

LAKE GROVE CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS

Let
Love
be Heard

A CHORAL CONCERT
OF UNITY, HEALING,
AND HOPE

FEATURING

Pam Baker GOSPEL SOLOIST

Abigail Krawson SOPRANO

SATURDAY, MAY 30 • 7PM

SUNDAY, MAY 31 • 2PM

LAKE GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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PROGRAM

UNITY

Angels of Heaven

by Kevin Siegfried
(b. 1969)

Love Has Broken Down the Wall

Abigail Krawson, *soloist*

by Mark A. Miller
(b. 1971)

Lead Me, Guide Me

Pam Baker, *soloist*

by Doris Akers
(1923 - 1995)

Alleluia

by Elaine Hagenberg
(b. 1979)

HEALING

Prayer of St. Francis

Abigail Krawson, *soloist*

by Allen Pote
(b. 1945)

If I Can Help Somebody

Pam Baker, *soloist*

arr. André Thomas
(b. 1952)

Yonder Come Day

John Howell, Abigail Krawson, Pam Baker, Aaron Lange, *soloists*

arr. Paul Rudoi
(b. 1980)

HOPE

Slovenia, Odkod Lepote Tvoje

Abigail Krawson, Aaron Lange, *soloists*

Traditional Slovenian Song

Thixo Onothando

Abigail Krawson, Karen McEwan, *soloists*

arr. Michael Barrett
(b. 1975)

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

by Peter C. Lutkin
(1858 - 1951)

Total Praise

Pam Baker, *soloist*

arr. Carol Cymbala
(b. 1947)

I Sing Because I'm Happy

Pam Baker, *soloist*

arr. Jeff Wood
(b. 1983)

CHORAL TEXTS

UNITY

Angels of Heaven

The angels of heaven are marching around
the borders of Zion's holy ground;
Their music harmonious how it doth ring,
and this is the heavenly song they sing:

Holy, holy, holiness unto the Lord.
Love ye, love ye, love ye one another.

by Kevin Siegfried

Love Has Broken Down the Wall

Love has broken down the wall.
Love has broken down the wall.
Let us join our hearts as one.
Love has broken down the wall.

We're accepted as we are.
We're accepted as we are.
Through love's power all is reconciled.
We're accepted as we are.

Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Peace and love, freely offered here;
cast aside your doubts and fears.

We will tear down the walls!
We will tear down every wall!
Love has called us, one and all.
Love has broken down the wall.

by Mark A. Miller

Lead Me, Guide Me

Refrain: Lead me, guide me along the way;
For if You lead me, I cannot stray;
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am weak, and I need Thy strength and power
To help me over my weakest hour;
Let me through the darkness Thy face to see,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Refrain

I am lost, if you take your hand from me;
I am blind, without Thy Light to see;
Lord, just always let me Thy servant be,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Refrain

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
All shall be Amen and Alleluia.
We shall rest and we shall see,
We shall see and we shall know,
We shall know and we shall love,
Behold our end which is no end.
Alleluia, amen!

by Elaine Hagenberg

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord.
Where there is doubt, let there be faith.

Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there's despair let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let there be light.
Where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console.
To be understood, as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
An instrument of thy peace. Amen.

by Francis Pote

HEALING

If I Can Help Somebody

If I can help somebody as I pass along
If I can cheer somebody with a word or song;
If I can show somebody he is traveling wrong;
Then my living shall not be in vain;

If I can help somebody as I pass along,
Then my living shall not be in vain.

If I can do my duty as a Christian ought;
If I can bring back beauty to a world up wrought;
If I can spread Love's message that the master taught;
Then my living shall not be in vain;

If I can help somebody as I pass along,
Then my living shall not be in vain.

arr. André Thomas

Yonder Come Day

Oh day, yonder come day.
Oh day, yonder come day.
Day done broke, inna my soul, yonder come day.

Good mornin' day, yonder come day.
Mornin' day, yonder come day.
Day done broke, inna my soul, yonder come day. Day done broke, inna my soul, yonder come day.

A brand new day, yonder come day.
Brand new day, yonder come day.
Day done broke, inna my soul, yonder come day. Steal away, steal away, I ain't got long to stay here.

Swing low, sweet chariot,
comin' for to carry me home.

arr. Paul Rudoï

HOPE

Slovenia, Odkod Lepote Tvoje

SUNG IN SLOVENIAN

Povsod, kjer mi seže pogled, lepota zasanjana!
Kje najti še lepši je svet, kje lepše je kot doma?
Se s hribov v daljave zazrem prek gričev,
doliin, gora, v daljavi še modro morje uzrem.
Kje lepše je kot doma?

Refren: Slovenija, od kod lepote tvoje,
pozdravljamo teizsrca in screcni tu smodoma!
Slovenija, naj tebi pesem poje, Ne išči sreče
drugod, kot le doma!

