

# BIRMINGHAM CONCERT CHORALE

Mark Ridings, Director · Dale Reynolds Accompanist

Sylvia Baggett	Marilyn	*Dan Medders
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Bruce Burson	*Walter Jones	*Arden Richards
*Vicky Carstens	Willie Jones	Claire Roane
*June Clark	Jan Kimble	Holly Roe
*Mark Cobb	*Joanne Kopplin	Francesca Rosko
Beverly Cogen	Louis Kulovitz	*Kathy Shuler
Tammy Denson	Pat Kulovitz	*Lane Snider
Jim Emison	Donna Land	*Lee South
Penny Ford	*Nancy Lewis	Carrie Thompson
Debbie Green	*Tim Liptak	Linda Trusty
*Sara Hagood	*Monica Loggins	*Dick Voran
Ella Mae Hale	*Don Lovell	*Lindsay Walker
Mae Lynn Hardy	Melissa Lutenbacher	*Joan Williams
*Tom Hart	LuAnn Mansfield	*Mary Woolard
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ALL RAISE to MUSIC!

*a concert celebrating the beauty of music*

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2006 · 5:00 P.M.

BLUFF PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# ALL PRAISE to MUSIC

*a concert celebrating the beauty of music*

*This concert is dedicated to the memory of Jim Baker,  
long-time chorale member.*

Fanfare for a Festival ..... Ron Nelson

O Music ..... David L. Brunner  
*Jo Ann Strickland, Cello*

Serenade to Music ..... Ralph Vaughan Williams  
*words by William Shakespeare*

**Ensemble Soloists:**

Sara Hagood, Walter Jones, Mark Ridings,  
Arden Richards, Lane Snider, Tim Liptak, Nancy Lewis,  
Joan Williamson

*How sweet the moonlight sleeps upon this bank!  
Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music  
Creep in our ears; soft stillness, and the night  
Become the touches of sweet harmony.*

*...Look how the floor of heaven  
Is thick inlaid with patines of bright gold:  
There's not the smallest orb that thou behold'st,  
But in his motion like an angel sings,  
Still quiring to the young-ey'd cherubins;  
Such harmony is in immortal souls;  
But, whilst this muddy vesture of decay  
Doth grossly close it in, we cannot hear it.*

*Come, ho! and wake Diana with a hymn;  
With sweetest touches pierce your mistress' ear,  
And draw her home with music.*

*I am never merry when I hear sweet music,  
The reason is, your spirits are attentive:  
...The man that hath no music in himself,  
Nor is not moved with concord of sweet sounds,  
Is fit for treasons, stratagems and spoils;  
The motions of his spirit are dull as night,  
And his affections dark as Erebus;  
Let no such man be trusted.*

*Music! hark! ... It is your music of the house.  
Methinks it sounds much sweeter than by day.  
Silence bestows that virtue on it...*

*How many things by season season'd are  
To their right praise and true perfection!  
Peace, ho! The moon sleeps with Endymion,  
And would not be awak'd!*

*...Soft stillness and the night  
Become the touches of sweet harmony.*

Create in Me ..... Johannes Brahms

Cantique de Jean Racine ..... Gabriel Fauré

Set Me As a Seal ..... René Clausen

My God Is A Rock ..... arr. Alice Parker & Robert Shaw  
*Mark Lawrence, Guest Soloist*

Deep River ..... arr. Roy Ringwald

Witness ..... arr. Jack Halloran

For Spacious Skies ..... arr. David L. Brunner

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