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WINTER SONGS

featuring the USU Combined Choirs
directed by Cory Evans and Luke Shepherd

Tuesday, December 6, 2016
6 p.m. and 8 p.m.
St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
ALL CHOIRS - Cory Evans/Luke Shepherd
What Child is This? .......... arr. Luke Shepherd
  soloists: Brad Summers and Emily Cottam
  organ: Samantha Bunderson
Nativity Carol ................... John Rutter
  organ: Samantha Bunderson

ORGAN INTERLUDE
Good Christian Men, Rejoice ...... arr. Wilbur Held
  organ: Samantha Bunderson

USU WOMEN'S CHOIR - Luke Shepherd
Personent Hodie ............... arr. John Rutter
  piano: Samantha Bunderson
Let resound today the voices of children, joyfully praising Him who is born to us, given by most high God, and conceived in a virgin’s womb.
He was born into the world, wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a stable for animals, the master of the heavens. The prince of Hell has lost his spoils.
Three Magi came, bearing gifts, and sought the little one, following a star, to worship him, and offer him gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
Let all priests just like the boys sing like angels: “You have come to the world, I pour out praises. Therefore, glory to God in the highest!”

USU CHORALE - Cory Evans
Magnificat ...................... John Rutter
  piano: Samantha Bunderson & Brock Madsen
  My soul doth magnify the Lord 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.

Before The Marvel of This Night .... Carl Schalk
  organ: Samantha Bunderson

Joyfully Sing .................... Brian Petersen
  piano: Samantha Bunderson

ORGAN INTERLUDE
Fanfare on “In Dulci Jubilo” .... Don Michael Dice
  organ: Millie Camire

USU CHAMBER SINGERS - Cory Evans
In the Snow ..................... Pippa Cleary
  soloists: Rebecca Soelberg, Nicole Vander Does, Brad Summers, Ben Krutsch, Devin Davis, Kiah Spjute, Brady Stuart, Savy Despain
In dulci jubilo .................. Matthew Culloton
Alleluya, a new work ............. Peter Wishart
Quem Vidistis Pastores .......... Francis Poulenc
  Whom did you see, shepherds, say, tell us: who has appeared on earth? Christ the savior, from the Virgin. The new-born we saw and choirs of angels praising the Lord. Say, what did you see? And tell us of Christ’s nativity.

*There is no Rose ................ Jonathan Lane
  *American premiere

Benedicamus Domino ............. Peter Warlock
  A boy comes forth, Eya, this is our time,
  From the womb of a virgin. Glory! Praise!
  God is made man and immortal.
Without the seed of a man. Eya, this is our time,
Without the means of a man, Eya, this is our time,
  He is born of Mary. Glory! Praise!
  God is made man and immortal.

On this appointed feast, Eya, this is our time,
Let us bless the Lord. Glory! Praise!
God is made man and immortal.

ORGAN INTERLUDE
Von Himmel Hoch ............... arr. Wilbur Held
  organ: Kenyon Smith

O virgo splendens .... Montserrat (14th century)
O Virgin, shining brightly, on this high mountain, with splendid miracles all around, where the believers from everywhere ascend. Ah, with your gentle loving eye behold those caught in the bonds of sin, that they not be vexed by the blows of hell but be called among the blessed by your prayer.

Cradle Hymn ..................... Kim Andre Arnesen
  piano: Samantha Bunderson

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas .............. arr. Luke Shepherd
Rise Up, Shepherd . . . . . . . arr. Joseph Joubert
soloists: Sarah Gagnon, Paul Farrell, Amanda Glancy

ALL CHOIRS - Cory Evans
O, come all ye faithful . . . . . . . . . arr. Mack Wilberg
organ: Millie Camire
piano: Samantha Bunderson

Tonight's concert will be broadcast on Utah Public Radio (89.5 FM or online at upr.org):
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