of the sacellum from the monument to Pope Clement III by Canova in *The Art of the Popes: From the Vatican Collection*.

The Cantata Singers take pleasure in presenting their concerts without admission charge. The continuation of this practice depends largely upon your contribution at each concert. If you wish to be placed on our mailing list, or are interested in joining us in making music, leave your name and address in the collection plate, or call Jane Kerber at (607) 732-0060 for information.



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The Cantata Singers  
Will Wickham, Musical Director

presents

## A Musical Meditation for Lent



Sunday March 2, 1997  
at 4:00 pm  
Saint Mary Our Mother Catholic Church  
Horseheads, New York

## A Musical Meditation for Lent

Os Justi meditabitur sapientiam  
Christus factus est pro nobis obediens

Anton Bruckner

A freewill offering will be received

### Dance of Death

Hugo Distler

Leave all this, that you own, so that you may win more!  
Renounce your sins, that you may thousandfold receive.  
In God we find our light.  
Blest be the man who weighs this choice.

Man, this world's beauteous form will fade away in time.  
Why then depend so much on passing joys?  
Man, this world's beauteous form will pass away in time.

If you expect to share eternal life with God,  
then let your love of self grow less in prominence.

O sinner, if you would recognize how time flies soon,  
And then eternity, you would no evil do.

Your greatest friend, your body, it is your fiercest foe.  
It binds you and hinders you.  
Your greatest friend, it leads you far astray.

The rich man of this world, what does he truly gain,  
since he with debt and loss must leave his wealth behind?

Friend, fighting is not enough. You must fight for a just cause.  
In God you shall find rest and find your peace forever.

The world is your deep sea, the pilot is God's word.  
You are the boat. Your soul is what shall travel home.

The pure celestial light shines forth during your lifetime,  
for those men who dare to go and seek it in the darkness.

Friend, if in yonder world you hope for roses blooming,  
then you must here on earth the thorns' discomfort suffer.

Arise. The bridegroom comes. You will not go with him if you  
are not prepared to meet him instantly.

Man, when your tedious load becomes too hard for you,  
then turn yourself to God and His eternity.

The soul which on earth is smaller yet than small,  
shall in the realm of God, the fairest angel be.

The soul, since it is born for eternity,  
finds never truly peace in worldly goods and gains.  
Thus it's astonishing, you love this passing show and  
put your faith too much in things which pass away.

### Dramatic Performers for the Dance of Death

Death - David Battaglin  
Bishop - Sean P. Holleran  
Doctor - Janice Slocum  
Soldier - Karl Seymour  
Judge - Marilyn Filippetti  
Young Lady - Jennifer  
Stephenson  
Child - Sara Fagan

President - Frank W. DeWitt  
Manager - Tina Howe  
Merchant - Margaret Menges  
Sailor - Kevin Winebold  
Farmer - John Schanbacher  
Old Man - Jack Garrity

Soprano Recorder - Ruth  
Bruning

### Dancers

Cory Coleman - Alexis Gilliam  
Beth Rinwalske - Katie Wickham

Choreography - Mia Filippetti

### Make Thou In Me, God (Psalm 51:12-14)

Johannes Brahms

Andante moderato  
Andante espressivo  
Andante  
Allegro

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