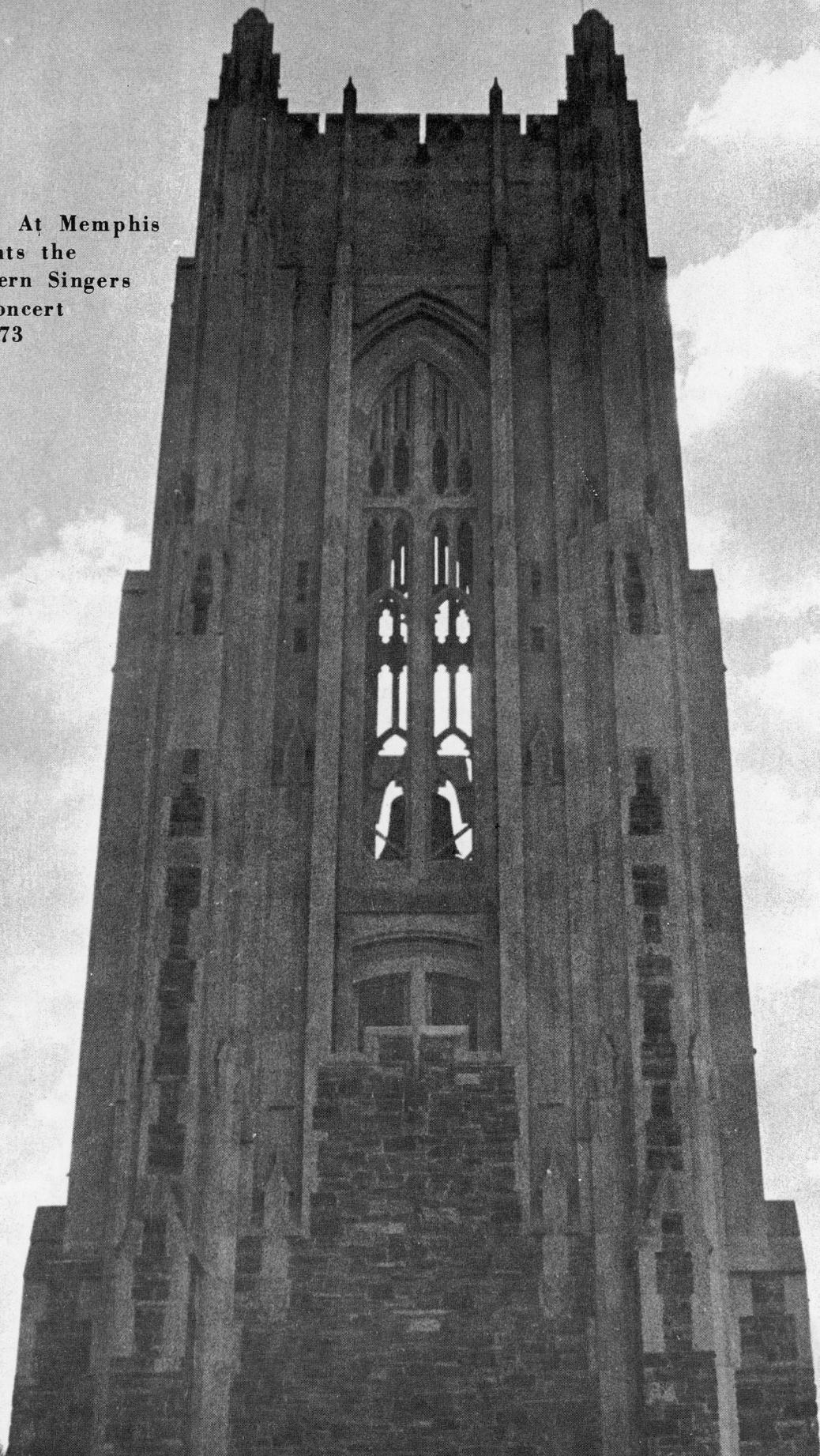


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Conductor: Tony Lee Garner

Accompanist: David Ramsey

ALMA MATER

arr. by Burnet C. Tuthill (1888 - )

MY SOUL IS SADDENED

Orlando de Lassus (1532 - 1594)

Sad is my soul even to death. Tarry here and watch with me. Now you will see the multitude that will surround me. Ye will take flight and I shall go to be sacrificed for you.

