40th-Third Annual

Choir Festival

To the Glory of God

Ocean Grove Auditorium
Sunday, July 13, 1997
7:30 PM

featuring

The Great Festival Chorus
Christopher Collins Lee, Violin
Mario Lombardo, Piano

Monica Ziglar, Soprano
Melora Love, Mezzo-Soprano

Ronald Naldi, Tenor
Kevin Short, Bass-Baritone

Dr. Gordon Turk, Organist
Faith S. Daniels, Pianist
Lewis A. Daniels, Director of Music
Program

Preludes
March No. Four - Edward Elgar
Sonata in D Major - Christopher Collins Lee, Violin & Mario Lombardo, Piano

Call to Worship
Psalm 33:1-8 - Philip C. Herr II, Chairman, Music Committee
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Anthems
And the Glory of the Lord (from Messiah) - George Frederick Handel
Beautiful Savior - arr. F. Melius Christiansen

Fair are the meadows, fairer the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise adoration, Now and forever more be Thine!

The Beatitudes
Blessed art thou, Blessed are the poor in spirit; For theirs is the Kingdom of heav'n. Blessed are they that mourn: For they shall be comforted, Blessed are the meek: For they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: For they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: For they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: For they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: For they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they that are persecuted for righteousness' sake: For theirs is the Kingdom of heav'n. Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, Blessed are ye when men shall persecute you And shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heav'n; rejoice! and glorify the Father in heav'n. Blessed art thou, Rejoice, for great is thy reward in heav'n.

Jesus, Our Lord, We Adore Thee
Jesus our Lord, we adore Thee, Jesus our crucified Savior. From Thy wounded side flowed Thy precious blood. For us the cross with all its shame with grace was borne. With Thy blood Thou washed away the guilt and the shame and the sins of the world. O Lamb of God, O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world! In agony Thy tears were shed, in shame was bowed Thy sacred head. Jesus our Lord, we adore Thee, we adore Thy holy name, we adore Thee, our Lord.

Prayer

Anthem
Ho, Everyone That thirsteth - Will MacFarlane
Conducted by Cindy Bell

Ho, everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money, come ye buy and eat. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. Incline your ear, and come unto me; hear and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. I heard the voice of Jesus say, Behold I freely give the living water thirsty one, stoop down, and drink and live. I came to Jesus and I drank, of that lifegiving stream; My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

Greeting**

Offertory
Serenade for Violin and Piano - Mario Lombardo
Christopher Collins Lee, Violin & Mario Lombardo, Piano

Ocean Grove Auditorium Ushers' March

Doxology* Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.
**Hymn**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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**Anthems:**

*Greater Love Hath No Man*

Conducted by Charles Harris

Greater Love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friend. Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus; Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation. That ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called thee out of darkness into His marvelous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

*My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord*

Conducted by Clayton White

In the Lord, in the Lord, my soul’s been anchored in the Lord. Before I’d stay in hell one day, I’d sing and pray myself away. In the Lord, in the Lord, my soul’s been anchored in the Lord. I’m gwine to pray and never stop until I reach that mountain top, In the Lord, in the Lord, my soul’s been anchored in the Lord, God knows, my soul’s been anchored in the Lord!

*O Vos Omnes*

Conducted by Kenneth C. Clayton, Jr

O ye people, o ye people that are passing. O ye people that are passing, passing by me and see me, behold and see, and consider if there can be any sorrow, any sorrow as mine, any sorrow like unto my sorrow? O ye people, is it nothing, is it nothing to you?

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Conducted by Lewis A. Daniels

arr. Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood. See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e’er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!

**Hymn**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne:

Hark! how the anthem swells! All music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing: Of Him who died for thee,

And hail Him as thy matchless King. Through all eternity.

Ladies Only

Crown Him the King of life, Who triumphed o’er the grave,

And rose victorious in the strife. For those He came to save;

His glories now we sing: Who died, and rose on high,

Who died, eternal life to bring. And lives that death may die.

Men only

Crown Him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways,

From pole to pole that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.

His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet

Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

All

Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side,

Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.

All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me:

Thy praise shall never, never fail. Throughout eternity.

**Anthem**

*Hallelujah! (from Messiah)*

Conducted by Michael Stairs

George Frederick Handel

Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ, and of His Christ; and He shall reign forever and ever, King of kings, and Lord of Lords.

