We All Believe in One True God



Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Mequon, Wisconsin

MAY 20, 2021 - 7:00 PM

Welcome to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

The forty-five men of the Seminary Chorus and their director are honored by your presence at this concert. We pray that the message proclaimed by our music would strengthen your faith in Christ and both inform and inspire your confession of his saving name.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church is known as the "singing church." Singing alone, however, does not make Lutherans unique. Most Christians sing at worship. What sets Lutheran singing apart is the purpose attached to our song. Christopher Boyd Brown writes about the unique objective of Lutheran music:

In Roman Catholic and Calvinist thought alike, religious song was primarily a human activity intended to satisfy a debt of worship, whether due to the saints or to God himself... Lutherans regarded their hymns as a form of preaching or proclamation... For Lutherans, the hymns were a form of God's Word, through which God himself was active to strengthen and comfort his people in faith.¹

Christ and his saving message are at the center of our song. The word of Christ preached from the pulpit is the very same word proclaimed from the pews as Christians confess the creeds and sing the faith. This evening's program is intended to be a musical devotion on the Apostle's Creed. The men of the chorus hope to proclaim the chief truths of the Christian faith to you in a way that is lovely, meaningful, and memorable. May Jesus bless our efforts to that end!

Finally, our safety protocols shifted dramatically this week.

- 1 We are no longer under a statewide mask mandate. Instead, the newest CDC guidelines regarding masks and vaccination have been adopted. You are not required to wear a face covering this evening. Instead, it is recommended that you wear one if you are not fully vaccinated.
- **2** Attendance tonight is limited to fifty percent of capacity.
- 3 The work of the chorus is funded by the sale of CDs and the generous offerings of God's people. Offering plates will not be passed this evening. Those desiring to give an offering may leave it in the baskets located at the doors. Offerings may also be given online at community.wls.wels.net. Select "The Seminary Chorus" via the Designation Menu. CDs will be available for purchase in the entryway following the concert.
- 4 You will be ushered out this evening beginning at the rear of the auditorium. Upon dismissal, you may collect your belongs and move directly outside. Please refrain from visiting in the entryway or gathering around the doors outside. We are blessed with a beautiful and spacious campus. Please utilize much of it for socializing this week.

Thank you, sincerely, for following these protocols.

May Jesus richly bless your time among us!

In Christ, Aaron L. Christie

Professor Christie has directed the chorus since September 2020

¹ Brown, Christopher Boyd. Singing the Gospel: Lutheran Hymns and the Success of the Reformation (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2005) 24.

Graduation Concert

Processional Hymn

We All Believe in One True God

Stand when the hymn is introduced.

To be sung as follows: 1-2: Chorus 3: All



Christian Worship, 2021: 941
Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546
Tune: WIR GLAUBEN ALL
Latin, 14th cent., adapt.

I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY

Maker of heaven and earth...

The Creation

In the beginning God created the heav'n and the earth. And the earth was waste and void. And darkness upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, let there be light: And there was light.

Willy Richter, 1896-1969

And I believe that God still preserves me...

(Luther's Small Catechism, Explanation to the First Article of the Apostles' Creed)

Praise Ye the Lord (Psalm 111)

Praise ye the Lord! Praise him with exultation;
Praise him in the congregation.
With grateful heart I thank him for his goodness
In the assembly of the righteous. Kyrie eleison. (Lord, have mercy)
All the works of God are good and right,
Sought by all who in them find delight.
All his deeds let us praise;
Ever righteous are his ways. Kyrie eleison.

The Lord recalls his covenant forever;
All his wonders are remembered.
The Lord is ever merciful and gracious;
His great love will not forsake us. Kyrie eleison.
For he gives from his almighty hand;
He to Israel grants a promised land.
In his words still we trust;
All his deeds are good and just. Kyrie eleison.

