Schütz: musicus perfectissimus et universalis

Heinrich Schütz’s reputation is indeed a strange one: that of a composer who continues to be the victim of some kind of confessional prejudice. While he is still ignored in Catholic sacred music circles, to a great extent, he has at the same time enjoyed wide interest (during the last few decades at least) as a pre-Bachian interpreter of Lutheran religiosity. To make matters worse, the editions of his music, after Spitta’s excellent one in the 19th century, are woefully inadequate. The famous NSA, in particular, is so full of inaccuracies (notes, textual meanings, etc.) that it is worth mentioning a couple of examples here:

1) in Schütz’s madrigal (No.9) ‘Quella damm a son io’, the term damma – meaning doe, or female deer – is rendered as dama, thereby creating considerable confusion (and this is all the more remarkable since Spitta’s preface abundantly clarifies the correct meaning by deriving it from the original literary source, the Pastor fido!);

2) regarding the fiffara (Symphoniae Sacrae I, ‘Anima mea’ (8) and ‘Adjuro vos’ (9) the editor Gerber, misled by the mezzo-soprano clef, suggests the use of the English horn, whereas in fact they are transverse flutes that play an octave higher to reproduce the actual pitches that Schütz would have otherwise had to write, most inconveniently, in the violin clef with numerous attendant leger lines.

The term fiffare must not be confused with pifferi (fifres), which were the same as bombarde (played in pairs and combined with the slide trombone in dance music bands). On 16th-century organs it indicated the flauto alemanno (or German flute). That a characteristic of the flauto alla todesca or traversa was a delicate, trembling sound is confirmed by the fact that the organ stop was made in the first half of the 16th century with stopped pipes and played with the tremolo, whereas further into the century it was a second principal stop tuned sharp against the first principal in such a way as to generate beats. In this case it is called – to the great confusion of those who claim that ‘early voices’ were devoid of vibrato – the Voce Umana stop to be played at the Elevation: ‘Fiffaro, which by many is called the voci humane stop, which can indeed be thus named, owing to its sweet harmony’ (Costanzo Antegnati, L’Arte Organica, 1608). That such transverse flutes were played an octave higher is confirmed by Michael Praetorius (quoted in Ferruccio Civra, Heinrich Schütz, Gribaudo 1986, p. 227, n. 52) in the Syntagma musicum (1619), which also indicates a range extending upwards for two and a half octaves from central D, whereas the cornettino (an instrument indicated by Schütz as an alternative to the fiffare and pitched higher than the cornett played today) extends up from central E for two octaves.
Such mistakes were evidently comprehensible in the 1880s (Spitta confidently declares: ‘Fiffari sind Schalmeien!’) but not, surely, in the 1950s! Moreover, the transcriptions of Schütz’s music in the NSA edition (unlike the very reliable Spitta followed in the present recordings) also use the never sufficiently deplored American criteria codified by Apel for students, scholars and musicologists all too often devoid of practical musical skills. In other words: the pernicious recourse to just two clefs (violin and bass) to express the vocal and instrumental ranges; the transposition of keys according to very questionable criteria, which in any case have nothing to do with the still un-clarified problem of chiavette; and above all, the reduction of note-values and the doubling of bars. Another edition, published by Carus of Stuttgart, though in other respects more respectful of the original text, adopts the same ‘amateurish’ criteria of transcription, based on the ‘scientific’ and ‘musicological’ criterion of its suitability for reading and analysis at the piano.

However, what is even more misleading is the ‘religious’ reading: an approach that is especially unaccountable in the case of a universal (katholikos) musician like Schütz, who was trained in Venice at the school of Giovanni Gabrieli. Besides, his main source of inspiration was not the Lutheran chorale so much as the Psalter and his most significant and inspired works are called opus ecclesiasticum primum Cantiones Sacrae and above all opus ecclesiasticum secundum Symphoniae Sacrae I, the latter produced and published in Venice. Here in particular the composer’s supreme inspiration creates unique and unsurpassable gems of a quality that Bach succeeded in equalling, with similar katholikos afflatus, only in the Magnificat and Missa (i.e. the Kyrie and Gloria, or first part of the B minor Mass).

