



The Shenandoah Valley Choral Society presents

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Scott Williamson, Music Director
Amy Robertson, accompanist

THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHORAL SOCIETY has brought exciting concerts of fine choral music to Shenandoah audiences since 1970. Formed to sing the Beethoven *Ninth Symphony* with the Shenandoah Valley Music Festival Orchestra in a concert honoring the 200th anniversary of the composer's birth, the Choral Society soon became a permanently organized chorus, presenting its own concerts, many with instrumentalists from the Shenandoah Valley area as well as with the Richmond Symphony and the Fairfax Symphony.

The Choral Society usually offers concerts each year during the Christmas season, in the spring, and during the summer. Its repertoire ranges from large classical works to the music of Broadway.

Some singers are professionally trained and music is their vocation, but most are amateurs whose various occupations reflect the community at large. All sing for the joy of it.

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For information about Choral Society activities, write P.O. Box 454, Harrisonburg, VA 22801 or telephone (540) 434-6048.

Program

Ave verum corpus
William Byrd, 1543 - 1623

**Let Down the Bars,
O Death**
Samuel Barber, 1910 - 1981

Design for October
Irving Fine, 1914 - 1962
Dwight Miller, baritone
Amy Robertson, piano

**An den wassern zu
Babel sassen wir und
weinten (Psalm 137)**
("At the waters of
Babylon we sat down
and wept")

Tracy Sonafelt and Pat Trella,
soprano
Scott Williamson, tenor
John Horst, baritone

Silouans Song
("My soul yearns
after the Lord...")
Arvo Pärt, 1935

Lay a Garland
Robert Pearsall, 1795-1856

Danny Boy
arr. Joseph Flummerfelt

Ave verum corpus
W. A. Mozart, 1756-1791

INTERMISSION

Requiem
Maurice Duruflé, 1902-1986

Introit	Agnus Dei
Kyrie	Lux Aeterna
Domine Jesu Christe	Libera Me
Sanctus	In Paradisum
Pie Jesu	

**Jesu, Word of God
Incarnate
(Ave Verum)
W.A. Mozart**

Jesu, word of God incarnate,
Of the Virgin Mary born;
On the cross Thy sacred body
For us men with nails was torn.

Cleanse us by the blood and water
Streaming from Thy pierced side,
Feed us with Thy body broken,
Now, and in deaths' agony, now, now,
and in death's agony.

**Ave Verum Corpus
(Hail, O Hail True Body)
William Byrd**

Hail, O hail true body spotless virgin's
virgin birth:

Thou who truly hangedst weary upon
the cruel cross:

Thou whose sacred side was riven,
whence the stream of water
and blood did flow:

O may'st thou, dear Lord be given
at death's hour to be my food.

O tender, O loving, O Jesu Son of Mary,
Show on me thy mercy.
Amen.

**Requiem
Maurice Duruflé**

Introit

Give them eternal rest, Lord:
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
A hymn becomes you, God, in Zion,
and a vow shall be paid
to you in Jerusalem.
Hear my prayer:
to you all flesh shall come.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Domine Jesu Christe

Lord Jesus Christ, king of glory,
deliver the souls of all the faithful departed
from the punishments of hell
and from the deep lake.
Deliver them from the mouth of the lion,
lest Tartarus swallow them up,
lest they fall into darkness:
but let the standard-bearer Saint Michael
bring them back into the holy light
which you once promised
to Abraham and his seed.
We offer prayers and sacrifices
to you, Lord:
you receive them on behalf of those souls
whose memory we recall today:
cause them, Lord, to pass
from death to the life
which you once promised
to Abraham and his seed.

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Pie Jesu

Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them rest.
Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them eternal rest.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world
Give them eternal rest.

Lux Aeterna

May everlasting light shine on them, Lord,
with you saints for ever,
for you are good.
Give them eternal rest, Lord,
and may perpetual light shine on them,
for you are good.

Libera Me

Lord, deliver me from eternal death,
on that terrible day:
when the heavens and
earth will be shaken:
when you will come to
judge the age with fire.
I am made to tremble, and I am afraid,
since trial and anger are coming.
That day, a day of anger,
disaster and sorrow,
a mighty day, and one exceedingly bitter.
Give them eternal rest, Lord,
and may perpetual light shine on them.

In Paradisum

May the angels receive you in paradise:
may the martyrs receive you as you arrive,
and bring you into the
holy city of Jerusalem.
May the choir of angels receive you,
and with Lazarus, once a beggar,
may you have eternal rest.