All God's decrees are steadfast and abiding,
Uprightness and truth providing.
He made his covenant to last forever;
His salvation fails us never. Kyrie eleison.
Holy is the awesome name of God.
Wisdom starts in reverence for the Lord;
Fear his name and be wise;
Let his praise forever rise. Kyrie eleison.

Heinrich Schütz, 1585–1672, SWV 209 Setting by Jonathan Kohr

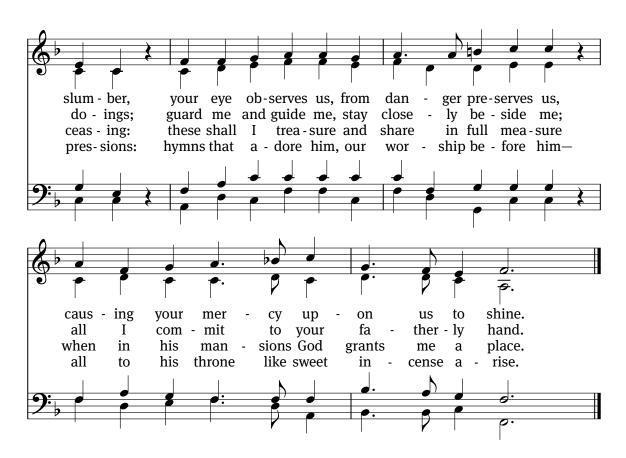
For all of this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him...

(Luther's Small Catechism, Explanation to the First Article of the Apostles' Creed)

Evening and Morning

To be sung as follows: 1: Chorus 2: All (in parts) 3: Chorus 4: All





Christian Worship, 2021: 501 Stanzas 1,4: Setting by Carl Schalk Stanzas 2–3: Christian Worship, 2021



I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, HIS ONLY SON, OUR LORD

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary...

O Savior of Our Fallen Race

O Savior of our fallen race,
O Brightness of the Father's face,
O Son who shared the Father's might
Before the world knew day or night.
Remind us, Lord of life and grace,
How once, to save our fallen race,
You put our human vesture on
And came to us as Mary's son.

O Jesus, very Light of Light, Our constant star in sin's deep night: Now hear the prayers your people pray Throughout the world this holy day.

Come, Thou Redeemer of the earth, And manifest Thy virgin birth: Let ev'ry age adoring fall; Such birth befits the God of all. And we are jubilant today, For you have washed our guilt away. O hear the glad new song we sing On this, the birth of Christ our King!

O Savior of our fallen race,
The world will see your radiant face;
For you who came to us before
Will come again and all restore.
Let songs of praise your name adorn,
O Christ, Redeemer virgin-born,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Spirit evermore.

Text: *Christe*, *redemptor omnium*, Latin, c. 5th–1oth century, tr. Gilbert E. Doan, adapt. Kristyn Getty; *Veni*, *redemptor gentium* attr. Ambrose of Milan (340–397), tr. John Mason Neale (1818–66) Music: Keith Getty; arr. Daniel Grassi, 2011

Suffered under Pontius Pilate...

My Song Is Love Unknown

Jesus!

Name of wondrous love, Name all other names above.

My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me, Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be.

Oh, who am I that for my sake My Lord should take frail flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die? Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine! Never was love, dear King, Never was grief, was love like thine. This is my friend in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

Jesus!

Name of wondrous love.

From St. John Passion by John Ferguson Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624–1683 William Walsham How, 1823–1897, alt. Tune: LOUEZ DIEU; Geneva Psalter, RHOSYMEDRE John D. Edwards, 1806–1885 Arr. John Ferguson

Was crucified, died, and was buried...

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God. All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

> From *St. John Passion* by John Ferguson Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Tune: HAMBURG Lowell Mason, 1792–1872 arr. John Ferguson

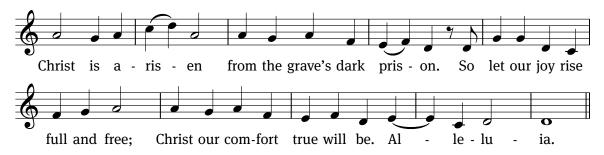
Christ Is Arisen: Christians, to the Paschal Victim

Alleluia!