AGNUS DEI

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1526 - 1594)

O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

JESUS PRICELESS TREASURE

J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)

For now the law of the Spirit hath given life in Jesus, and hath set me free from law of sin and death.

RELIEVE THE TROUBLES OF MY HEART

Don Freund (1947 - )

Relieve the troubles of my heart and bring me out of my distress, O Lord. Put an end to my affliction and my suffering, and take away all my sins. Give thanks unto the Lord for he is good, for his kindness endures forever. Who can tell the mighty deeds of the Lord, or proclaim all his praises? Happy are they who observe what is right, who do always what is just. Remember us O Lord as you favor your people; visit us with your saving help.

TWO AZTEC POEMS

Tony Lee Garner (1942 - )

## Woman's Complaint

What shall I do? My man compares me to a wild red flower.  
When I have withered in his hands he will leave me.

They Shall Not Wither, My Flowers

They shall not wither, my flowers. They shall not cease, my songs,  
I, the singer, lift them up. They are scattered, they spread about.  
Even though on earth my flowers, may wither and yellow,  
They will be carried there, to the innermost house  
Of the bird with the golden feathers.

THE COOLIN'

Samuel Barber (1910- )

Come with me, under my coat, and we will drink our fill of the milk of the white goat. Or wine if it be thy will. And we will talk, until talk is trouble, too, out on the side of the hill; and nothing is left to do, but an eye to look into an eye; and a hand in a hand to slip; and a sigh to answer a sigh; and a lip to find out a lip! What if the night be black! And the air on the mountain chill! Where the goat lies down in her track, and all but the fern is still! Stay with me, under my coat! and we will drink our fill of the milk of the white goat, out on the side of the hill!

TROIS CHANSONS

Maurice Ravel (1916- )

Nicolet; Three Lovely Birds From Paradise; Roundelay.

BREAK

ABIDE WITH ME

John Gardner (1917- )

Abide with me: fast falls the even-tide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide; when other helpers fail and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see: O thou, who changest not, abide with me, O abide with me.

I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour; what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies; Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me, abide with me.

## SERENITY

Charles Ives (1874-1954)

O, Sabbath rest of Galilee! O, calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity interpreted by love. Drop thy still dews of quietness till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

## HOW EXCELLENT IS THY NAME

Eugene Butler

How excellent is Thy name, O mighty Lord! How excellent in all the earth. When I consider the heav'ns, the moon and the stars which Thou ordaineth, What is man that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou visitest him? How excellent is Thy name in all the earth! Thou has made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with honor and with glory. Thou hast given him dominion over the work of Thy hands. Thou hast put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen and the beasts of the field, the fowl of the air and the fish of the sea. O Lord! How excellent is Thy name in all the earth! Alleluia! Alleluia, Amen!

## I'VE BEEN 'BUKED

Hall Johnson (1888 - )

I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned, I've been talked about sho's you' born. Dere is trouble all over dis worl', yes, dere is trouble all over dis worl'. Ain't gwine lay my 'ligion down, no, ain' gwine lay my 'ligion down.

## SET DOWN SERVANT

Robert Shaw (1916 - )

Set down, servant! I cain' set down. My soul's so happy dat I cain' set down!

My Lawd, you know dat you promis' me a long white robe an' a pair of shoes. Go yonder angel, fetch me a pair of shoes--place dem on-a my servant's feet. Now servant you set down.

My Lawd, you know dat you promise' me a long white robe an' a golden waist band. Go yonder angel, fetch me a golden waist-band place it roun'-a my servant's waist. Now servant you set down.

## SONG OF EXALTATION

Robert Ness Beck

Hath the rain a father? Who hath begotten the drops of dew? Canst thou send lightnings to cause it to rain on the earth, to satisfy the waste ground? Have we not all one father? Hath not one God created us? Who hath gathered the wind in His fists? Who can number the clouds in wisdom? He that formeth the mountains and createth the wind, the Lord, the God of hosts is His Name! Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let men say among the nations: thy God reigneth! Let the sea roar and the fullness thereof; let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein; and let men say among nations: thy God reigneth! Blessed be the Lord God of Israel forever and ever. Sing unto the Lord, all the earth. Give unto the Lord the glory due His name.