

Fall 2024 Home Concert

# The Kapelle

of Concordia University Chicago

Conducted by  
Dr. Charles P. Brown



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# The Program

O Gracious Light .....	Howard Helvey (b. 1968)
<i>Du Friedefürst, Herr Jesu Christ</i> BWV 116, mvt. 1 .....	Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)
It Is the Lord! .....	Paul D. Weber (b. 1949)
So Great a Cloud of Witnesses	
<i>Selig sind die Toten</i> , SWV 391 .....	Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672)
Blessed Are the Dead Who Die In the Lord .....	Carl Schalk (1929–2021)
<i>Oculus non vidit</i> .....	Rihards Dubra (b. 1964)
Poor Wayfaring Stranger .....	Russell Robinson (b. 1952)
Great God Almighty .....	Stacey V. Gibbs (b. 1962)
<i>Müde bin ich, geh zur Ruh</i> .....	Thomas Gieschen (1931–2006)
The God of Peace .....	Paul D. Weber
Peace I Leave with You .....	Walter L. Pelz (b. 1926)

## about the conductor



**DR. CHARLES BROWN** serves as professor of music and is the music program lead and chair of the arts division at Concordia University Chicago. In addition to his role as conductor of the touring choir, the

Kapelle, he has also taught undergraduate and graduate courses in conducting, choral literature, singer's diction, vocal techniques and choral music education since 2000.

Dr. Brown actively guest conducts, working with such groups as the Chicago Choral Artists and the Lutheran Choir of Chicago.

He's been honored to conduct choirs at district festivals for the Illinois Music Educators Conference and the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association. In his service to the Church, he has conducted the senior choir of the LCMS Institute on Liturgy, Preaching and Church Music, and numerous youth choir festivals throughout the Synod.

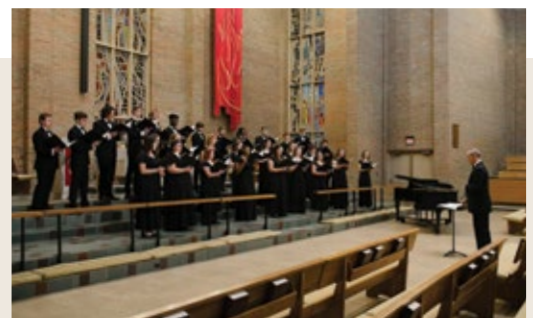
Specializing in topics of the male changing voice, conducting and vocal techniques, Dr. Brown has presented many workshops at professional conferences with the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), the LCMS Institute on Liturgy, Preaching and Church Music, Lutheran Education Association (LEA), the American

Guild of Organists (AGO), the Lutheran Choir of Chicago, and the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (ALCM). His continued passion for choral music education in churches and schools is demonstrated in the festivals and workshops he currently leads throughout the country.

Dr. Brown earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Westminster Choir College and his Doctor of Musical Arts in choral conducting and voice performance at the University of Arizona. He recently served on the board of directors with Anima—Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus, and has served on past committees for the Institute on Liturgy, Preaching and Church Music.



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# The Kapelle

The Kapelle is Concordia University Chicago's premier choral ensemble, performing repertoire ranging from Renaissance to contemporary music. Known for delivering beautifully sung, thematic programs, the students spread the Gospel message to audiences throughout the U.S. and abroad. Since 2003, the Kapelle has traveled to Argentina, Canada, Chile, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Latvia, Poland, Russia and Scotland.

Beyond touring, the Kapelle actively performs in the Chicagoland area. They have collaborated with Chicago-area choirs and orchestras over the years, namely the Chicago Arts Orchestra, Southwest Symphony Orchestra and the Symphony of Oak Park-River Forest. The Kapelle will be featured at the Bach Cantata Series at Grace Lutheran Church, River Forest, in November 2024 to perform *Du Friedefürst, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 116*. Committed to serving the Church, the Kapelle visits congregations and schools throughout the country by leading workshops, performing assemblies and serving in worship.



## sopranos



**Maddison Blodgett**  
Rochester, NY  
Music Education  
*flutist*



**Josette Brown**  
Lockport, IL  
Psychology



**Emily Greene**  
Port Washington, WI  
Strategic Comm &  
Spanish



**Lillian Hildebrand**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Elementary Education, LTE



**Olivia Hitz**  
Mackinaw, IL  
Mathematics



**Abigail Pflughoeft**  
Lowell, IN  
Director of Christian  
Education (DCE), LTE



**Ava Shiels**  
Franksville, WI  
Social Work



**Olivia Wrolstad**  
Watertown, WI  
Music  
*pianist*

Susan Brown | *organist*  
Alyssa Arrigo | *pianist*

## altos



**Lizzie Gatchell**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Elementary Education, LTE



**Callie Hoover**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Elementary Education, LTE;  
Middle Gr. Education - Math



**Grace Levitt**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Secondary Education, LTE



**Emma Pflughoeft**  
Lowell, IN  
Business Management



**Anika Slayton**  
St. Charles, MO  
Theology, Deaconess



**Hannah Weber**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Elementary Education, LTE;  
Middle Gr. Education-  
Social Studies

## tenors



**Darrell Carter, Jr.**  
Elmhurst, IL  
Art



**Matthew Clayton**  
Mascoutah, IL  
Math, Actuarial  
Science



**Joseph Jurca**  
Wheeling, IL  
Psychology &  
Theology



**Caleb Krueger**  
Branson, MO  
Director of Christian  
Education (DCE)



**Connor Nichols**  
Brownstown, IN  
Theology

## bases



**Nathaniel Clayton**  
Mascoutah, IL  
Director of Christian Educa-  
tion (DCE); Interdisciplinary



**Joel Freiberg**  
Racine, MN  
Director of Parish Music



**Zachary Heiss**  
Boise, ID  
Director of Parish Music



**Emmanuel Leka**  
Rockford, IL  
Music Education



**Evan Magness**  
High Ridge, MO  
Theology



**Jordan Meier**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Secondary Education -  
Social Studies, LTE



**Harry Mueller**  
Glen Carbon, IL  
History



**Harrison Robbins**  
Columbus, NE  
Theology



**Troy Zimmerman**  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Theological Languages

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