In Bach this is particularly evident, as long as one examines him without either indulging in the ‘scientific’ and cabalistic tenets of pure numerology or espousing the rigidly confessional approach. In his keyboard music a direct descent from the teaching of Frescobaldi generates Part III of the Clavier-Übung, which follows in the tracks of the analogous cycle of the Fiori Musicali, while the Kunst der Fuge follows in those of the Capricci; in the latter case the analogy even extends to the point of imitating Frescobaldi’s Terzo Capriccio sopra il Cuclo in the Contrapunctus Quartus, where the cuckoo’s song is reiterated as an ostinato even more obsessively. Finally, in the Goldberg Variations (an instance of felicitous evasion following in the tracks of Domenico Scarlatti, whose idiom Bach revisits with the same contrapuntal enrichment that distinguishes his reworking of the Pergolesi Stabat Mater) the final Quodlibet of Variation 30 adds a touch of ironic self-reflection to supreme mastery by combining a popular air – for Frescobaldi the ever-present Ruggero, for Bach the jocular ditty Ich bin so lang – with the familiar theme of the Bergamasca.

Bach strongly espoused a type of rhetorical and textual dramatization that derived from the Italian madrigal literature, though he did so apparently without direct knowledge of the work of Schütz, who was an untiring disseminator of this form of rhetoric in Germany. In Bach, however, the German religious component is much stronger than in Schütz: while Bach was Kantor of the Lutheran chorale, Schütz was Cantor of the Psalter (first in Latin, then in German). Both worked in honour of God and in the service of their fellow men. Both revered the tradition and shared an unbounded admiration for the great Italian masters of the Renaissance (and particularly Gabrieli and Frescobaldi, respectively) – in other words, for musicians who emerged from the union of Flemish contrapuntal wisdom with the Italian expression and sense of drama that attended the close adherence to poetic texts. What basically separated the two was Schütz’s distrust not only of the new operatic tendencies (the Italian masters of the second half of the 17th century were much more perfunctory in their compositional approach than those of the great earlier school), but also of the new fashion for French instrumental music, a fashion that was subjugating music to political principles. Also totally lacking in Schütz, though this time for obvious chronological reasons, was any
knowledge of the concerto grosso of Corelli and then of Vivaldi. All of these elements, on the other hand, Bach sublimely exploited, though he was also well aware of the futility of the voguish chauvinism that opposed the two tastes, French and Italian, and was fully cognizant that French music was only opposed to Italian music in its immobility, brought about by the crystallization of society under Louis XIV.

In fact, as in the architecture (see Bernini in France), French music was nothing if not dependent on Italian taste (or more particularly, the Roman taste of the early 17th century). What half way through the century had by then become in Italy the ‘tedium of recitative’ (Mazzocchi) had been introduced to Paris by the Italian musicians imported by Mazarin. Chief of these was Luigi Rossi, who composed the opera Orfeo (1647) for the court of Paris and whose Lamento della Regina di Svezia (for the widow of Gustavus Adolphus, the Lutheran king who had fallen at Lützen) was sung before the Catholic ally Richelieu, with the singer’s spasmodic interpretation arousing great astonishment. The Italian taste was further consolidated by Cavalli with his opera Ercole Amante (1662), composed for the marriage of Louis XIV, only to become a genre that remained immutable until well into the 18th century in the hands of that mediocre, yet cunning, practitioner Lulli (or Mr. de Lully), the main perpetrator of the expulsion ‘des Italiens’. This explains the so-called Querelle des Bouffons: faced with the developments in Italian operatic music during the mid 18th century, the French, oblivious of the true origins of Lully’s recitative singing and neglectful that their art of ornamentation (which they clarified and classified in ordered Tables d’agrémants with true Cartesian method) derived from the Italian 17th-century embellishments, ventilated strange ideas of goûts réunis, when not actually raving about Gallic musical supremacy.

