

Welcome to the concert.

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Thank you.**

The Martin Luther College Choir is an auditioned choir representing the various educational programs offered at MLC.

The choir rehearses five times a week to prepare a program of choral music to take to various areas of the WELS. In recent years the choir has sung at congregations in Alaska, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, New Mexico, Tennessee, Texas, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. The choir was also privileged to travel to our missions in Mexico in 2008.

In addition to this choir, Martin Luther College has other opportunities for students to participate in ensemble performance. There are three other choirs: Männerchor, Women's Choir, and College Chorale. In the instrumental area: a Wind Symphony and the Hosanna Ringers. These ensembles are open to all students, and entry is via an audition process.

Academic programs in the area of music at MLC include programs in K-12 Choral Music, K-12 Instrumental Music, and Parish Music. For further information about these or other programs at MLC, visit the MLC website at mlc-wels.edu or call 507-354-8221.

If you are interested in purchasing recordings of this program or previous programs, you may order them by contacting the Martin Luther College Bookstore at mlc-wels.edu/bookstore or 507-354-8221.

to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit . . .
Creator and Preserver

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Blessed Jesus, at your Word
We are gathered all to hear you.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
Now to seek and love and fear you,
By your teachings, sweet and holy,
Drawn from earth to love you solely.

Gracious Savior, good and kind,
Light from Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind;
Help us by your Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry your people raises;
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
Ponder anew
what the Almighty can do
if with his love he befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the "Amen"
sound from his people again;
gladly for aye we adore him.

For the Fruit of All Creation

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God!
Gifts bestowed on ev'ry nation, thanks be to God!
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God!

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God!
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God!
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that Love has found us, thanks be to God!

Dominus Regnavit (Psalm 99)

Dominus regnavit!

*Commoveantur populi,
sedet super cherubim,
moveatur terra.*

The LORD reigns!

Let the nations tremble;
he sits enthroned between the cherubim,
let the earth shake.

*Dominus in Sion est. Dominus magnus
et excelsus super omnes populos.*

Great is the LORD in Zion;
he is exalted over all the nations.

*Confiteantur nomini tuo magno
et terribili, quoniam sanctum est.*

Let them praise your great and awesome name—
he is holy.

*Exaltate Dominum Deum nostrum
et adorete ad scabellum pedum eius,
quoniam sanctus est.*

Exalt the LORD our God
and worship at his footstool;
he is holy.

*Invocabant Dominum,
et ipse exaudiebat eos,
in columna nubis loquebatur ad eos.*

They called on the LORD
and he answered them.
He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud;

*Custodiebant testimonia eius
et praeceptum, quod dedit illis.*

they kept his statutes
and the decrees he gave them.

*Exaltate Dominum Deum nostrum
et adorete ad montem sanctum eius,
quoniam sanctus Dominus Deus noster.
Alleluia! Amen.*

Exalt the LORD our God
and worship at his holy mountain,
for the LORD our God is holy.
Alleluia! Amen.

Do Not Be Afraid

Refrain: Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by your name; you are mine.

When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you;
you will never sink beneath the waves.
When the fire is burning all around you,
you will never be consumed by the flames. *Refrain.*

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
then remember I am at your side.
When you dwell in the exile of a stranger,
remember you are precious in my eyes. *Refrain.*

You are mine, O my child, I am your Father,
and I love you with a perfect love. *Refrain.*

Denn Er hat seinen Engeln

*Denn Er hat seinen Engeln
befohlen über dir,
daß sie dich behüten
auf allen deinen Wegen,
daß sie dich auf den Händen tragen
und du deinen Fuß
nicht an einen Stein stoßest.*

For he will command his angels
concerning you
to guard you
in all your ways;
they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot
against a stone.

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Let ev'ry creature join to praise the one eternal God,
ye heav'nly hosts the song begin and sound his name abroad!

Jesus, the name that calms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of cancelled sin, he sets the pris'ner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

He speaks, and list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

To God all glory, praise, and love be ever, ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

An address from Martin Luther College Choir president, Joshua Severeid.

(Joshua is a 4th year student at Martin Luther College. He will graduate in May of 2017.)

*to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit . . .
Redeemer and Brother*

Star in the East

Hail thou blest morn when the great mediator,
Down from the regions of glory descends.
Shepherds go worship the babe in the manger,
Lo, for his guard the bright angels attend.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid.
Star in the East the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dew drops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall.
Angels adore him in slumbers reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Savior of all.

