# UNITED WSONG

A Summer Hymn Festival Featuring The Choirs of Three Area Churches



# JULY 28, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2 St. Thomas Ave. - Savannah, GA 31406

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude - "Lord of the Dance"

Justin Addington, Organ & Tripp Hardee, Piano

arr. Joel Raney

Welcome & Invocation

Colette Hammesfahr

Solo Introit - "Come to Me" Tanner King, Tenor Laura Nottingham Gotwalt, Cello

Call to Worship (the people standing) Colette Hammesfahr

One: O Lord, open our lips,

#### All: And our mouth will proclaim your praise.

One: Creator God, because you make all that draws forth our praise and the forms in which to express it,

- All: We praise you.
- One: Because you make artists of us all, awakening courage to look again at what is taken for granted, grace to share these insights with others, vision to reveal the future already in being,
- All: We praise you.

by Dan Forrest

- One: Because you form your Word among us, and in your great work embrace all human experience, even death itself, inspiring our resurrection song,
- All: We praise you. Glory to your name. Amen.

Hymn - "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (the people standing)



Text: Joachim Neander

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

Anthem - "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" Combined Choirs

Scripture Reading - Psalm 100 (NRSV) Jane Gilchrist, Lay Reader

1 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.2 Serve the Lord with gladness;come into his presence with singing.

3 Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.

5 For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Solo - "How Great Thou Art" Carolyn Cohen, Soprano

Anthem - "Great Is the Lord"

St. Thomas' Episcopal Church Choir

arr. Lloyd Larson

by Jay Althouse

Scripture Reading - Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17 (NRSV) Maureen Field, Lav Reader

> 1 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, 3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

12 Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Piano Duet - "Andante Grazioso" from Opus 72 Justin Addington & James Richardson by Anton Dvořák

Anthem - "Through It All" First Baptist Church Choir Evan Goetz, Soloist Carol Melton, Percussion by Andraé Crouch

Scripture Reading - Revelation 5:11-14 (NRSV) Allison Shearouse, Lay Reader

> 11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, 12 singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" 13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" 14 And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Vocal Duet - "Like a River in My Soul" Danny Cohen, Baritone & Suade Anderson, Tenor

Anthem - "He Leadeth Me" First Presbyterian Church Choir

Moment for Missions Colette Hammesfahr

Anthem - "O Love"

Combined Choirs Laura Nottingham Gotwalt, Cello by Tim Osiek & Dan Forrest

by Benjamin Wegner

by Elaine Haggenberg

Hymn - "When in Our Music God Is Glorified" (the people standing)

1. When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad -0 -**2.** How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, have found we a new di-So has the church in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and 3. And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night 4. when ut - most 5. Let in - stru-ment be tuned for Let all ev - ery praise! re ra - tion leaves no room for pride,  $\mathbf{it}$  $\mathbf{is}$ as though the whole cremen - sion in the world of sound, wor-ship moved us  $\mathbf{as}$ to а the truth in love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, borne wit-ness to e - vil strove a - gainst the light? Then let us sing, for whom he joice who have a voice And may God to raise! give us faith to 1.-4. 5. a - tion cried more pro-found ev - ery tongue, Al - le - lu - ia! Al le - lu - ia! won the fight: sing al - ways

Text: Fred Pratt Green

Tune: ENGELBERG

Benediction

*Kyle Reese* 

Postlude - "To God Be the Glory"

arr. Joel Raney

Justin Addington, Organ & Tripp Hardee, Piano

Following the postlude, all are invited to a reception in the Parish Hall. Special thanks to Boo McCullough, Lizann Roberts, and the St. Martha's Guild of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church for preparing this evening's reception.

# **TONIGHT'S LEADERSHIP**

#### **First Baptist Church**

Rev. Dr. Kyle T. Reese, Senior Minister Rev. Dr. Justin L. Addington, Associate Minister Rev. James C. Richardson, Organist Emeritus

## First Presbyterian Church

Mrs. Allison Shearouse, Director of Christian Education Mr. Charles Tanner King, Associate Director of Music Rev. Holland Morgan, Interim Organist

## St. Thomas' Episcopal Church

Rev. Colette Hammesfahr, Associate Rector Mr. Tripp A. Hardee, Minister of Music & Organist Miss Carolyn Cohen, Cantor

