

# KH9RIK9S

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### Lesson One

November 11, 2023 | 7:30PM

The Vowels of Sorrow\* with Charlotte Greve, alto saxophone Andrew Smith (b. 1970)

ALEPH

Quomodo sedet

GHIMEL

O Adonai

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Orlando di Lasso (c. 1532-1594)

Roderick Williams (b. 1965)

**VAU** 

All the Flowers of the Spring

Thomas Crecquillon (c. 1505–1557)

Peter Warlock (1894–1930)

TETH

Requiem Aeternam (I)

Robert White (c. 1538–1574)

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

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**DALETH** 

Transition

with Charlotte Greve, alto saxophone

Kui suur on meie vaesus

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Cyrillus Kreek (1889–1962)

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Misericordiae Domini

Novi diluculo

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Song for Athene

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Tebe Pojem

Orlando di Lasso Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873–1943)

Please hold your applause between groups of pieces.

#### The Vowels of Sorrow

with Charlotte Greve, saxophone

Incipit Lamentatione Jeremiae prophetae

Lap up the vowels of sorrow transparer

transparent, cold
water-darkness welling
up from the white sand.
Hone the blade
of a scythe to cut swathes
of light sound in the mind.
Through the hollow globe, a ring
of frayed rusty scrapiron,
is it the sea that shines?
Is it a road at the world's edge?

from Six Variations
Denise Levertov (1923–1997)

#### Aleph. Quomodo sedet

Quomodo sedet sola civitas plena populo! Facta est quasi vidua domina gentium; princeps provinciarum facta est sub tributo.

#### Ghimel

with Hannah Pho, Carah Naseem, Richard Whitney, Justin Ballard, and Kai Okada

#### O Adonai, et Dux domus Israel

with Meghan Marks, soprano solo; Manon Blackman, Courtney Greifenberger, Hannah Pho, soprano trio; Benny Weisman, baritone solo

O Adonai, et Dux domus Israel, qui Moysi in igne flammae rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio extento.

#### Andrew Smith (b. 1970)

Lamentations of Jeremiah.

Here begins the

#### Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

How lonely sits the city that was full of people!
How like a widow has she become, she that was great among the nations!
She that was a princess among the cities has become a vassal.\*

Orlando di Lasso (c. 1532-1594)

Roderick Williams (b. 1965)

O Lord and Ruler of the house of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the flame of the burning bush and gave him the law on Sinai: come, and redeem us with outstretched arm.





Though I cry out and plead, He shuts out my prayer.^

<sup>\*</sup> Lamentations 1:1. Translated from the Latin of the Liber Usualis, derived from The Clementine Vulgate and the Revised Standard Version. Source: Choral Public Domain Library https://www.cpdl.org/wiki/index.php/Lamentations\_of\_Jeremiah

<sup>^</sup> Lamentations 3:8. Translated from the Hebrew. Source: https://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/16459/jewish/Chapter-3.htm

#### Vau

with Carah Naseem, Richard Whitney, Alec Galambos, and Kai Okada

All the Flowers of the Spring

from 3 *Dirges of Webster* (1924-26) Conducted by Justin Ballard

All the Flowers of the Spring Meet to perfume our burying: These have but their growing prime, And man does flourish but his time. Survey our progress from our birth, We are set, we grow, we turn to earth. Courts adieu, and all delights, All bewitching appetites: Sweetest Breath, and clearest eye, Like perfumes go out and die; And consequently this is done, As shadows wait upon the Sun. Vain the ambition of Kings, Who seek with trophies and dead things, To leave a living name behind, And weave but nets to catch the wind.

from **The Devil's Law Case** John Webster (c. 1578 –1632)

Teth

with Manon Blackman, Hannah Sheldon-Dean, Richard Whitney, Arielle Datz, Alec Galambos, and Kai Okada

Requiem Aeternam (I)

from Requiem (1932/1981) Conducted by Erika Ji

requiem aeternam dona eis et lux perpetua luceat eis domine Thomas Crecquillon (c. 1505–1557), Ed. Ralph W. Buxton

Peter Warlock (1894–1930)

Robert White (c. 1538–1574)

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

grant them eternal rest and let perpetual light shine on them lord

And gone is from the daughter of Zion all her splendor; her princes were like harts who did not find pasture and they departed without strength before their pursuer.\*



Her gates are sunk into the ground; He has ruined and broken her bars; her king and princes are exiled among the heathens, and there is no more teaching; moreover, her prophets obtain no vision from the Lord.^

<sup>\*</sup> Lamentations 1:6. Translated from the Hebrew. Source: https://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/16457/jewish/Chapter-1.htm

<sup>^</sup> Lamentations 2:9. Translated from the Hebrew. Source: https://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/16458/jewish/Chapter-2.htm

# CIVITAS

**INTERMISSION** 

#### Lamed

#### John Mundy (c. 1529–1591)

#### Ye that pasen by

from Sacred & Profane: Eight Medieval Lyrics (1975)

Ye that pasen by the weive, Abidet a little stounde. Beholdet, all my felawes, Yef any me lik is founde. To the Tre with nailes thre Wol fast I hange bounde; With a spere all thoru my side To mine herte is mad a wounde.