Say, shall we yield him in costly devotion,
Odors of Edom and off'rings divine,
Gems from the mountain and pearls from the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest and gold from the mine.

Surely

Then John saw Jesus and he said:

“Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.” (*John 1:29*)

Surely he bore our griefs and carried our sorrows,
yet we considered him punished by God,
stricken by him and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our transgressions,
by his wounds we are healed. (*Isaiah 53:4-6*)

The sinless Son of God must die in sadness;
The sinful son of man may live in gladness;
We forfeited our lives, yet are acquitted.
God is committed! (*CW 117, st. 5*)

Surely he has borne our griefs.

Heaven's Door (*optional*)

As Mary walked to the tomb that day, an angel rolled the stone away.
“Have no fear,” the angel said, “your Lord is risen from the dead.”

Refrain: Sing, “Alleluia! God be praised; Jesus from the tomb is raised.”
Sing alleluias evermore, Love has opened heaven's door.

The Roman soldiers grew faint with fear to see a mighty angel appear.
The earth, it shook with a quaking sound, and all of the soldiers hit the ground.

Refrain.

When Peter entered the tomb with John, they both could see that Jesus was gone;
the cloth he wore was there instead, for Christ had risen from the dead.

Refrain.

Then off they ran to tell the story; God had raised his Son to glory.
“Go, deliver the news,” they said, “that Christ is risen from the dead.”

Refrain.

Jesus Is Lord

“Jesus is Lord”— the cry that echoes through creation:
Resplendent pow’r, eternal Word, our Rock.
The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens,
yet bids us come to taste this Living Bread.

“Jesus is Lord”— whose voice sustains the stars and planets,
yet in his wisdom laid aside his crown.
Jesus the Man, who washed our feet, who bore our suff’ring,
became a curse to bring salvation’s plan.

“Jesus is Lord”— the tomb is gloriously empty!
Not even death could crush this King of love!
The price is paid, the chains are loosed, and we’re forgiven,
and we can run into the arms of God.

“Jesus is Lord”— a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
as he returns and ev’ry knee bows low.
Then ev’ry eye and ev’ry heart will see his glory;
The Judge of all will take his children home.

Ubi Caritas

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Amen.*

Where charity and love are, God is there.
The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Let us revere and love the living God.
And from a sincere heart let us love one another.
Amen.

To the Lamb on the Throne

Please stand and join in singing stanza 4.

1. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.
2. "Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.
3. God rules in the height, almighty to save;
though hid from our sight, his presence we have,
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

4. Then let us a - dore and give him his right, all
glo - ry and pow'r, all wis - dom and might; all
hon - or and bless - ing with an - gels a - bove, and
thanks nev - er ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/4 time signature. The music is written in a single line for each staff, with lyrics centered under the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

A free-will offering will be received at this time. The offering is used to defray the expenses of the choir. Your generosity is appreciated.

to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit . . .
Sanctifier and Comforter

Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

Please join in singing stanzas 1 and 4.

1. Now to the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray
4. Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light,
for true faith, most need - ed on our way:
that we Je - sus Christ may know a - right,
Guide us and de - fend us when life is end - ing and our
cling - ing to our Sav - ior, whose blood has bought us, who to
jour - ney home - ward is tend - ing. Lord, have mer - cy!
our true home - land has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

- (Choir)
2. O sweetest Love, your grace on us bestow;
set our hearts with sacred fire aglow,
that with hearts united we love each other,
ev'ry stranger, sister, and brother. Lord, have mercy!
 3. Transcendent comfort in our ev'ry need,
help us neither scorn nor death to heed,
that we may not falter, nor courage fail us
when the foe shall taunt and assail us. Lord, have mercy!

Veni Creator Spiritus

*Veni Creator Spiritus,
Mentes tuorum visita,
Imple superna gratia.
Quae tu creasti pectora.*

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,
And make our hearts your place of rest;
Come with your grace and heav'nly aid,
And fill the hearts which you have made.

*Accende lumen sensibus
Infunde amorem cordibus,
Infirma nostri corporis
Virtute firmans perpeti.*

Your light to ev'ry thought impart,
And shed your love in ev'ry heart;
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And you, from both, as Three in One,
That we your name may ever bless
And in our lives the truth confess.

