



# Messiah

By George Friderick Handel (1685-1759)



## Stockton Chorale Jubilate Baroque Orchestra

**Saturday, May 17, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.**

Faye Spanos Concert Hall  
University of the Pacific, Stockton CA

**Magen Solomon**, Artistic Director and Conductor  
**Jessica Siena**, Soprano  
**Lisa van der Ploeg**, Mezzo-Soprano  
**Daniel Ebbbers**, Tenor  
**Silas Elash**, Bass

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### Part One

Sinfonie

### Part Two

Chorus: Behold the Lamb of God

*Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world.*  
(John 1: 29)

Alto Air: He was despised

*He was despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.*  
(Isaiah 53: 3)

Chorus: Surely, He hath borne our griefs

*Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows!*  
*He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities;*  
*the chastisement of our peace was upon Him.*  
(Isaiah 53: 4-5)

Tenor Recitative: Thy rebuke hath broken His heart

*Thy rebuke hath broken His heart: He is full of heaviness. He looked for some to have pity on Him,*  
*but there was no man, neither found He any to comfort him.*  
(Psalm 69: 20)

Tenor Arioso: Behold, and see if there be any sorrow

*Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto His sorrow.*  
(Lamentations 1: 12)

Tenor Recitative: He was cut off out of the land of the living

*He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgressions of Thy people was He stricken.*  
(Isaiah 53: 8)

Tenor Air: But Thou didst not leave His soul in hell

*But Thou didst not leave His soul in hell; nor didst Thou suffer Thy Holy One to see corruption.*  
(Psalm 16: 10)

Chorus: Lift up your heads

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of Glory shall come in.  
Who is this King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, The Lord mighty in battle.  
Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of Glory shall come in.  
Who is this King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.  
(Psalm 24: 7-10)*

Tenor Recitative: Unto which of the angels said he

*Unto which of the angels said He at any time: "Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee?"  
(Hebrews 1: 5)*

Chorus: Let all the angels of God worship Him

*Let all the angels of God worship Him.  
(Hebrews 1: 6)*

Alto Air: Thou art gone up on high

*Thou art gone up on high; Thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts for men;  
yea, even from Thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.  
(Psalm 68: 18)*

Chorus: The Lord gave the word

*The Lord gave the word; great was the company of the preachers.  
(Psalm 68: 11)*

Soprano Air: How beautiful are the feet of them

*How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things.  
(Isaiah 52: 7; Romans 10: 15)*

Chorus: Their sound is gone out into all lands

*Their sound is gone out into all lands, and their words unto the ends of the world.  
(Romans 10: 18; Psalm 19: 4)*

Bass Air: Why do the nations so furiously rage together

*Why do the nations so furiously rage together, and why do the people imagine a vain thing?  
The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord,  
and against His anointed.  
(Psalm 2: 1-2)*

Chorus: Let us break their bonds asunder

*Let us break their bonds asunder, and cast away their yokes from us.  
(Psalm 2: 3)*

Tenor Recitative: He that dwelleth in heaven

*He that dwelleth in Heav'n shall laugh them to scorn; The Lord shall have them in derision.  
(Psalm 2: 4)*

Tenor Air: Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron

*Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.  
(Psalm 2: 9)*

Chorus: Hallelujah

*Hallelujah: for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.  
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord,  
and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever.  
King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.  
Hallelujah!  
(Revelation 19: 6, Revelation 11: 15, Revelation 19: 16)*

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## Part Three

Soprano Air: I know that my redeemer liveth

*I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.  
And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.  
For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.  
(Job 19: 25-26, I Corinthians 15: 20)*

Chorus: Since by man came death

*Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.  
(I Corinthians 15: 21-22)*

Bass Recitative: Behold, I tell you a mystery

*Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed in a moment,  
in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.  
(I Corinthians 15: 51-52)*

Bass Air: The trumpet shall sound

*The trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.  
For this corruptible must put on incorruption and this mortal must put on immortality.  
(I Corinthians 15: 52-53)*

Alto Recitative: Then shall be brought to pass

*Then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."  
(I Corinthians 15: 54)*

Alto and Tenor Duet: O death, where is thy sting?

*O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?  
The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.  
(I Corinthians 15: 55-56)*

Chorus: But thanks be to God

*But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
(I Corinthians 15: 57)*

Soprano Air: If God be for us, who can be against us?

*If God be for us, who can be against us?  
Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth, who is he that condemneth?  
It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is at the right hand of God,  
who makes intercession for us.  
(Romans 8: 31, Romans 8: 33-34)*

Chorus: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood,  
to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.  
Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne,  
and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.  
(Revelation 5: 12-14)*

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