**Benediction**

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DIRECTORS

Ronald Thayer is the Organist and Director of Music at Crescent Ave. Presbyterian Church, Plainfield NJ where he conducts an oratorio choir and orchestra in a series of major concerts. He founded and directed the Seoul Collegium Chorale in South Korea, the Clinton Community Chorus, Utica, NY, and the Colla Voce chamber ensemble in N.J. At Westminster Choir College he studied organ with Eugene Roan, George Markey, Alexander McCurdy and Donald MacDonald; voice with Robert Simpson, Herbert Pate, Danilo Pratt and Julie Gardner; conducting with Robert Rockabrand, Janet Davis and Joseph Flummerfelt, earning his B.M. and M.M. degrees. In 1972 he was appointed Chairman of the Voice Department at the Newark Community School of the Arts. Mr. Thayer, an active recitalist, also teaches voice, piano and organ. He is an organ builder and pipe voulcer.

Danielle Miller began piano studies at the age of seven and became an organist at the Fort Monmouth Post Chapel in Eatontown, NJ at age 14. She studied organ at Trenton State College earning her B.A. and M.A. degrees. Mrs. Miller has been Organist and Director at the Fort Monmouth Post Chapel, Punungton Presbyterian Church in NJ and at the First Congregational U.C.C. in Manhattan, Kansas. She has been a member of the Ocean Grove Auditorium Choir. As a music educator in Kansas, Mrs. Miller developed a choral program which received the highest grades in regional and state competitions. The Kansas Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association named her "Outstanding Young Choral Director."

John L. Wilson is Director of Music and Organist at the 2,000 member Haddonfield United Methodist Church, where he conducts ten choirs, including a 125 voice Oratorio Choir and a professional orchestra. Mr. Wilson graduated from Westminster College, Pa., the School of Sacred Music at Union Theology Seminary in New York City and has completed additional graduate study at Westminster Choir College in Princeton. Mr. Wilson also holds the Chorister and Associate certifications from the American Guild of Organists. He is certified as a "Director of Music" by the United Methodist Church.

Judith Werner is Associate Director of Music at The First Presbyterian Church of Red Bank, NJ where she directs five handbell choirs. She also works with the children's choirs and accompanies the Tower Hill Choir and the Oratorio Choir on the organ. Ms. Werner earned a B.A. degree at Rutgers University and a Masters Degree in Church Music at Westminster Choir College, studying organ with George Markey and Joan Lippincott. Her two senior high handbell choirs, the Calvin and Chapel Ringers, have toured England, Wales, Austria, Switzerland, Canada and the US. They performed at the UN, the White House, for the President of Switzerland, on CNN and attended the International Handbell Symposium in Albuquerque, NM. Ms. Werner taught at festivals of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers and the International Handbell Symposium in Exeter, England.

Cindy Bell, a fifth generation native of Ocean Grove is completing doctoral studies in Music Education at Teachers' College, Columbia University in NY where she is also working with adult singers in community choirs and cruise ships on Long Island. She is a 1997 scholarship recipient from the United Methodist Church Board of Higher Education in Nashville to pursue graduate studies in music. She has directed several church choirs and taught high school choral music and is presently Director of the Mariner's Chorus at the US Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, NY. In June, she was the Guest Conductor for the Youth Choir Festival in Ocean Grove, directing 100 young voices from the tri-state area. Ms. Bell holds the Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY.

Charles Harris is Director of Musical Ministries at the First Presbyterian Church in Red Bank, NJ where he is senior organist and conducts eight singing choirs, eight handbell choirs, a concert series and a music camp for children. Mr. Harris conducts major choral and orchestral works for the Tower Hill Concert Series. He performs organ recitals in the USA and Europe and has served as guest organist with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. Mr. Harris graduated from the School of Music at the U. of North Texas and earned his Masters Degree at Westminster Choir College in Princeton NJ. Before coming to Red Bank, he served the Tyler Street UMC in Dallas, TX.
Clayton White earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in music and music education from Temple University. He completed postgraduate studies in voice and conducting at Westminster Choir College. Currently, Mr. White is Music Department Chair and Director of Performing Arts at the Community College of Philadelphia, Organist-Director of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Philadelphia, and Music Director of the Clayton White Singers. Mr. White was chorus master of Opera Ebony and Opera North for their productions at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia. An accomplished composer, choral arranger, vocal coach and accompanist, his credits include recordings, radio, television and film.

