

Milledgeville Singers Guild

Presents

Two Turtle Doves

Monday, 13th December, 2004 7:30 p.m. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Tuesday, 14th December, 2004 7:30 p.m. First Presbyterian Church

Magnificat

Soprano: Elizabeth Hill

Jan Dismas Zelenka (1679-1745)

My Dancing Day

arr. Robert Shaw (1916-1999) / Alice Parker (b. 1925)

Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day

John Gardner (b. 1917)

How Bright and Fair the Morning Star

from Cantata 36 Philip Nicolai, (1556-1608)

Jesus Bleibet Meine Freude

from Cantata 146 J. S. Bach

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

Adam Gumpeltzheimer (1565-1625)

Immortal Babe

Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)

Chamber group: Leanne Benson, Kim Hornsby, Will Humphrey, Cissy Lane,
Michael Newberry, Louise Sallstrom, Arnold Wade

The Snow Lay on the Ground

Venite adoremus arr. Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

Up! Good Christen Folk and Listen

Piae Cantiones arr. G.R. Woodward (1848-1934)

Deux chants Provençal de Noël

Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella
Touro-louro-louro!

arr. Shaw / Parker

Nicolas Saboly (1614-1675) arr. Shaw / Parker

Jül, Jül, Strälände Jül

Gustav Nordqvist (1886-1946)

The Shepherd's Pipe Carol

arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

Silent Night

Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863), arr. Rhonda Polay (b. 1953)

Silent Night (Hymnbook # 60 - Presbyterian, # 111 - Episcopal)

Franz Xaver Gruber

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Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

About the group...

The Milledgeville Singers Guild (MSG) is in its third successful season of providing audiences with outstanding choral literature. Our singers come from all walks of life and give their time each Monday evening for the love of singing. The group has performed Vivaldi's *Gloria*, portions of Handel's *Messiah* and of Brahms's *ein Deustches Requiem*, a "Patchwork" *Requiem*, and a great variety of other works!

Caroline Carson – Currently the Director of Music at First Presbyterian Church in Milledgeville, GA and choral magnet teacher at Central HS in Macon, GA., Caroline is also a doctoral conducting student at the University of South Carolina. She has taught at the University level in the USA and in Bulgaria. This June, she will teach a class and work with the choirs at Bethlehem Bible College in Jerusalem. She will then visit The American University of Cairo in Egypt where she will observe music classes and hold a one-day choral workshop. Caroline loooooooves choral music!

David Cole - David currently serves as Minister of Music at Hardwick Baptist Church in addition to assisting with the Singers Guild. He holds Church Music degrees in Organ and Voice from Furman and Samford Universities. David is in high demand as an Organist, Accompanist, Baritone soloist, and is an active member of the AGO.

Elizabeth Hill - Elizabeth Hill is a recent graduate of the University of South Carolina, currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Voice Performance from USC. She has appeared in numerous operas with the USC Opera Company, including *Così fan Tutte*, *Suor Angelica*, *The Magic Flute*, *The Telephone* and *The Marriage Contract*. She also appeared in the Newberry Opera production of *The Merry Widow*. In addition to opera, she joined the *Trustus* Theatre company for their productions of *A...My Name Will Always Be Alice* and *Bat Boy*. She has also been a featured soloist with the USC Summer Chorus and Graduate Vocal Ensemble. She currently is a soloist and section leader at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Columbia, SC.

Marion Sprott – A recent graduate of the University of South Carolina Masters in Piano Performance program, Marion has worked as both music director and accompanist for several musicals in the Columbia area including *Guys and Dolls*, *A...My Name Will Always Be Alice*, and *Nunsense*. Ms. Sprott is also active in the productions of the USC Opera company. She has accompanied for *Dialogue of the Carmelites*, *Ahmal* and *the Night Visitors*, *Little Red Riding Hood*, *Rape of Lucrecia*, *The Consul*, *Don Pasquale* and *La Bohème*. Presently she is a soloist at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Columbia and assistant director of the children's choirs. Marion is also a USC staff accompanist.

William L. Humphrey – William Humphrey is an Elementary school teacher in Wilkinson County, GA. He has performed extensively in various genres throughout the world, including in the Atlanta Symphony Chorus under the direction of the late Robert Shaw. He is available as a soloist for Oratorios, Cantatas or Weddings. His marriage to Becky has lasted longer than anyone thought she would put up with him. Their son Leigh is a chef at the Ritz-Carlton Lodge in Greensboro, Ga.

Donations are gratefully accepted this evening as you exit the church. They will be used for this evening's instrumentalists and accompanist fees and for our spring concerts. Checks may be made out to "First Presbyterian Church" and designated – "Singers Guild" or "MSG".

A HUGE thank you to the following people who have been extra helpful and personally encouraging.

First Presbyterian Church and Rev. Julia Parker Simmons, David Cole, Gay Cowan, Kate Phillips,

Rev. Chuck Robertson, and Dr. Larry D. Wyatt! You are awesome! - Caroline

Instrumentalists

Oboe I - Dr. Adrian Gnam **Oboe II** - Douglas Keith
Violin I - David Johnson **Violin II** - Marina Volynets (Monday) Sue Tomlin (Tuesday)
Viola - Dr. Wendy Mullen **Cello** - Barbara Altman

Milledgeville Singers Guild Personnel

SOPRANO	Shoe Size	TENOR	Shoe Size
Carmen Leanne Benson	10 ½	Gay Cowan	7 ½ M
Suzanne Courtney	9 M	Michael Newberry	12 EE
Louise Florencourt	6 ½ AA	Anisio Santos	12
Cissy Lane	7 ½		
Cindy Rivers	7 ½		
Rae Wade	9		
Ruby Werts	5 ½		

ALTO	Shoe Size	BASS	Shoe Size
Lynn Campbell	7 ½	John Hargaden	10 ½ M
Kim Hornsby	8 M	William L. Humphrey	10 ½
Nancy Jay	9	Eustace Palmer	8 ½
Louise Sallstrom	10	Arnold Wade	11 ½ B
Jennifer Strole	9 ½		
Lucy Underwood	8 ½		
Elizabeth Hill	7 ½	Marion Sprott	7 ½

Accompanist - David Cole 10 ½ **Conductor - Caroline Carson** 8 ½

Upcoming MSG Concerts

April 26 (Tuesday) 7:00 at First Baptist Church - Easter portion of Handel's *Messiah* with a small instrumental ensemble. Come join us and feel free to sing along!

May 13 & 14 (Fri + Sat) A special concert of humor in choral music. Popcorn will also be served (yippee!) Location TBA. The above shoe sizes may be used to solve a puzzle at that time. Hold onto your program for future use.....

Other Special Concerts / Events

March 3 (Thursday) University of South Carolina Concert Choir
 7:00 p.m. First Presbyterian Church Free

April 12 (Tuesday) Poetry Recital: *Away With Words...*
 7:00 p.m. First Presbyterian Church Free
 Featured guest artists

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Luke 1:46-55

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and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm.
He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things.
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He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel
as he promised to our forefathers Abraham, and his seed forever.
Amen.

Would you like to sing with us? We would love to have you!

We are in need of all voice parts. Sight-reading is a benefit. We rehearse on Mondays from 7:00 – 8:30 (sometimes later) at First Presbyterian Church. Spring rehearsals begin on Monday, January 10th. If you are interested in joining us, please fill out the form below and drop it in the donation basket.

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