If we consider the rich store of revolutionary innovations (harmonic and expressive) disclosed in the Symphoniae Sacrae I, the complete incomprehension of Schütz’s Italian contemporaries is surely understandable. And their distrust was no doubt compounded by the fact that this genius was also a northerner of Lutheran faith (who, significantly, frequented only free Venice; in Rome he would have had to ‘convert’, like Froberger and Kerll). However, the textual inspiration of the Symphoniae Sacrae I is offered by two works that were assiduously plundered by theologians in search of pithy mottoes and equally assiduously frequented by Catholic musicians: the Psalms and the Song of Songs. In particular, the exquisite poem attributed to Solomon frequently inspired the composers of sacred music to write of mystical loves in horti conclusi, hinting at a sensuality that was sanctioned merely by the sacred transposition. As with the nudity shown in the paintings of languorous Susannas or the ‘mystical’ swoonings of ecstatic St Teresas, these sacred ‘translations’ satisfied a prurience that could only thus be cultivated (even in public) by the fashionable young cardinals. Aside from these two texts, the unabridged reading of the Bible was practically prohibited in Catholic spheres, and then only when accompanied by explicative glosses. Schütz, on the other hand, unlike his Catholic contemporaries and thanks to his Lutheran familiarity with the scriptures, was profoundly sensitive to religious feeling. Hence his expressive adherence to the word was not a mere transposition of ‘disguised’ profane affects, such as those made by Aquilini for Monteverdi’s madrigals in the same age (witness how the Lamento di Arianna was turned into a Planctus Mariae).
The amorous yearning expressed in the music in No.8, ‘Adjuro vos’, at the words ‘quia amore langueo’, possesses a potent sensuality that is not at all a masking of profane sentiments. In this sense (to make a visual comparison) it differs totally from the fainting of Bernini’s St Teresa or the even more explicit spectacle of the Blessed Ludovica Albertoni (to cap it all, a late work), both exhibited (though the latter more discreetly) over an altar. With its breathless phrasing and the return of feverish feeling at the astonishing E flat, here all the harmonic retardation of the amorous state is powerfully sacred: this is no orgasm, but pure ecstasy! The catalogue of the beloved’s beauties in the following piece treats the female body without any lasciviousness. Instead we find a genuine awareness of eternal beauty, in which the musical settings even hint at visions of serene delight: the beloved’s small yet firm, full breasts rise and fall gracefully (both textually and musically ‘like two young roes, that are twins’) under their veil (though perhaps also not), while the full splendour of her beauties is theatrically exhibited in a contemplation that surpasses all sensuality to become contemplation of pure beauty at the end of piece No.10, after the tenor and baritone, in competition with one, have rapturously exclaimed a series of sweet attributes: ‘Veni de Libano, veni columba mea, formosa mea, immaculata mea! O quam tu pulchra es!!’ What ecstatic astonishment is expressed at the revelation of beauty in that prolonged exclamation, in those enthusiastically repeated attributes (indicated presto by Schütz!) and finally in the last ‘O quam tu pulchra es!’ (Adagio).

The influences we detect in Schütz are numerous. In the case of the opus ecclesiasticum primum, Cantiones Sacrae, the chief model is Palestrina’s sacred madrigal production, so neglected in modern choral performances. For his opus ecclesiasticum secundum, Symphoniae Sacrae [I], the influences are various. Above all, there is of course Giovanni Gabrieli, for whom Schütz, recollecting his teaching during his first stay in Venice, expresses his boundless admiration in the dedication to Johann Georg II, heir of Saxony, written in highly elaborate Latin (in which he polytheistically invokes the immortal Gods, in ways that recall Cicero more than Christianity, and imagines musical nuptials between his beloved master Gabrieli and the Muse Melpomene): ‘Quum Venetiis appulissem, hinc anchoram ici, ubi adolescens sub magno Gabrieli meae artis posueram Tyrocinia. At Gabrielius, Dij immortales, quantus vir; illum si garrula vidisset antiquitas, (dicam verbo) Amphionibus praetulisset, aut si connubia amarent musae, praeter ipsum non alio Melpomene gauderet marito, tantus erat arte ciendi modos’. The inspiration of the magnus Gabrielius transpires already in the title, while the instrumental parts of Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 are a clear thematic (as well as instrumental) tribute to the venerated master. Then there is the influence of Monteverdi. We detect it in the incipit of No.10, so indebted to ‘Non così tosto io miro’ from the Scherzi Musicali, and also in the echoes of Orfeo in the instrumental parts of both David’s lament (No.13) and the grimly instructional psalm of the severe Asaph (No.14). Again, the influence is hinted at in the Preface, which stresses the change in taste that occurred in Venice after his first stay and refers to his own adjustment to this new style: ‘Venetis apud veteres amicos commoratus, cognovi modulandi rationem non nihil immutatam antiquos numeros ex parte deposuisse, hodiernis auribus recenti allusuram titillatione: ad cuius ego normam ut aliqua tibi de meae industiae penu pro instituto depromerem, hoc animum, et vires adieci.’
Then there is a reminiscence of Orazio Vecchi in the finale of No.18, so similar to the ensembles of the Amfiparnaso and Selva di Varia Ricreazione. One great novelty of the Symphoniae I is the very rich manner of concerting the voices with the instruments, all selected with a superb ‘Gabrielian’ feeling for variety, with instrumental sinfonie that anticipate and comment on the vocal theme or at times even develop an independent argument. In any case, throughout his life Schütz remained faithful to the great Italian polyphonic school of the late 16th century and duly celebrated the founding principle of the basic madrigal, i.e. full adherence, both conceptual and literal, of the music to the word. Significantly, this was to become a distinctive transalpine trait right up until Bach, to the extent that its Italian origin was eventually forgotten, if not even repudiated. But, I repeat, this was instead a revival: the revival of an art that had been developed in Italy through a merging of Italian features with the Flemish genius; an art that first emerged in the supra-national dimension created by the universality of European late-medieval culture, with its shared faith and the common dominion of the Holy Roman Empire (and incidentally, from the Empire’s last great champion, Charles V, descended most of the reigning national dynasties from the 17th to 19th centuries, all of which were inter-related – even physically, judging by the distinctive jutting jaws – yet bitter enemies: ‘parentes serpentes’).