Veni Sancte Spiritus (Come, Holy Spirit)

Create in me, O Lord, a new heart.
Forgive my sins to grant a new start.
O cast me not away, O Lord,
fulfill your promise true . . .Veni sancte Spiritus.

Although I often stray far from your side,
show me your holy way, Lord, be my guide.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation
promised true . . . Veni sancte Spiritus.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me,
Cast me not away from thy presence
and take not thy holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation
and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Wash me, O Lord, to cleanse me from all sin.
Renew a righteous spirit deep within.
Breathe through me and uphold me with your spirit
free and true . . . Veni sancte Spiritus.

*to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit . . .
Blessed, Holy Trinity*

Our Father

Holy, holy, holy, Lord of Sabaoth, heav'n and earth are full of thy glory.
Thine are kingdoms, thrones, dominions, might and majesty.
Thy name be hallowed on earth, as it is hallowed in heav'n.

Thou givest strength to the weak; thou rememb'rest the poor and the distress'd.
And upon them that fear thy name show'rs of blessing unnumber'd shall fall:
Peace shall follow them. By still waters their path shall be.

Sing then of mercy, of judgment, of kingdoms,
of thrones, dominions and pow'rs forevermore.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Come to us, O Lord, in splendor bright. Fill our hearts with everlasting light. Amen.

Alleluia

Abide with Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour.
O, what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who, like thyself, my Guide and Stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee.
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Notes

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Text by Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619-84
Melody by Johann R. Ahle, 1625-73, alt.
Setting by Kermit Moldenhauer, b. 1949
Manuscript

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Text by Joachim Neander, 1650-80
Translated by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78
Arranged by F. Melius Christiansen, 1871-1955
Augsburg Fortress 0-8006-4504-9

For the Fruit of All Creation

Text by Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000
Music: Welsh folk tune arranged by Jonathan Rodgers
Pavane Publishing P1522

Dominus Regnavit

Text from Psalm 99
Music by Levente Gyöngyösi
Kontrapunkt Music, Budapest

Do Not Be Afraid

Text from Isaiah 43
Music by Philip Stopford
MorningStar MSM-50-9818

Denn Er hat seinen Engeln

Text from Psalm 91:11-12
Music by Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-47
cpdl.org

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Text by Charles Wesley 1707-1788
Music by Mark Hayes (Quoting AZMON)
Beckenhorst Press BP2070

Piano: Lucas Krogmann
Flute: Hope Werre
Trumpet: Jonathan Witte
Horn: Andrew Krueger
Percussion: Caitlyn Eisner, Zachary Scharlemann

Star in the East

Early American
Arranged by Brad Holmes
bradholmesmusic.com

Surely

Text from John 1:29, Isaiah 53:4-6
"O Dearest Jesus" st. 5 by Johann Heermann 1585-1647
Music by Kermit Moldenhauer
manuscript

Soprano Sax: Joshua Severeid
Soprano Solo: Jennifer Adickes

Heaven's Door

Text by Nancy Gifford based on Matthew 28:1-8 and Luke 24:1-12
Tune: SOLDIER'S DANCE
Setting by Nancy Gifford
Hinshaw Music HMC2379

Piano: Cassandra Schwark
Flute: Shannon Eggers

Jesus Is Lord

Text and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend
Arranged by James Koerts
Soundforth 281865

Piano: Ryan Henning

Ubi Caritas

Text: Latin antiphon
Music by Ola Gjeilo
Walton Music WW1386

Piano: Ryan Henning

To the Lamb on the Throne

Text by Charles Wesley
Music by Dan Forrest
Beckenhorst Press BP2075

Organ: Lucas Krogmann
Trumpet: Jonathan Witte, Jason Werre
Horn: Megan Ungemach
Trombone: Carl Boeder
Euphonium: Emma Schibbelhut
Timpani: Zachary Scharlemann

Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

Text: Stanza 1-Medieval German
Stanzas 2-4 by Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. composite
Tune: NUN BITTEN WIR
J. Walter, *Geistliche Gesangbüchlein*, 1524
Setting by Zebulon M. Highben
AugsburgFortress 978-145149256-9