Christians, to the paschal victim offer your thankful praises—a Lamb the sheep redeeming, Christ, who only is sinless, reconciling sinners to the Father.

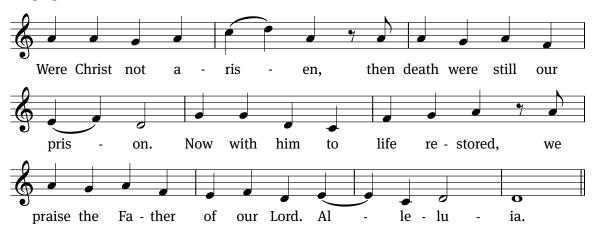
Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous; the Prince of Life, who died, reigns immortal.

Congregation:



Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw when wayfaring.
"The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus' resurrection; bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting.
My Lord, my hope is arisen: to Galilee he goes before you."

Congregation:



Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!

Congregation:



Alleluia!

Text: Victimae Paschali laudes
attr. Tipo of Burgundy, d.c. 1050; tr. composite
Christ ist erstanden, German hymn, c. 1100;
tr. Martin L. Seltz, 1909–1967, alt.
Tune: VICTIMAE PASCHALI
Plainsong mode 1, attr. Tipo of Burgundy
CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN, J. Klug, Geistliche Lieder, 1543
arr. William Braun

He ascended into heaven...

Our God Has Gone Up

Our God has gone up to the sound of trumpet blasts. Sing praise to our God. Sing praise to our king. Sing praise to our Lord and clap your hands. Our God has gone up to the sound of trumpet blasts.

Based on Psalm 47 Words and Music by John Gaffney



All this he did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness....

(Luther's Small Catechism, Explanation to the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed)

God's Son Has Made Me Free

God's Son has made me free
From Satan's tyranny;
From fear of death, and bonds of sin,
From all that plagues my soul within.
The holy One divine,
Became a friend of mine.
From heaven high, from starry sky,
He came to give, to die.
O boundless love, he came, he died,
He rose forever glorified!
He came to give, to die,
That I might live with him eternally.
God's Son has made me free.

Text: Hans A. Brorson, 1694–1764 Music: Edvard Grieg, 1843–1907 Tr. and Arr. Oscar R. Overby



And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty...

Is He Worthy?

Do you feel the world is broken? We do.

Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.

But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do.

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is.

Is a new creation coming? It is.

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is.

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Refrain:

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave,

He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.

Is he worthy?

Is he worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is he worthy of this?

He is.

Does the Father truly love us? He does.

Does the Spirit move among us? He does.

And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does.

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does.

Refrain

From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue,

He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.

Is he worthy?

Is he worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is he worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is.

Words and Music by Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive Arr. Heather Sorenson Soloist: Aaron Schultz

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending



Text: Charles Wesley (1707–88), alt. Music: Thomas Olivers (1725–99) Setting: Kevin Hildebrandt, 2006

Offering

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I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins...

The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the Word.
From heav'n he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

The Church shall never perish,
Her dear Lord, to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish,
Is with her to the end.
Though there be those that hate her
And strive to see her fail,
Against both foe and traitor
She ever shall prevail.

Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

Arranged by Arnold O. Lehmann

Ubi Caritas

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivim. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen. Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us fear and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

Ola Gjeilo

The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Twelve Gates to the City

Refrain:

Oh, what a beautiful city,
Oh, what a beautiful city,
Oh, what a beautiful city,
Well, twelve gates into the city, Allelu.

Three gates into the east,
Three gates into the west,
Three gates into the north,
Three gates into the south
Making that twelve.
Twelve gates into the city, Allelu.

Refrain

See those children yonder, They're all dressed in red. They must be the children, Children that Moses led. You know there are twelve, Twelve gates into the city, Allelu.

