

North Valley Chorale

Eleanor Johnson, Director



Lux Aeterna!

**Church of the Beatitudes
555 W. Glendale Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85021**

February 25, 2018 at 3:00PM

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North Valley Chorale

Eleanor Johnson, Director*

Soprano

**Elizabeth Aldridge
Mary Ellen Brooks
Patricia Dumovic
Pam Fischer *
Paula Ginkel
Barbara Hoehne
Mary Ann Iagulli *
Kelly Johnson
Catherine Le
Jane Ludlow
Aimee Maddeford
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Michelle Rorvig
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Julie Rose
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Sarah Smith
Valarie Vousden
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Jeanette Winzeler
Bev Zduniak**

Tenor

**Grant Deger
Philip Digati
Robert Heyde
Joe Johnson
Peter Lafford
Vince Lane
Peter Lourie
Eric Thomson**

Alto

**Shannon Barrett *
Joyce Brossart
Christine Dermanelian
Katherine Gleason
Kate Krietor
Barbara Lafford
Isabelle Lopez
Claudia Navarrete
Margaret Neno *
Mary Neuman
Terry Palmer
Claire Penneau
Della Riedel
Michelle Serries
Mara Sevig
Amberly Smith
Janus Torres
Randy Weiss
Linda Williamson**

Bass

**Brad Doebbeling
Ralph Dumovic
Gary Ciba
Charles Hudson *
Graham Johnson *
Craig Metzger
Jim Nicol
Jim Pourchot
John Prosek *
Stephen Schermitzler
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Eleanor Johnson is the founding **Director** of the North Valley Chorale (NVC). For over 25 years, Mrs. Johnson has played an important role in Arizona's music community. A testimony to her leadership, NVC has grown since 2008 from 12 singers of sacred music to over 60 singers with a repertoire including Broadway, pop, classical and patriotic music. This season, Mrs. Johnson prepared the NVC for Handel's *Messiah* at Carnegie Hall in New York City and led the group for its "ten minutes of fame" on the Radio City Music Hall stage prior to the Rockette's Christmas Spectacular. When not teaching or directing, Eleanor enjoys hiking, gardening, crossword puzzles and traveling with Graham, her love of over 40 years.

John Rutter

Requiem

Sarah Smith, soprano

(Please hold applause until the conclusion)

Requiem aeternam

*Requiem aeternam
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine:
et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

*Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion:
et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.*

*Exaudi orationem meam,
ad te omnis caro veniet.*

*Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.*

*Grant them rest eternal, Lord our
God, we pray to thee: and light
perpetual shine on them for ever.*

*Thou, Lord, art worshipped in Sion;
thy praises shall ever be sung in all
Jerusalem.*

*O hear us; O Lord, hear thy faithful
servants' prayer; to thee shall all
mortal flesh return.*

*Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.*

Out of the deep

*Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord:
Lord, hear my voice.*

*O let thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint.
If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss:
O Lord, who may abide it?*

*For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared.
I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust.*

*My soul fleeth unto the Lord;
before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:
and with him is plenteous redemption.*

And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins

Pie Jesu

*Pie Jesu Domine,
dona eis requiem.*

*Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis
sempiternam requiem.*

*Blessed Jesu, Lord I pray in thy
mercy grant them rest.*

*Lord our God, we pray thee, grant
them everlasting rest*

Sanctus

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.*

*Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine
Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.*

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and majesty.
Heaven and earth are full of thy
glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord our God:
Hosanna in the highest.*

Agnus Dei

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem.*

*Man that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery.
He cometh up, and is cut down like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem*

*Lamb of God, that takest away the
sins of the world:
in thy mercy, grant them rest.*

*Lamb of God, that takest away the
sins of the world:
in thy mercy, grant them rest.*

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour?

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem.*

*Lamb of God, that takest away the
sins of the world:
in thy mercy, grant them rest.*

*I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord:
he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*

The Lord is my shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture:

and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul:

and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

***Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.***

***Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:
thou has anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.***

***But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever***

Lux aeterna

I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me,

***Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they rest from their labours:
even so saith the Spirit.***

***Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine:
cum sanctis tuis in aeternum,
quia pius es.***

***Requiem aeternam
dona eis Domine:
et lux perpetua luceat eis.***

***Light eternal shine upon them, Lord,
we pray: with saints and angels ever
dwelling, for thy mercy's sake,
may they rest in peace.
Grant them rest eternal,
Lord our God, we pray to thee:
and light perpetual shine on them
for ever.***



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Lux Aeterna! Part 2

How Can I Keep From Singing?

Words and Music: Robert Lowry

Arr: Bradley Ellingboe

Lee Chivers, flute

Claire Penneau, alto **Stephen Schermitzler, bass**

If With All Your Hearts

Words and Music: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

Vince Lane, tenor

Pilgrims' Hymn

Words: Michael Dennis Browne

Music: Stephen Paulus

Sarah Smith, soprano
Robert Heyde, tenor

Claire Penneau, alto
Stephen Schermitzler, bass

LUX

Ola Gjeilo

North American Premiere

*O lux beata Trinitas
et principalis Unitas,
iam sol recedit igneus,
infunde lumen cordibus.*

*O Trinity of blessed Light,
O Unity of sovereign might,
as now the fiery sun departs,
shed Thou Thy beams within our hearts.*

*Te mane laudum carmine,
te deprececur vesperi:
te nostra supplex gloria
per cuncta laudet saecula.*