Organ: Lucas Krogmann
Trumpet: Jonathan Witte

Veni Creator Spiritus

Music by Anthony Bernarducci
Hinshaw Music HMC2410

Djembe: Zachary Scharlemann

Veni Sancte Spiritus

Text from Psalm 51:10-12

Piano: Shannon Eggers
Oboe: Rachel Winter
Percussion: Caitlyn Eisner, Zachary Scharlemann

Our Father

Text adapted by Arthur S. Kimball
Music by Alexander Gretchaninoff, 1864-1956
Theodore Presser 332-13000

Alleluia

Music by Jake Runestad
JR Music
JakeRunestad.com

Abide with Me

Text by Henry Lyte
Music by David Rasbach
Beckenhorst Press BP1954-2

Piano: Rachel Nitz

Martin Luther College Choir

Kermit Moldenhauer, *Conductor*

Soprano 1

Jennifer Adickes La Crosse, WI
Catherine Backer Burnsville, MN
Caitlyn Eisner Grafton, WI
Madeline McMullen Roland, IA
Emma Schibbelhut Onalaska, WI
Elizabeth Sweigard Norfolk, NE
Rachel Trimmer Parkville, MD

Soprano 2

Elizabeth Adelmeyer Theresa, WI
**Allison Dorn Crete, IL
Raquel Freese Spring, TX
Margaret Frey West Bend, WI
Sarah Schulte La Valle, WI
Megan Ungemach Manitowoc, WI
Lydia Wassermann La Crosse, WI
Hope Werre Sun Prairie, WI

Alto 1

Allison Bovee New Ulm, MN
Kati Guenterberg Appleton, WI
Heidi Kruger Mauston, WI
Rebecca Nemmers Allen, TX
Jazzmin Sanchez Milwaukee, WI
Cassandra Schwark Elkhorn, WI
Laura Ungemach Trevor, WI
Rachel Winter Manitowoc, WI

Alto 2

Julia Barthels Two Rivers, WI
Shannon Eggers West Bend, WI
Rachel Nitz Sanford, MI
Sophia Petermann Saginaw, MI
Sarah Peters Fort Atkinson, WI
Emily Renner Watertown, SD
Rachel Riediger West Salem, WI
Anna Ungemach Manitowoc, WI

Tenor 1

Carl Boeder New Ulm, MN
Lucas Krogmann Iron Ridge, WI
Andrew Krueger Findlay, OH
Zachary Scharlemann New Ulm, MN
Jacob Seelman Sturgeon Bay, WI
Joseph Shiery San Marcos, CA

Tenor 2

Paul Bourman Rochester, MN
Joshua Enstad Andover, MN
William Geisz Wheat Ridge, CO
Jeffrey Rick La Valle, WI
*Joshua Severeid Federal Way, WA
Jason Werre Sun Prairie, WI

Bass 1

Michael Dey Bay City, MI
Luke Dorn Lewiston, MN
Ryan Henning New Ulm, MN
Rudy Nelson Robbinsdale, MN
Joel Prange Burlington, WI
Daniel Roemhildt North Mankato, MN
Jonathan Witte Fond du Lac, WI

Bass 2

Alec Bergmann Slinger, WI
Jacob Brohn Hudson, WI
Christopher Hosbach West Allis, WI
Michael Koester South Bend, IN
Martin Loescher Jackson, WI
Philip Schroeder Watertown, WI
Nathan Wong New Ulm, MN

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** Choir Secretary

2016 Schedule

February 26	Christ	Baxter, MN
February 27	Redeemer	Rice Lake, WI
February 28	St. John	Lewiston, MN
March 11	Pilgrim	Mesa, AZ
March 12	East Fork School	Whiteriver, AZ
March 13	Grace	San Carlos, AZ
	Shepherd of the Hills	Tucson, AZ
March 14	Cross of Glory	Peoria, AZ
March 15	Arizona Lutheran Academy	Phoenix, AZ
	Water of Life	Las Vegas, NV
March 16	Shepherd of the Hills	La Mesa, CA
March 17	Christ the Vine	Temecula, CA
March 18	California Lutheran High School	Wildomar, CA
	St. Paul First	North Hollywood, CA
March 19	St. Mark	Citrus Heights, CA
March 20	Hope	Penryn, CA
	Mt. Calvary	Redding CA
April 3	Martin Luther College	New Ulm, MN
April 8	Immanuel	Medford, WI
April 9	Morning Star	Jackson, WI
April 10	Peace	Wilmot, WI

