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LOVE DIVINE

Renaissance & Contemporary Choral Works

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This CD contains a selection of music which reflects the recent focus of luminatus vocal ensemble, building on themes established within their previous CD, O Beata Virgo Maria, which featured previously unrecorded Renaissance music and works by contemporary female composers. The ensemble's aim is to shine a light on 'new' repertoire, which is then performed with clarity, precision and sensitivity.

Ad te levavi oculos meus by Cipriano de Rore (1515, or 1516–1565) is a five part setting, first published in 1567 within the *Primo libro de gli eterni mottetti* alongside works by Orlando Lasso, and then subsequently published by Angelo Gardano as part of *Sacrae Cantiones* (1595), in Venice. It is a setting of the Clementine Vulgate Psalm 122, divided into two sections. The corresponding mass, by Philippe de Monte (1521–1603), was published in the *Harmoniae miscellae cantionum sacrarum* (1583) in Nuremberg by Katharina Gerlach. The music is mostly in five parts, with sections for four

voices in the Credo, and utilises the motet of Cipriano de Rore in several places. Ippolito Baccusi (c. 1550 – 1609) worked in northern Italy and was influenced, amongst others, by Cipiano de Rore. The work of Baccusi is little researched and, to date, very rarely performed. The **Salve Regina** and **Cantabant sancti canticum novum** settings are both in five parts, first published in Venice in 1579 as part of the *Motectorum cum 5*, 6 et 8 vocibus by Francisco Rampazetti.

This CD provides an opportunity for the luminatus ensemble to again feature music of the Italian Tiburtio Massaino (before 1550 – after 1608). Massaino travelled widely, becoming an Augustinian Friar in Piacenza, before working in Rome, Lodi, Salò, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Prague (where he met Philippe de Monte), as well as Piacenza and Cremona. The three pieces recorded here were published in Prague as part of the Liber primus Cantionum Ecclesiasticarum ut vulgo motecta vocant, quatuor vocum by Georgii Nigrini.

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The work of contemporary female composers brings this sequence of music to a conclusion. Agneta Sköld (b. 1947) is a Swedish singer, organist, conductor and composer. The words of the **Corpus Christi Carol** were first written down in the early 1600s, providing either a link to Holy Grail mythology, or an allegory for the life of Christ. Sköld provides a simple, but highly effective setting. **God be merciful** uses words from Psalm 67, written in two main sections, with strong rhythmic features and gentle dissonance.

Becky McGlade (b. 1974) studied music at Royal Holloway, University of London, and works as a cellist, composer, and teacher in Cornwall. I saw a new heaven is drawn from the book of Revelation, where the apostle John has a vision of the 'new Jerusalem'. The text is full of hope and consolation for the old earth, where pain and grief will give way to a new world, where God's people will dwell in His presence forever. The piece opens sparsely, but becomes more sumptuous, with a shift to A major at the

words 'The new Jerusalem', followed by a slower expressive section for 'God shall wipe all tears from their eyes'. Love divine is a setting of a well-known hymn by Charles Wesley, intended as a Christianization of the song Fairest Isle from Henry Purcell's semi-opera King Arthur. The setting was inspired by a walk on cliffs in Cornwall near the composer's home. The piece opens gently, but builds to a climax at 'Till we cast our crowns before Thee', before ebbing slowly away, lingering on the words 'Lost in wonder, love and praise'.

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955) is a Canadian choral director, accompanist and composer based in Toronto. O ye who taste that love is sweet is a simple and beautiful setting for four voices, with occasional division, of words by Christina Georgina Rossetti (1830–1894).

1 Ad te levavi oculos meos

Part 1

Ad te levavi oculos meos, qui habitas in caelis. Ecce sicut oculi servorum in manibus dominorum suorum; sicut oculi ancillae in manibus dominae suae: ita oculi nostri ad Dominum Deum nostrum, donec misereatur nostri.

Part 2

Miserere nostri, Domine, miserere nostri, quia multum repleti sumus despectione; quia multum repleta est anima nostra opprobrium abundantibus, et despectio superbis.

Unto thee lift I up mine eyes:
O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress: even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we are utterly despised. Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy: and with the despitefulness of the proud.

2 - 6 Missa Ad te levavi oculos meos

i Kyrie

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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ii Gloria

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Et in terra pax hominibus
bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam
aloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ:

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;

thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

iii Credo

Credo in unum Deum. Patrem omnipotentem. factorem caeli et terrae visibilium omnium et invisibilium. Ft in unum Dominum Jesum Christum Filium Dei unigenitum, Et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula Deum de Deo. lumen de lumine. Deum verum de Deo vero. Genitum, non factum. consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de caelis.

Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine: Et homo factus est.

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato: passus, et sepultus est.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord, Jesus Christ

Only begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds.

God of God, light of light,

Very God of very God. Begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father: by whom all things were made.

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven.

And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary:
And was made man.

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate: suffered, and was buried.

Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum scripturas. Et ascendit in caelum: sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria judicare vivos et mortuos: Cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum sanctum Dominum, et vivificantem: Qui ex Patre. Filioque procedit.

Qui cum Patre, et Filio simul adoratur, et conglorificatur:

Qui locutus est per Prophetas.

Et unam, sanctam, catholicam et apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum Et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen. And the third day He rose again according to the scriptures.
And ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead: His kingdom shall have no end.

And (I believe in) the Holy Ghost, Lord and giver of life:
Who proceedeth from the Father and Son.
Who with the Father and Son together is worshipped and glorified:

Who spake by the Prophets.

And in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life of the world to come.
Amen.

iv Sanctus and Benedictus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

v Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

the world, grant us peace.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
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7 Salve Regina

Part 1

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae: vita dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii Hevae, Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes In hac lacrimarum valle.

Part 2

Eia ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos Misericordes oculos ad nos converte.

Part 3

Et lesum benedictum fructum ventris tui Nobis post hoc exsilium ostende: O clemens, O pia, O dulcis virgo semper Maria. Hail, queen of mercy,
Our life, our sweetness and our hope, hail!
To you we cry, exiled children of Eve,
To you we sigh, groaning and weeping
In this vale of tears.

Therefore as our advocate
Turn your merciful eyes towards us.

Show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Marv.

8 Cantabant sancti canticum novum

Cantabant sancti canticum novum ante sedem dei et agni et resonabat terra in voces eorum.

(Hiempti sunt ex hominibus primítiae Deo, et Agno,

et in ore eorum non est inventum mendacium.

Et resonabat terra in voces eorum).

The Saints sang a new song before the throne of God and of the Lamb, and their sound is gone out in all lands.

(These children have been ransomed from among men as the first offerings to God and to the Lamb

and in their mouths no falsehood has been found

And their sound is gone out in all lands).

9 Salvatorem expectamus

Salvatorem expectamus Dominum, nostrum Jesum Christum,

qui reformabit corpus humilitatis nostrae, configuratum corpori claritatis suae.

We look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ,

Who shall change our lowly body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious Body.

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10 O Domine Jesu Christe

O Domine Jesu Christe, adoro te in cruce pendentem et coronam spineam in capite portantem:

deprecor te, tua crux ut me liberet ab angelo percutiente.

11 Ne timeas Maria

Ne timeas Maria, invenisti gratiam apud Dominum: ecce concipies in utero et paries filium,

et vocabitur nomen ejus Jesum erit enim magnus et filius altissimi vocabitur. O Lord Jesus Christ, I worship you hanging on the cross and wearing the crown of thorns on your head:
I pray you that that cross may free me from the angel who strikes me.

Fear not, Mary, for you have found favour with the Lord: behold, you shall conceive and bring forth a son,

and his name shall be called Jesus for he will be great and will be called the son of the most high.

12 Corpus Christi Carol

Lully, lullay, lully, lullay, The falcon hath borne my make away.

He bare him up, he bare him down, He bare him into an orchard brown.

In that orchard there was a hall
That was all hung with purple and pall.

And in that hall there was a bed, 'Twas hung around with gold so red.

And in that bed there lieth a knight, His wound do bleed by day and night.

By that bedside kneeleth a may, She weepeth sore both night and day.

And by that bedside there standeth a stone, With Corpus Christi written thereon.

13 God be merciful

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us.

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

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14 I saw a new heaven

I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.

15 Love divine

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art.

Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast.
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be.
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all thy life receive.
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore they temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; true and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise

16 O ye who taste that love is sweet

O ye who taste that love is sweet, set way-marks for the doubtful feet that stumble on in search of it.

Sing hymns of love; that those who hear far off, in pain, may lend an ear.
Rise up and wonder and draw near.

Lead lives of love; that others who behold your lives may kindle too with love, and cast their lot with you.

Sing hymns of love; that those who hear Rise up and wonder and draw near. O ye who taste that love is sweet.

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The luminatus vocal ensemble consists of between eight and sixteen singers, who operate on the basis of first amongst equals, able to perform music in a wide range of styes and take solo parts where required. The group performs rare Renaissance music, contemporary pieces (often by female composers), and music with period instruments. Recent reviews of the ensemble have described their 'wonderful sound', 'exceptional ability' and 'luminous ensemble'

Soprano

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Alison Daniels Anastasia Micklethwaite Lucy Ormrod Meg Webb

Tenor

Giles Turner
David Walsh
Owen Winters
Niki Zhodi
Richard Mayer**
Dan Hunt**

Bass

Will Burn Luke Busbridge Peter Coleman Chris Williams



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David Bray

Dr David Bray has worked as a trumpet player, author, researcher, teacher and, for ten years, was the County Music adviser in Northamptonshire. He has conducted many ensembles, including choirs which have broadcast widely, given many premiere performances and won national and international prizes, where an adjudicator described a performance as 'extremely fine in every way'.























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