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Truer Words

Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Kansas City's Te Deum chamber choir brings words of comfort, grace, understanding and joy from inspired poets, thinkers, and faith leaders, including King David, Gandhi, and Mother Teresa. The York University Singers will open the concert.

Freewill offering to benefit *Voices of Hope*
Sponsored by Ray & Carolyn Zeisset



Let Every Heart Prepare Him Room Christmas with Abendmusik

Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 4:00 and 6:30 p.m.

Experience the Christmas story in heavenly carols raised by the Plymouth Choir, Plymouth Ringers, Abendmusik Orchestra, and Lincoln Boys Choir. Let Abendmusik prepare your heart to receive the hope of the season.

Freewill offering to benefit ECHO Collective refugee support
Sponsored by Lorraine Beadell Love, Co-sponsored by Dr. Andrew F. & Elizabeth U. Thompson, Cindy & Chad Mohr, and by Mike Fultz & Linda Schwarzkopf Fultz and Cary & Debbie Wheeland in honor of Lou Lau, featuring a commissioned work funded by Jon & Joan Michelsen



Youth Masterworks Festival at the Lied Center for Performing Arts

Monday, February 26, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

More than 300 students from six Lincoln area high school choirs join Lincoln's Youth Symphony Orchestra and professional soloists on the Lied Center stage. The concert will include Margaret Bonds' *Credo* and world premieres by Brandon Boyd and festival conductor Arianne Abela.

Freewill offering to benefit Cedars
Sponsored by Dr. John H. Casey and Dr. Pamela F. Starr, featuring commissioned works funded by Jon & Joan Michelsen and the Pearle Francis Finigan Foundation



Bluegrass with Monroe Crossing

Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

The Monroe Crossing Bluegrass Band is on the road again, joining our Plymouth Choir for a toe-tapping concert that features Carol Barnett's compelling spiritual masterpiece, *The World Beloved: a Bluegrass Mass*.

Freewill offering to benefit *Clinic with a Heart*
Sponsored by Susan Sehnert Stuart



New Year's Eve Last Blast

Sunday, December 31, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

It's never too early to make your New Year's Eve plans! Mark your calendar now to celebrate with the entertaining and engaging Plymouth Brass and internationally-acclaimed guest organist Alcée Chriss.

Freewill offering to benefit *People's City Mission*
Co-sponsored by Chuck & Mary Ann Erickson and the Ruth Marie Amen Performing Arts Fund, with the support of Lois Thomas



St. John Passion by Johann Sebastian Bach

Friday, March 29, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

A complete performance of J.S. Bach's epic *St. John Passion* will be offered on Good Friday by the *sounding* light chamber choir and Plymouth Choir with guest soloists and a chamber orchestra.

Freewill offering to benefit *First-Plymouth's justNeighbors*
Co-sponsored by Phyllis Martin Owen and the Levick Legacy Society, with the support of Paul Levi Dunn, Mark Kanitz, and Lowell & Jane Nickolaus



Handel's *Messiah*: Lincoln's Community Sing

Sunday, November 26, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Hallelujah! The Lincoln community gathers to sing Abendmusik's annual *Messiah*, and First-Plymouth's Schola cantorum, accompanied by chamber orchestra, offers a rare performance of Henry Purcell's *Jubilate Deo*.

Freewill offering to benefit *Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach*
Co-sponsored by Fred & Margaret Rickers with the support of Denny & Arlene Van Horn, Joe & Jeanette Adams, and Susan Clifford



Kaleidoscope Vocal Ensemble

Friday, February 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The Kaleidoscope Vocal Ensemble shines light on the intersection of music and social justice, offering performances of artistic excellence that celebrate racial, ethnic, and gender diversity. Led by Arianne Abela, nine professional singers will bring their uniquely kaleidoscopic vocal chamber music to the Midwest for the first time. Choirs from Nebraska Wesleyan University and Omaha Central High School will be featured as well.

Freewill offering to benefit the *Asian Community and Cultural Center*
Sponsored by Robert McMaster & Maureen Ose



The Wartburg Choir

Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Wartburg College from Waverly, Iowa, sends its celebrated 80-voice Wartburg Choir for its fourth Abendmusik performance. Iowa's Harlan Community High School Concert Choir will be featured in a concert sure to awaken the soul.

Freewill offering to benefit the *Center for People*
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My Funny Valentine

An Abendmusik Fundraiser - Tuesday, February 13
Online Concert and Gourmet Meal Delivered to Your Door
Tickets available in January 2024

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