Refrain

When I get to heaven,
I'm goin' to sing and shout.
There ain't nobody up there
Who's goin' to put me out.
You know there are twelve,
Twelve gates into the city, Allelu.

Refrain

Amen.

Text: Traditional Based on Revelation 21:13-14 arr. Bruce Trinkley Soloist: Ryan Gurgel

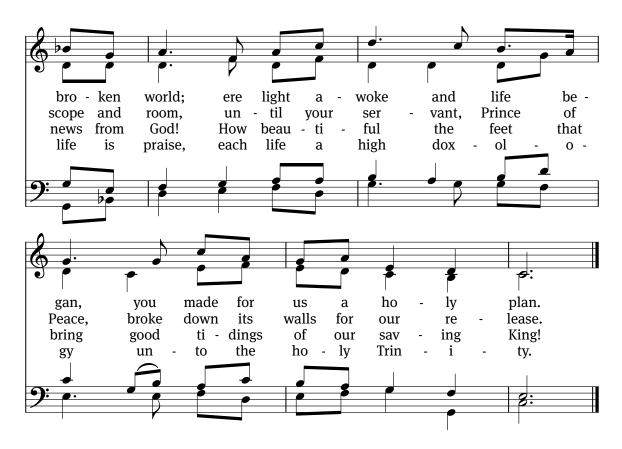
Amen.

O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

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To be sung as follows: 1: All 2: All (in parts) 3: Chorus 4: All





Text: Martin Franzmann Tune: JERUSALEM, C.H.H. Parry, 1848–1918 Setting by Alfred V. Fedak

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See

Lord, when your glory I shall see
And taste your kingdom's pleasure,
Your blood my royal robe shall be,
My joy beyond all measure!
When I appear before your throne,
Your righteousness shall be my crown;
With these I need not hide me.
And there, in garments richly wrought,
As your own bride I shall be brought
To stand in joy beside you.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676 tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt. Tune: Kurt J. Eggert, 1923–1993 Arr. Carl F. Schalk, 1992

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President of the Chorus

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Instrumentalists Emmalie Olsen, *flute*

Zachary Satorius, guitar

Jack Boatman, violin Lori Guse, violin Jessi Kolberg, viola Karl Christie, cello Charles Ledvina, bass

Rev. Thomas Bauer, trumpet Joshua Koelpin, trumpet Christian Willick, french horn Jacob Ungemach, euphonium Justin Steinke, trombone

The Seminary Chorus

TENOR I

Keith Brassow	Osceola, WI
Noah Bruckschen	Manitowoc, WI
Andrew Carter	Brownsville, WI
Josh Frailing	Appleton, WI
Jonah Schlomer	Helenville, WI
Aaron Schultz	Rhinelander, WI
Matthew Steinfeldt	Dakota, MN
Christian Willick	Elm Grove, WI

TENOR II

Duke Backhaus	Tomah, WI
Ben Balge	New Ulm, MN
Drew Dey	Bay City, MI
Elijah Ehlert	Black Creek, WI
Noah Hartmann	Melbourne, FL
Ryan Henning	New Ulm, MN
Jacob Klug	Menomonee Falls, WI
Caleb Koelpin	Dallas, TX
Joshua Koelpin	New Ulm, MN
Zachary Satorius	Annandale, VA
Daniel Wessel	New Ulm, MN
Adam Westra	Columbia, TN



BASS I

Grant Hagen	Greenville, WI
Nathan Holz	Clarksville, TN
Caleb King	Lomira, WI
Adam Kock	Johnson City, TN
Jon Kock	Johnson City, TN
Martin Loescher	Jackson, WI
Robert Read	Richardson, TX
Dan Schmidt	Oconomowoc, WI
Jacob Schmidt	Oconomowoc, WI
Ethan Schultz	Waukesha, WI
Sam Schulz	DeForest, WI
Zach Semmann	Grafton, WI
Justin Steinke	San Antonio, TX
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Jacob Ungemach	Manitowoc, WI
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