Povej še oblaček tibel, obhodil že ves si svet, je
lepša dežela še kje, kot naša, kjer sem doma?
Je vetrič veselo zapel, preletel je prek sveta in
takih lepot ni našel nikjer kot tule, kjer sem doma!

Refren

Thixo Onothando

SUNG IN XHOSA

Thixo onothanodo, ndimi phambi kwakho
Thixo onothanodo, ndiph'
uthando ndifakaze ngawe.
Hosanna phezulu, hosann' enyangweni
Thixo ndila namhla, hosanna

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

The Lord bless you and keep you.
the Lord lift his countenance upon you; and give you peace,
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you.
Amen.

Total Praise

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills,
knowing my help is coming from You.
Your peace You give me in time of the storm.
You are the source of my strength,
You are the strength of my life,
I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

I Sing Because I'm Happy

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free,
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me.

Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart feel lonely
And long for my Heaven and home,
When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He:
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me;

I'm so happy yes, I'm so happy yes I am!

Traditional Slovenian Song

Everywhere I look, beauty is dreamy!
Where can I find a more beautiful world than at
home? From the hills I look into the distance over the
hills, valleys, mountains, in the distance I see the blue
sea. Where is it more beautiful than at home?

Refrain: Slovenia, where does your beauty come
from? We welcome you and your friends here at
home. Slovenia, let the song sing to you,
Don't look for happiness anywhere but at home!

Tell me little cloud, you've traveled the whole
world, is there a more beautiful land than ours?
The breeze sang happily, it flew across the world
and found no such beauty anywhere as here!

Refrain

arr. Michael Barrett

God of love, I stand before thee
God of love, give me love
so I may testify about you.
Hosanna above, hosanna in the highest.
God I am here today, hosanna.

by Peter C. Lutkin

arr. Carol Cymbala

arr. Jeff Wood

LAKE GROVE SANCTUARY CHOIR

Wendy Bamonte, Director

About the Sanctuary Choir

The Sanctuary Choir, directed by Wendy Bamonte, is an all-volunteer choral group of approximately 90 singers. Members come with a wide range of experience and expertise but all share a great love for music and a heart for service and ministry. The choir rehearses Thursday evenings and provides musical leadership on Sunday in addition to special music services and concerts throughout the year. The Sanctuary Choir is devoted to mission outreach (and that extends to today!), including many benefit concerts for our African church partners in Zambia and Senegal, and local mission partners such as Portland Rescue Mission and the Pink Eraser Project. The funds generated from these concerts have helped drill water wells, build schools, provide food in areas affected by drought and crop failure, and support children in need in the Lake Oswego School District. The choir has been on four mission trips where they shared the Gospel through sacred music concerts, participated in joint church services, and made connections with the local communities. These music mission trips, in 2005, 2014, 2017, and 2023 took them to Italy, France, Austria, Belgium, the Netherlands, Ireland, and Spain. In addition to these mission trips, this choir was the only church choir from the Northwest chosen to perform at the 2010 regional American Choral Directors Association in Seattle. The choir enjoys singing a wide variety of musical styles including gospel, spirituals, and music from around the world, as well as larger sacred works such as Bach's *Magnificat* and *Cantata 121*, Vivaldi's *Gloria*, Handel's *Messiah*, Rutter's *Requiem*, Faure's *Requiem*, Hummel's *Mass*, Mozart's *Coronation Mass*, Forrest's *Jubilate Deo*, Esensvald's *Trinity Te Deum*, Hagenberg's *Illuminare*, and Dan Forrest's *Requiem for the Living*. No matter the style, the Sanctuary Choir's singing is always steeped in excellence and always to the Glory of God!

Sanctuary Choir Members

Sopranos

Pam Baker
Whitney Bautista
Karen Blevins
Diana Burke
Linda Canfield
Mary Ann Frantz
Susan Gage
Connie Gunterman
Carly Hampton
Carol Hill
Nancy Hogan
Abby Krawson
Deirdre Layzell
Sydney Massey
Janis McElhinney
Karen McEwan
Hannah Meredith
Helen Louise Parker
Tess Sawyer
Kellie Skenandore
Stephanie Spangler
Gail Stein
Judy Straalsund
Julie Strong
Peggy Williams

Altos

Emily Bamonte
Gail Barram
Charlotte Benedict
Carol Brownrigg
Linda Brugh
Kirsten Carnese
Michele Cook
Elaine Dickson
Emily Easton
Patty Farrell
Zoe Flach
Liz Gauer
Jeannine Graham
Julie Haddad
Kathy Koning
Joann Linville
Jane Martin
Susan Moring
Annie Okada
Lisa Okada
Karen Prigodich
Vanessa Prouty
Chris Ragel
Julie Regan
Linda Rinnan
Lindsey Santamaria
Pat Saxton
Lindy See
Anne Swanson
Marna Tomita
Laurie Washburne