Lewis A. Daniels studied at Drexel University, Philadelphia Musical Academy and Philadelphia College of Bible. He served with distinction as minister of music at Twelfth United Presbyterian Church, Johnson Memorial Methodist Church, Frankford Memorial Methodist Church, Addisville Reformed Church, Community United Methodist Church in Roselle Park, NJ and St. John's United Methodist Church, Hazlet, N. J. spanning a career of 47 years. Lew now serves with distinction, as director of music for the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association. He also conducts workshops and leads music at church celebrations.

Kenneth C. Clayton, Jr. is organist and choir director for the Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury, NJ and organist at Monmouth Reformed Temple, Tinton Falls, NJ. As music teacher at the Manasquan-Englishtown Regional Schools he instructs choral and instrumental ensembles. Mr. Clayton previously served at First UMC in Belmar and Bay Head Chapel. He studied at Westminster Choir College receiving a B.M. Ed. degree and at Trenton State College earning an M.A. in performance. Organ studies were with Eugene Roza, Robert Cavanagh, William Whitehead and Joan Lipiscott. His professional memberships include New Jersey Education Association, National Music Education Association, National Education Association, Central Jersey Bar Association, and the Monmouth Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, which he served as Dean.

Michael Stairs began studying piano at age ten. He received performance degrees from Westminster Choir College and the Curtis Institute of Music. He is Director of Choral Activities at the Haverford School, PA., whose Glee Club and Chamber Orchestra recently toured southern England and Wales. He is organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr. Riccardo Muti appointed Michael Stairs to be organist for the Philadelphia Orchestra, and he has been featured soloist on national television. Recently he was organist for the National Convention of the Episcopal Church. Notable are his recorded performances on the famous organ at Longwood Gardens. On August 30 he will be in duo concert with Gordon Turk in Ocean Grove.

Participating Instrumentalists

Mario Lombardo, composer and pianist was an honors graduate from Seton Hall University, earning a Masters Degree in English. He continued at Seton Hall as an assistant professor of English while also studying music. Further graduate musical education was obtained at Columbia University. Mr. Lombardo has composed more than 200 songs, four musicals, and many works for piano, chorus, concert band and orchestra. His music has been performed by the symphony orchestras of Atlanta, Chicago, Boston, Detroit, Cincinnati, New Jersey and in Europe. Recent works include his Rhapsody for Oboe and Orchestra. He is a member of ASCAP, A. P. of M., the American Symphony League, the Composers Guild of New Jersey and the American Composers Forum. In 1994 Mr. Lombardo was named "Musician of the Year" by the NJ State Conference of Musicians.

Christopher Collins Lee is the Festival's violin soloist. He studied with Dorothy DeLay, Isadore Cohen, Zino Francescatti and as a Fulbright Scholar in Europe with Nathan Milstein. Following graduation from Juilliard, he was contracted by Columbia Artists Management and Yves Dogelot in Paris. He served as teaching assistant to Hentky Szeryng at the Conservatoire de Genève. Upon returning to the US, he began a busy career as recitalist, chamber musician and teacher. An official Department of State "Musical Ambassador", Mr. Lee toured Asia more than 25 times. He earned many awards and five honorary doctorates. Mr. Lee is currently Concertmaster of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra performing on a 1680 Ruggeri violin once owned by Leopold Mozart.
Participating Choirs

