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JAZZ WORSHIP SERVICE

VICAR DAVID DRECHSLER

and the

STATESMEN

Directed by Kenneth Kistner

UNIVERSITY CHOIR

Directed by Mary Esther Evans

Sunday, April 28, 1968

4:00 p.m.

Illinois State University

Union Ballroom

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PROLOGUE Randy Deckwerth
Band and Choir

HYMN Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Congregation

- Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of Love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.
- All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect
Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow,
flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee.
- Mortals, join the happy chorus Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward, In the triumph song of life.

Don't Get Around Much Any More Band

What Is It All About arr. Randy Deckwerth
Band and Choir

DIALOGUE Vicar Drechsler

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Band

RESPONSIVE READING Congregation

V: O Lord,
P: Have mercy on us
V: O Christ,
P: Have mercy on us
V: O Lord,
P: Have mercy on us
V: From attempting to act as though we have God in a box
P: Deliver us, O Lord
V: For calling you Lord and Creator - yet forgetting that this is
Your world.

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing;
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choosing,
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His name,
From age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

3. And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us;
The Prince of Darkness grim we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo, his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.

1. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also;
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.

P: Forgive us, O Lord
V: For having celebrated Easter, and yet not acting as though we have been redeemed.
P: Change us, O Christ
V: That we may praise you with the sound of trumpets and saxophone, as well as with the harp and the organ. We say:
P: Thank you Good Lord
V: That we may affirm to our generation Your Lordship and Your Love
P: Accept our worship this day
V: All this we ask in the name of Christ our Triumphant King
P: Amen.

HYMN A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Congregation

1. A mighty Fortress is our God, A trusty Shield and Weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'er-taken.
The old evil Foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of our can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, of Sabaoth Lord,
And There's none other God; He holds the field forever.
3. Tho' devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill, They shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Let these all be gone, They yet have nothing won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

BENEDICTION

The music composed and arranged by Randy Deckwerth for this jazz worship service represents only one facet of this young composer's many contributions to his art.

Mr. Deckwerth, a senior in music, has written compositions for concert band, orchestra, voice and piano; all of which have been performed on campus.

The jazz worship service itself is the result of a desire on the part of the Religious Life Board to develop an original and contemporary approach to worshipping God that would not be bound by the tradition of any particular church.

Kenneth Kistner has received both his bachelors and masters degrees from Illinois State University and is presently teaching in the Music Department of I. S. U.

Vicar David Drechsler is the Pastoral Associate at Christ Lutheran Church in Normal and serves the Missouri Synod Lutheran students of Illinois State University and Illinois Wesleyan University.