Anonymous Middle English lyric John of Grimestone's preaching book, c. 1372

Benjamin Britten (1913–1976)

You who pass by the way, linger a little while. Behold, all my fellows, if there be anyone like me. I will hang, firmly bound to the Cross by three nails; with a spear through my side, a wound is made upon my heart.

All of you who pass along the road, let it not happen to you. Behold and see, if there is any pain like my pain, which has been dealt to me, with which the Lord saddened me on the day of His fierce anger.\*

Daleth

#### **Transition**

with Charlotte Greve, saxophone

John Mundy

Alec Galambos (b. 1987)

#### Kui suur on meie vaesus

with Charlotte Greve, saxophone

Kui suur on meie vaesus, veel suurem õnnistus.

Patustepõlve seisus ei tee meid kartlikuks. See püha Jeesu veri, see katab meid kui meri.

ta külje haavusse.

Meid hinge surmast Issand nüüd armust ärata.

Ja meie kurja südant Sa ise sureta. Uut elu anna jälle, et südame ja meele Su poole tõstame.

**Cyrillus Kreek (1889–1962)** 

While great is our poverty, still greater is our blessing. Sinful life will not lead to piety. But Jesus' holy blood shall cover us like a sea, flooding from his wounds. Let Your grace awake our souls; Lord be merciful

And redeem our evil hearts. Give us new life that our hearts and minds may ascend towards You.

The tongue of the suckling child cleaves to his palate through thirst: the young children beg for bread, but no one breaks it for them.^

Estonian sacred folk song

<sup>\*</sup> Lamentations 1:12. Translated from the Hebrew. Source: https://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/16457/jewish/Chapter-1.htm

<sup>^</sup> Lamentations 4:4. Translated from the Hebrew. Source: https://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/16460/jewish/Chapter-4.htm

#### Heth. Misericordiae

Heth.

Misericordie Domini quia non sumus consumpti quia non defecerunt miserationes eius.

Heth.

Novi diluculo, multa est fides tua.

Heth.

O Albion

from Arcadiana

The Daughters of Albion hear her woes, and echo back her sighs.

from Visions of the Daughters of Albion William Blake (1757–1827)

#### Song for Athene

Alleluia.

May flights of angels sing thee to thy rest.

Alleluia.

Remember me, O Lord, when you come into your kingdom.

Alleluia.

Give rest, O Lord, to your handmaid who has fallen asleep.

Alleluia.

The Choir of Saints have found the well-spring of life and door of Paradise.

Alleluia.

Life: a shadow and a dream.

Alleluia.

Weeping at the grave creates the song:

Alleluia.

Come, enjoy rewards and crowns I have prepared for you.

Alleluia.

from the Orthodox Order for the Burial of the Dead and William Shakespeare's Hamlet V.ii and II.ii

## Manuel de Zumaya (c. 1678–1755)

Heth.
The steadfast love of the Lord
never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end
Heth.

They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.Heth.\*

Thomas Adès (b. 1971)

John Tavener (1944–2013)



The Lord determined to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion; He stretched out a line; He did not restrain His hand from destroying; indeed, He caused rampart and wall to mourn, and they languish together.^



"The Lord is my portion," says my soul; "therefore I will hope in Him."+

#### Mem

#### Orlando di Lasso

#### **Tebe Pojem**

with Meghan Marks, soprano

Tebé poem, Tebé blagoslovím, Tebé blagodarím, Góspodi, i mólim Ti sya, Bózhe nash.

from Anaphora of the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

## Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873–1943)

We sing to you, We praise you, We thank you, O Lord; We pray to you, our God. What shall I testify
for you? What
shall I compare to
you, O daughter of
Jerusalem? What can I
liken to you, that I may
comfort you, O virgin
daughter of Zion? For
your ruin is as vast as
the sea-who can heal
you?\*

<sup>\*</sup> Lamentations 2:13. Translated from the Hebrew. Source: https://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/16457/jewish/Chapter-2.htm

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