Finally, it is worth mentioning that in spite of the autograph manuscript corrections and the insertions pasted over the errors in the Wolfenbüttel copy (which belonged to Schütz and was cited by Spitta), many inaccuracies have remained. Often they have been indicated as astounding instances of Schütz’s adherence to ‘second practices’: i.e. bold harmonies, whereas in fact they are just mistakes! In particular in No.9 the clash between the 2nd note of the baritone’s third-last entry, G natural, and the violin G sharp is easily explained as an accidental misplacement of sharps in the edition: the violin G is in fact natural, as is confirmed by the continuo part, where only the second E is indicated as a major third; the sharp sign, on the other hand, should be moved back to the preceding F. Another probable error that Schütz must have considered too obvious even to call attention to is in No.11, at bar 27 (numbering inferred from Spitta’s edition), where we find a correction (G instead of A) pasted over the Tenor’s second quaver (text: ‘et laetentur’). Spitta argues that if the first quaver D (over ‘et’) was also meant to be corrected to E, a similar slip of paper would again have been used. The present edition views such reasoning as too ‘positivist’ and has opted for an E precisely because the mistake is so obvious: tot capita tot sententiae! As regards the instrumentation, where Schütz has offered a choice of two possibilities (e.g. No.7: fiffaro or cornettino), that indicated first has been adopted, on the assumption that it was the one he preferred. For No.18, ‘Veni dilecte mi’, the recorded version is that indicated by Schütz for 2 choirs, with the text added to the Trombone II part. For the texts the translation of the Bible offered is that of the King James Version (1611), owing to its chronological proximity to Schütz’s youth. No transpositions of the music have been made. The vocal ranges are those indicated by the composer, with the exception of the Altus pieces, where any recourse to counter-tenors would have seemed attributable to present-day fashion rather than historical choice. The range is utterly in line with a form of tenor singing that resorts to falsetto when necessary (avoiding the exclusive use of the chest voice typical of 19th-century opera).

I would like to conclude with the verse that Schütz, the quintessential Psalm composer, chose as the text for his own funerary sermon (given by Martin Geier) and which was set to music for five voices in 1670 by Christoph Bernhard. It is verse 54 of Psalm 118, the longest and most fervent of all the Psalms of the Vulgate, a poem about the love for divine love: *Cantabiles mihi erant justificationes tuae in loco peregrinationis meae.*
Symphoniae sacrae II

In Schütz’s earlier Venetian collection of symphoniae the instrumental scoring shows a degree of experimentalism in its sonorities that was unique for its day and a superb, indeed unequalled, research into colour combinations by exploiting the possible blends of timbre among the various wind instruments. In comparison, the second collection, printed eighteen years later, would seem to conform more closely to the contemporary norm of Italian concertato sacred music, in which the voices (here frequently required to engage in considerable virtuosity) were generally complemented by instrumental forces consisting of two violins. In fact, only the fourth number, the German ‘Magnificat’, proposes an ad libitum instrumentation, alternating the pair of violins with a pair of viols or trombones, one of cornetts or trombette and one of flautini or violins: an instrumentation that certainly wishes to enhance the musical representation of the affects and highlight the rhetorical structure of the Marian canticle’s text.