*To Thee our morning song of praise,
to Thee our evening prayer we raise;
Thee may our glory evermore
in lowly reverence adore.*

*Deo Patri sit gloria
eiusque soli Filio,
cum Spiritu Paraclito,
et nunc et in perpetuum.*

*All laud to God the Father be;
all praise, Eternal Son, to Thee;
all glory, as is ever meet,
to God the Holy Paraclete.*

Gabriel's Oboe

Ennio Morricone

Melanie Garcia, oboe

Dr. Marion Hostetler, organ

Clair de Lune, Op. 46, #2

Gabriel Fauré

Sarah Smith, soprano

Paula Provo, harp

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo

***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.***

***Ubi caritas et amor,
Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos
in unum Christi amor.***

***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.***

***Where charity and love are,
God is there.
The love of Christ
has gathered us together.***

Amen

Danny Boy

Traditional Irish Folk Melody

Arr: Brad Printz

Melanie Garcia, oboe

Eric Thomson, tenor

Irish Blessing

Traditional Irish Blessing

Arr: John Horman

Orchestra

Organ / Keyboard

Dr. Marion Hostetler

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Paula Provo

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Cello

Li Ma

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Oboe

Melanie Garcia

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Percussion

**Mary Anne Kremer-Ames
Betsy Donovan**

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Kathleen A Glenn*



Ola Gjeilo was born in Norway in 1978 and moved to the United States in 2001 to begin his composition studies at the Juilliard School in New York City, where he currently resides and works as a full-time composer.

Ola's recordings include the Decca Classics albums *Ola Gjeilo* and *Winter Songs*, featuring Tenebrae, Voces8 and the Choir of Royal Holloway. Ola was also composer-in-residence for the Phoenix Chorale in 2009-2010.

Today's concert features two pieces by Ola, *Ubi Caritas* and *Lux*. This will be the North American premiere of *Lux*, first performed last November by the Fairhaven Singers in Cambridge, England.

The piece is especially poignant for our Director, Eleanor Johnson, and her husband, Graham. The work was commissioned by their son, Matthew, and his wife, Libbi, and dedicated in loving memory of their stillborn son, Benedict. Benedict is survived by his twin sister, Imogen (only 13 ounces at birth) who is now 8 months old and doing amazingly well.



Members of NVC supported Matt and Libbi Johnson by contributing to the commission for *Lux*.

In Appreciation

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Message from the Director

2017 was a very difficult year for me as I experienced the death of so many dear friends, as well as that of my first grandson, Benedict-who was named in memory of my Dad. The things that sustained me were my faith in God, my family & friends and music. This concert is filled with beautiful music that I hope will touch your hearts and if, like me, you've had a challenging year-I hope it will in some small measure help to heal your spirits. All I can say is that there hasn't been a week since we began rehearsals for this concert, when a choir member hasn't come up after rehearsal to say that they *almost* made it through rehearsal without crying because the music is so beautiful...therein lies the power of music to speak to our hearts when words cannot be found.

Eleanor Johnson

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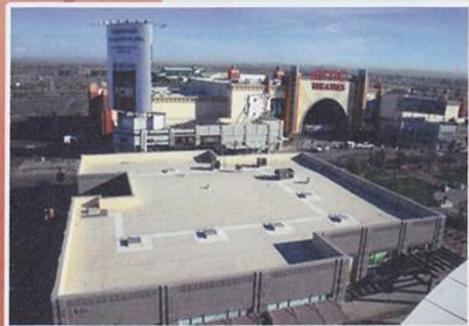
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Grandpas Bob**

Husbands, Fathers: 1923-2007 1925-2016



**May God hold you in the palm of His hand
We love you,**

Grandma Red Head and Gramma Rose

Wives, Mothers: 1924-2017 1929-2014



In loving memory of our sisters

Eternal Vita, Mary Rita

Rest in Peace, Aunt Denise



*Life's so unpredictable, but Jesus makes it right,
Hope you had the time of your life!*



In Memory of Gervais Samuel Neno III March 29, 1977 – November 15, 2017

A life cut short, a life lived on your own terms.

A life that touched so many other lives,
more than you knew.

You will be missed by all who knew and loved you.

“Nature’s first green is gold, her hardest hue to hold

Her early leaf’s a flower; but only so an hour.

Then leaf subsides to leaf. So Eden sank to grief.

So dawn goes down to day.

Nothing gold can stay.”

Author: Robert Frost



In loving memory of Kay Budzowski - dear friend, great woman of God, Bible study buddy, generous supporter of the NVC, wonderful pianist, awesome crafter, with a heart full of love for her husband of 59 years - Ben, for their children, grandchildren, her country, the poor and needy, and all animals - especially her pets who adored her. She might have been tiny in stature but was she mighty!

She was an altogether amazing woman and I miss her and our lively conversations. Eleanor.



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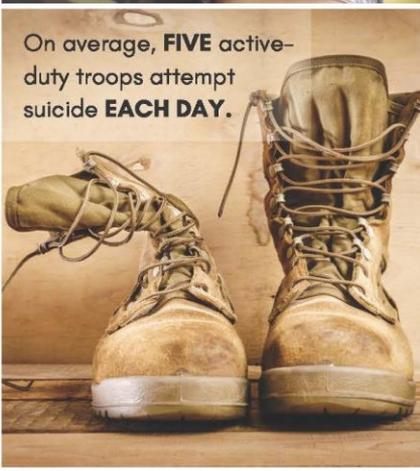
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