Tenors

Carolyn Bledsoe
Chris Carlson
Neal Cox
David Grand
Glen Hascall
William Holmer
Aaron Lange
Wayne Pederson
Todd Scharff
Troy Schmit
Aaron Waite

Basses

Brad Anderson
Steve Conrad
Chris Cheek
Bruce Fiebach
Eric Hamilton
Judge Hicks
John Howell
Phill Hurley
Pete Johnson
Jeff Kempe
Steve Murray
James Prouty
Jim Regan
Dave Spangler
Don Titterington
Gary Ward
Conley Zomermaand

Wendy Bamonte, Director

Wendy Bamonte enjoys a varied career in music, both as conductor and instrumentalist. She holds a Masters Degree in Music Education (conducting) from Portland State University and a Master of Music Degree (flute performance) from Boston University. As a flutist, Wendy maintains an active schedule, performing with many orchestras in the Northwest and has held positions in the Portland Chamber Orchestra and Eugene Symphony. Before settling in Portland, she spent a year touring the country with the Broadway National Tour of Les Miserables. Wendy also conducts the Lake Grove Presbyterian Church Sanctuary Choir and was co-artistic leader for Portland Symphonic Choir. Presently, Wendy makes her home in Southwest Portland with her husband Dave, a member of the Oregon Symphony, and their 18 year old daughter, Emily.

Connie Titterington, Accompanist

Connie Titterington is a member of the Adjunct Piano Faculty of Portland State University, where she has taught Pedagogy and Applied Piano. Her brain-based teaching strategy is the foundation for an innovative approach to pedagogy, piano study, and performance. Connie is a collaborative pianist in the Portland area and performs with the Marsh-Titterington Piano Duo.

Pamela Baker, Soloist

Pamela Baker, a devoted wife to Michael Baker and proud mother of two, Nehemiah and Hannah, brings a refreshing spirit and heartfelt authenticity to every performance. With a deep reverence for lyrical clarity and a passionate devotion to singing songs that honor her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Pamela's artistry goes beyond melody. She delivers each song with purposeful words that speak directly to the soul. As a seasoned vocalist, worship leader, and speaker, she draws on her rich musical background in both Gospel and Contemporary Christian music to inspire, uplift, and lead others in worship.

Abigail Krawson, Soloist

Abigail Krawson is an authentic performer, an engaging and inclusive educator, and a passionate producer of innovative musical experiences. She sings regularly with Portland Opera, The Portland Symphonic Choir, Renegade Opera, Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, and The Vancouver Symphony. Additionally, Abby serves as the Curator of Community for Renegade Opera and is the Director of Children and Youth Choirs at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church. Hailing from the heart of Ohio, she holds an undergraduate degree from Bowling Green State University and a master's degree from New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. Outside of her musical pursuits, she enjoys exploring Oregon's natural landscapes with her husband Justin, her niece Chloe, and their corgis, Sheldon and Coila. www.abigailkrawson.com

ABOUT OUR MISSION TRIP:

Our choir's 2026 Music Mission Trip to Croatia and Slovenia will take place June 15–25, with 52 singers and family members participating. This is the choir's fifth Music Mission trip all with the same mission: ***"To share the gospel through sacred music, to open hearts to God's word, and to build relationships founded in Christ's love."***

During the journey, the choir will present four free concerts in partnership with local choirs, participate in worship, and offer informal "pop-up" performances in public spaces. Concert offerings will also support local charitable organizations.

This year's program, Let Love Be Heard: A Concert of Unity, Healing, and Hope, features Gospel singer Pam Baker and soprano Abigail Krawson. Choir members have memorized the entire concert program to deepen their connection with the music, message, and audience.

Along with musical preparation, the team is engaging in daily devotions, prayer partnerships, and small Shepherd Groups for spiritual encouragement and support throughout the trip. We are grateful for the prayers and support of our church family as we prepare for this ministry of music, faith, and connection.

You can follow the choir along on their journey by following their blog at:
<https://lgpcmmission2026.wordpress.com>



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ABOUT OUR CAUSE:

A free-will offering from today's concert will help support scholarships, and pay for equipment rentals on the choir's upcoming Mission Trip to Croatia and Slovenia. Donation baskets with balloons will be available after the concert, or you may give online using the QR code below, or by visiting: www.lakegrovepres.org/about/give and selecting "Music Mission Fund" in the drop down menu.



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- Follow our Music Mission Trip Blog
(<https://lgpcmmission2026.wordpress.com>)

- Join the Sanctuary Choir!
(email music@lakegrovepres.org)

If you have any other questions:
Email music@lakegrovepres.org

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