First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Caldwell, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Daytona, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Dunellen, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Poughquag, NY
First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, PA
First Presbyterian Church, Mamaroneck, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Metuchen, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Mount Holly, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Northport, NY
First Presbyterian Church, Orange, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Penn Yan, NY
First Presbyterian Church, Perth Amboy, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Verona, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Washington, NJ
First Presbyterian Church, Woodbridge, NJ
First Reformed Church, Little Falls, NJ
First United Church of Christ, Millford, NJ
First UMC, Beach Haven Twp., NJ
First UMC, Binghamton, NY
First UMC, Chatham, NJ
First UMC, Eleven Mile Bend, PA
First UMC, North Bend, PA
First UMC, South Bend, PA
First UMC, Toms River, NJ
First UMC, Union, NJ
First UMC, Vineland, NJ
First UMC, West Bend, PA
First UMC, White Plains, NY
First UMC, Wilkes Barre, PA
First Welsh Baptist Church, Plymouth, PA
Front Street Baptist Church, Statesville, NC
Georges Road Baptist Church, North Brunswick, NJ
Grace Community Church, Franklin Lakes, NJ
Great Valley Presbyterian Church, Malvern, PA
Grove UMC, West Chester, PA
Haddonfield (NJ) UMC
Hamilton UMC, Neptune, NJ
High Bridge Reformed Church, High Bridge, NJ
Holy Chalice Christ Catholic Church, Easton, NJ
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Toms River, NJ
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Somerset, NJ
Hope Lutheran Church, Freehold, NJ
Hope Presbyterian Church, Tinton Falls, NJ
Immaculate Conception Choir, Spotswood, NJ
Immanuel UMC, Glen Rock, PA
Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Schuylkill Haven, PA
Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Schwenksville, PA
Joy Lutheran Church, Wanton, NJ
Junata Park UMC, Philadelphia, PA
Lakehurst (NJ) UMC
Langhorne UMC, Langhorne, PA
Lancaster UMC, Lancaster, PA
Laurelton Park Baptist Church, Brick, NJ
Liberty Corner (NJ) Presbyterian Church
Little Falls (NJ) UMC, Livingston, NJ
Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, Cadiz, NY
Maysger Reformed Church, New Brunswick, NJ
Mandarin UMC, Jacksonville, FL
Mayflower United Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, PA
Memorial UMC, Quarryville, PA
Middletown (NJ) Reformed Church
Middletown (NJ) UMC
Millington Baptist Church
Mount Joy UMC
Milton UMC, Oak Ridge, NJ
Montgomery Evangelical Free Church, Belle Mead, NJ
Morgantown (NJ) UMC
Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Philadelphia, PA
Mt. Tabor (NJ) UMC
Mt. Zion AME Church, New Brunswick, NJ
Neshanic UMC, Neshanic Station, NJ
Newtown UMC, Sandy Hook, CT
North Branch Reformed Church
Bridgewater, NJ
Northern Cluster Choir, Oceanport, NJ
Norwalk (CT) UMC
Ocean Grove (NJ) Auditorium Choir
Oceanport (NJ) UMC
Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, Roseland, NJ
Our Lady of Fatima, Picatinny, NJ
Our Lady of Good Counsel, Washington, NJ
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Highlands, NJ
Oxford UMC, Medford, NJ
Packanack Community Church, Wayne, NJ
Park UMC, Bloomfield, NJ
Parsippany (NJ) Presbyterian Church
Patchogue (NY) UMC
Pearson Memorial UMC, Hamilton, NJ
Pinelands Reformed Church
Toms River, NJ
Pleasantville United Church of Christ, Chalfont, PA
Precious Blood Parish, Monmouth Beach, NJ
Organist for the Choir Festival

Gordon Turk has been the Ocean Grove Auditorium Organist-in-residence for 23 years. He is a graduate of the famed Curtis Institute of Music and the Manhattan School of Music where he earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree. He studied composition with McNeil Robinson in New York. Dr. Turk has won critical acclaim as a concert performer throughout the country. His proficiency in improvisation has been recognized with awards and honors. Dr. Turk was Dean of the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and is organist and choirmaster at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in Wayne, PA. He is on the music faculty at West Chester University, West Chester, PA.
Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

1. Rejoice, ye pure in heart; rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your glorious banner as ye go; from youth to age, by ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their we adore, the Father, Son, and wave on high, the cross of Christ your King; up ward float, like wreaths of incense cloud.

2. Your clear hosannas raise, and alleluias loud; whilst unceasing echoes of men shall rest; the pilgrims find their we adore, the Father, Son, and wave on high, the cross of Christ your King;

3. Yes, on through life’s long path, still chanting hymns loud, whilst unceasing echoes of men shall rest; the pilgrims find their we adore, the Father, Son, and wave on high, the cross of Christ your King;

4. At last the march shall end; the weary pilgrims find their we adore, the Father, Son, and wave on high, the cross of Christ your King;

5. Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; troubled breast! Let us all in thee inherit;

2. Breathe, O breathe the living Spirit into every life received; and doubly return and never, let us be. Let us see thy great salvation;

3. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy almighty power to deliver, let us be. Let us see thy great salvation;

4. Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless

5. Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom