21st Annual Christ Church Cathedral Chorister Festival

Solemn Choral Evensong



FEBRUARY 23, 2020 4:00 p.m.

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Cathedral Parish of the Diocese of Tennessee (Episcopal)

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Solemn Choral Evensong

The Right Reverend John C. Bauerschmidt Bishop of Tennessee

The Very Reverend Timothy E. Kimbrough Dean and Rector, Christ Church Cathedral

The Reverend Matthew W. Lewis

Assistant to the Rector

Voluntary Benedictus from 12 Pieces, Op. 59

Max Reger (1873-1916)

Introit A Prayer for Charity Philip Wilby (2019)

O Lord, who has taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth, send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, without which whatsoever is counted dead before thee.

Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

The Collect for Quinquagesima

Commissioned by Matthew Owens for the Cranmer Anthem Book.

Today's performance is the world premiere of this piece by Dr. Wilby.

Please stand at the procession.

Hymn 28 O blest Creator, source of light

Bromley

The Invitatory and Psalter
Page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer.

Preces Gary Davison

Phos Hilaron Andrew Walker

Psalm 121 The congregation may be seated chant: Walford Davies

The First Lesson Ecclesiasticus 48:1-11

Magnificat in C major page 65 Charles Villiers Stanford

The Second Lesson Luke 9:18-27

Nunc Dimittis in C major page 66 Charles Villiers Stanford

The Apostles Creed The congregation stands page 66

The Prayers

The Lord's Prayer and the Responses

stand or kneel

Gary Davison

Collects

The congregation may be seated following the third Collect.

A Reading From The Tradition

The Dean

Anthems Love Divine

Howard Goodall

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down, Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast; Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest. Take away our power of sinning, Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive, Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, Pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee. Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Charles Wesley

Closing Prayers

stand

General Thanksgiving

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The Blessing

Hymn 24

The day thou gavest, Lord, has ended

St. Clement

Voluntary

Sonata No. 1 in F Minor, Op. 65 - Allegro assai vivace

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

You are cordially invited to a reception in the Parish Hall immediately following Evensong.

Christ Church Cathedral Chorister Festival 2020

Matthew Owens

Guest Director

Prebendary (Canon) Matthew Owens was named Director of Cathedral Music at Belfast Cathedral in the summer of 2019.

Prior to that he had been Organist and Master of the Choristers of Wells Cathedral since January 2005, having previously been Organist and Master of the Music at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh, and Sub Organist of Manchester Cathedral. In addition to having been responsible for the 1100 year old tradition of daily sung worship at Wells Cathedral, Matthew toured, broadcast, and recorded extensively with Wells Cathedral Choir. He the Founder Artistic Director of three initiatives at Wells: Cathedral Commissions, a scheme which commissions new works from pre-eminent British composers; the cathedral's innovative festival, New Music Wells; and its counterpart, Early Music Wells. Matthew was educated at Chetham's School of Music; The Queen's College, Oxford; the Royal Northern College of Music; and the Sweelinck Conservatorium, Amsterdam. His major organ studies were with Gordon Stewart, Margaret Phillips, and Jacques van Oortmerssen. From 1994-99, he was Tutor in Organ Studies at the RNCM and Chetham's, and worked for BBC Religious Broadcasting; he was Conductor of The Exon Singers from 1997-2011, and President of the Cathedral Organists' Association from 2010-13. Matthew has directed choral workshops and summer schools throughout the UK and abroad - including recent visits to Australia, China, Germany, Hong Kong, Luxembourg, New Zealand, and the USA - and has made over thirty recordings as a conductor with major labels including Hyperion, Signum, and Resonus Classics. As an organist, Matthew has given recitals in Australia, France, Ireland, Spain, Switzerland, New Zealand, the USA, and throughout the UK, including many festival appearances, and at venues such as St Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Cathedral, and St John's Smith Square. He has championed new music, particularly of British composers, conducting over 180 world premieres, including works by leading composers ranging from Jools Holland to Sir James MacMillan, and John Rutter to Sir Peter Maxwell Davies. As a composer himself, he is published by Oxford University Press and Novello.

Peter Rogahn

Guest Organist

Peter Rogahn joined the Music Ministry at First Presbyterian Church of Nashville in October 2019. He enjoys a varied career as an organist, pianist, choral director, and teacher. His mission is to share his passion for music with others through performing, teaching, and mentoring. Peter previously served as Precentor at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. A believer in the positive impact of music in education, he was Choral Accompanist and Instructional Assistant at Lawrence North High School, Indianapolis, where he accompanied the school's six choirs and assisted with music theory, piano, and electronic music classes. Currently, Peter is a candidate for the Doctor of Music degree in Organ Performance and Literature at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. He is a recipient of the Indiana University Artistic Excellence Award and the Indiana University Graduate Tuition Award. Peter also holds a Performer Diploma and a Master of Music degree from Indiana, and a Bachelor of Music degree from Concordia College, Moorhead, MN. His principal teachers have included: Christopher Young, Peter Nygaard, and Harold Rutz.

Choristers from the following parishes make up the Cathedral Chorister Festival Choir:

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Signal Mountain, Tennessee

Philip Newton, Director of Music Ministries

Church of the Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain, Tennessee

John Wigal, Director of Music

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee Paul Thomas, Organist and Choirmaster St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville, Tennessee

Dr. Woosug Kang, Director of Music Ministries Gerry Senechal, Associate Director of Music Ministries and Organist

First Presbyteria Church, Evansville, Indiana Robert Nicholls, Music Director

Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville, Tennessee

Canon Dr. Michael Velting, Organist and Choirmaster

Cantor Thurifer
Virginia Fleming John Whitaker

LectorsUshersRobert NichollsTom GillmanWoosug KangGinny McCoy

Acolyte Verger
Zanol Simmons Ellen Wright

Past Directors of the Christ Church Cathedral Chorister Festival Christ Church Cathedral Nashville, Tennessee

1999	Michael Velting	Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville, TN
2001	Carol Foster	St. Augustine's-in-the-Woods, Whidbey Island, WA
2002	Barbara Beattie	Winston-Salem Children's Chorus, Winston-Salem, NC
2003	John Cummins	St. Paul's Church, Winston-Salem, NC
2004	Tom Whittemore	Trinity Church, Princeton, NJ
2005	Walden Moore	Trinity on the Green, New Haven, CT
2006	Sarah Baldock	Chichester Cathedral, Chichester, England
2007	Frank Boles	St. Paul's Church, Indianapolis, IN
2008	Andrew Walker	St. Michael's Church, Orlando, FL
2009	Jeffrey Smith	Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, CA
2010	Dale Adelmann	Cathedral of St. Philip, Atlanta, GA
2011	Stephen Tappe	St. John's Cathedral, Denver, CO
2012	Michael McCarthy	Washington National Cathedral, Washington, DC
2013	Bruce Neswick	Associate Professor of Organ, Indiana University
2014	Ben Hutto	St. Alban's School for Boys and National Cathedral School for Girls St. John's Church, Lafayette Square, Washington, DC
2015	Michael McCarthy	Washington National Cathedral, Washington, DC
2016	Richard Webster	Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston, MA
2017	Frank Boles	Indianapolis, IN
2018	Michael Kleinschmidt	St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle, WA
2019	Nicholas White	St. Paul's School, Concord, NH