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UNIVERSITY CHORALE

Andrew Huish, director Stephanie Huish, piano

ALL NATURE SINGS

War Memorial Chapel Friday, October 31, 2025 7:00 P.M. When despair for the world grows in me And I wake in the night at the least sound In fear of what my life And my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake Rests in his beauty on the water, And the great heron feeds. I come into the peace of wild things Who do not tax their lives with

Forethought of grief.
I come into the presence of still water.
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
Waiting with their light.
For a time I rest in the grace
Of the world, and am free.

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Pine Psalm.....text, Emma Galloway Stephens music, Jonathan Reid (b. 1991)

> I look to the hills for peace I crave the climb if not the peak Rocks and roots don't trouble me Nor the nameless rustle Under fallen leaves

I've come to worship with the pine trees Mud on my ankles bruises on my knees God was in the garden all along Older than the hills Eternal Strong

> In the beginning was the Word, And the Word was with God, And the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God. By Him all things were made, That have been made; Nothing was made, He has not made. John 1:1-3

Dawn Birds Sunset

(i) Dawn

Silence greets the glowing orb at dawn,
Lighting bush with misty innocence
Dry Harsh Hard Dark Sparse
This land that is lit by whisp'ring rays
Fire and Gold,
They dissolve the morning dew
Waking the birds,

Shaking the shadows from their wings
The day comes alive
With calls and cries from bleary throats
Bringing life and harmony unto this land
This Dry Harsh Hard Dark land
This land that is lit
By whisp'ring rays of dawn.

(ii) Birds

Cah-oo-wah S s ci-ca-da

Through the day they sing away, A-cooing, wooing under rays of sun.

Caressing, feeding, resting

Morning chorus,

In the shade of trees they hide from

Birds sing for us.

Heat of day they sing away,

Welcome us in their own way to this day.

A-cooing, wooing under rays of sun.

Morning chorus, Birds sing for us.

Caressing, feeding, resting All these cries are part of our big

Welcome us to this new day.

Birdsong chorus, They sing for us

Currawongs all sing their song With kookaburras and cicadas

Welcome us in their own way to this day.

Morning chorus, Birds sing for us.

Birdsong chorus, They sing for us

Welcome us to this new day.

Welcome us to this new day.

S s cicada

Currawongs all sing their song With kookaburras and cicadas

Cah-oo-wah

Birdsong chorus,

Kah kook ah koo kah koo koo

They sing for us Welcome us to this new day.

[Bird noises]

(iii) Sunset

Ssss-sunset Summer beckons.

Ssss-sunset here Ssss-sunset here, the image is furnace Molten metal the sky The heat it threatens to harm. But the warmth of the day Now sinks away to sleepy stars

And glow that sinks in the pool Of the purple night.

Sunset here, the image is furnace Molten metal the sky And glow that sinks in the pool Of the purple night.

ÕhtulPärt Uusberg (b. 1986)

> The little bird grows silent As the wind blows. The small flower falls asleep

The forest trees sleep In memory and silence. They are wistful

Caressed by the dew. Twilight blushes

For my song, *Now a silent memory,*

As she kisses the night.

As it paddles far away.

O schöne Nacht from Vier Quartette, Op. 92 Johannes Brahms (1883-1893) Oh lovely night!
In the sky, magically,
The moon shines in all its splendor;
Around it is the pleasant
Company of little stars.

Dew glistens brightly on green stems; In the lilac bush, The nightingale sings lustily. The youth steals away quietly to his love. Oh lovely night!

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Sure On This Shining Night......text, James Agee
music, Morten Lauridsen
(b.1943)

Michael McMillin, conductor

Sure on this shining night Of starmade shadows round, Kindness must watch for me This side the ground.

The late year lies down the north.

All is healed, all is health.

High summer holds the earth. Hearts all whole

Sure on this shining night I weep for wonder Wandering far alone Of shadows on the stars.

Ensemble:

Michael Adams, Michael McMillin, Rebecca Ong, Sara Perreault Julia Probus, Kara Seymour, Sophia Tzitzikas Noah Orr, recorder

Here comes the spring, The beautiful season of love. Here comes the spring, The beautiful season of love.

The flowing streams become clear and Seek out their summer courses:
And the waters of the sea calm And soothe their gloomy ragings:
The duck happily dives,
And washes himself in the water;
And the crane, veering off in flight,
Crosses the sky and is gone.

The sun shines clearly
With cloudless brightness unsurpassed;
Away run the cloud-shadows,
Which play and rush and darken
The forests and fields and ridges.
The farmers work
To turn their fields green again,
And the meadow reveals its flowers.

Here comes the spring, Here comes the spring, The beautiful season of love. The beautiful season of love.

Cupid, son of Venus, Let us laugh too, and seek
Scattering his arrows everywhere, The gambols and games of spring:
Re-ignites the flames of passion in Everything laughs with pleasure:
Animals, who fly in the air, Let us celebrate the happy season.
Animals, who crawl in the fields,
Animals, who swim in the waters. Here comes the spring,
Similarly, things that feel nothing The beautiful season of love.
Melt in the pleasure in love.

-Greg Brown

This Is My Father's World....... arr. Ēriks Ešenvalds (b. 1977)

Michael Adams, soloist

This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seasHis hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world: The birds their carols raise, The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world:
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world:
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let earth be glad!

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