



MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR
ORCHESTRA AT TEMPLE SQUARE

CONDUCTOR: Mack Wilberg
ORGANIST: Richard Elliott

LET THERE BE LIGHT!
music by Gilbert M. Martin
words by John Marriott

LIBERA ME*
from *Requiem*, op. 48
by Gabriel Fauré

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS
Irish melody
arranged by Robert Cundick

BOUND FOR THE PROMISED LAND
American folk hymn
arranged by Mack Wilberg

PEACE LIKE A RIVER
spiritual
arranged by Mack Wilberg

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC
music by William Steffe
words by Julia Ward Howe
arranged by Peter J. Wilhousky

* Shane Warby, soloist.



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The first broadcast of *Music and the Spoken Word* was on a hot summer afternoon in the Tabernacle on Temple Square, July 15, 1929. The announcer climbed a ladder to speak into the radio station's one and only microphone, suspended from the ceiling. He stayed perched on the ladder throughout the half-hour program. An audio engineer was alerted by telegraph when to start. Hand signals cued the announcer. He began, "From the crossroads of the West, we welcome you to a program of inspirational music and spoken word."

Those words, first spoken eight decades ago, still open the program. Today *Music and the Spoken Word* is the world's longest continuing network broadcast, carried on more than 2,000 radio and television stations and

cable systems. It has been broadcast from locations across the country and around the world. Through all the ups and downs, twists and turns of four generations, this broadcast has lifted spirits, comforted souls, and brought millions closer to the Divine. Every week since 1929, listeners young and old have tuned in to a familiar station and found a trusted friend—the Choir's broadcast of *Music and the Spoken Word*.

While the times and technologies have changed, the essence of this broadcast remains the same. In a world so noisy and full of distraction, *Music and the Spoken Word* continues as a welcome reprieve, fulfilling through word and song our hope expressed every Sunday: "May peace be with you, this day and always."

Rehearsals of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir for *Music and the Spoken Word* are held most Thursdays from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. in the Tabernacle or Conference Center (for details, check www.mormontabernaclechoir.org). Admission is free, and photography is permitted.

For a free tour of historic Temple Square, talk to one of the missionaries. The North and South Visitors' Centers feature interactive displays about the gospel of Jesus Christ, strengthening families, and the building of the Salt Lake Temple. In the

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Joseph Smith Memorial Building you can view the film *Joseph Smith The Prophet of the Restoration* (69 minutes; admission free) or visit the FamilySearch™ Center. Free tours of the Conference Center are also available. Temple Square hours are 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

If you would like to receive a free copy of the Book of Mormon: Another Testament of Jesus Christ and learn more about The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, please talk to a missionary on Temple Square, call 1-800-547-2727, or visit www.mormon.org.



“THINGS TO BE DESIRED”

by Lloyd D. Newell

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Max Ehrmann loved to write. And so, after practicing law for a few years and bouncing between the meatpacking and manufacturing industries, he set it all aside, picked up a pen, and turned to writing full-time. Throughout his life he published books and essays and poems that reflected his wisdom, his passion for the written word, and his hopeful view of life.

His most acclaimed work, *Desiderata*, was published in 1927 but didn't become popular until well after his death in 1945. *Desiderata*, which in Latin means “things to be desired,” contains this insightful advice for all of us in our hectic, hurry-up world:

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence.

As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story. . . .

If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. . . .

Be gentle with yourself. . . .

Whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery, and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world.

Be cheerful.

Strive to be happy.

These wise words echo the peaceful whisperings of truth. They strike the same note as the ancient words of the Psalmist: “Do good; seek peace, and pursue it” (Psalm 34:14).

As noisy and hasty as life may have been in 1927, the need to “go placidly” seems even greater today. How might the world be different if shrill, hateful voices were met with truth spoken “quietly and clearly”? We may not be able to change the world in all the ways we would like to, but if we truly do “keep peace in [the] soul,” we will see, as Max Ehrmann did, that “it is still a beautiful world.”