In the actual way the two violins are employed, however, we find no standardized approach. Never in the sacred music of the 17th century do violins play such an active role in the music’s contrapuntal structure. Although, all things considered, the introductory instrumental sinfonie or instrumental intermedi could be said to follow the Italian canons of the period, I know of no other Italian composer contemporary with Schütz who asks the concertato instruments to participate so strongly in the vocal discourse: in many passages, in fact, it wouldn’t be at all difficult to add the verbal text sung by the voices to the violin parts as well. In the fine sacred concertos of Vincenzo Albrici (1631–1690/96), the important yet still little known Roman musician who succeeded Schütz at the Dresden chapel (and whose music has been accorded a first recording by the Cappella Augustana for the Swedish label MVSICA REDITIVA MRCD-008), violins are used to alternate instrumental sections with the vocal passages, which are nearly always sustained by the continuo only. On other, less frequent, occasions the violins play together with the singers, but never with the importance of genuine voces instrumentales such as we find in the symphoniae of 1647. Moreover, Schütz often uses the two stringed instruments as a kind of second choir that alternates with, or is superimposed on, the vocal choir, thereby creating fine antiphonal and polyphonic effects of a distinctive Venetian flavour even within the restricted scope of the available forces.

As with the symphoniae of 1629, the vast majority of these pieces resort to biblical, and particularly Old Testament, texts. Only three use non-scriptural and Lutheran material: Nos. 14 and 15, based on the two strophes of Luther and Walter’s German version of the antiphon Da pacem, Domine, and No.26, an extended cycle – a sort of precursor of the successive Lutheran cantata – on the nine strophes of the chorale Von Gott will ich nicht lassen, known at the time in Italy in secular garb as the Aria della Monica (Tanto tempo hormai). Again Schütz’s greatest interest is focused on the Psalms. But this time, obviously, the language is German. On the composer’s own testimony, the concertos contained in the preceding collection of 1629 had attracted a certain regard, to the extent of being often performed with German texts replacing the Latin (an encouragement to ‘attempt the same type of work in our German mother tongue’).
The sacred concertos of 1647 were published thirty years after Schütz had taken up his post as Kapellmeister in Dresden. Unfortunately these same thirty years were ravaged by the single most devastating event of the century. And though the war initially seemed not to affect Dresden, the ensuing alliance of the Saxons with the Swedes had catastrophic results, to the extent of inducing Schütz to spend much of the 1640s in Wolfenbüttel and then Copenhagen. And it was in Copenhagen in 1644, before leaving Denmark, that he donated the manuscript of these Symphoniae Sacrae to King Christian IV, though in fact they were published three years later, certainly in a further perfected form. In any case the gestation of the collection would appear to have been much longer than those three years, since the twelfth concerto – the superb German Nunc dimittis for solo bass, composed for the funeral of his friend and colleague Cristoph Cornett – dates to 1635.

The economic constraints that the German musical chapels experienced at that distressing historical moment can be counted among the reasons that prompted Schütz to shift his interests from the polychoral idiom of the Psalmen Davids to the sacred music of more limited scoring that engaged his attention after 1619. Only in 1650, after the end of the war, did he once again pay tribute to the polychoral tradition in Part Three of the Symphoniae Sacrae, though this time it was blended in a masterly way with the finest achievements of the modern concertato style.

When publishing this second collection of sacred concertos with instruments, Schütz does not conceal his concern that their compliance with the very latest north Italian style made them difficult to perform, for the German musicians of his day were still largely unaccustomed to reading black notes, playing the violin in a cantabile, vocally expressive manner or employing the Monteverdian stile concitato, of which he here provides admirable instances in a sacred context. Monteverdi is also quoted as the model for concerto No.16, ‘Es steh Gott auf’, with its introductory fanfare based on the scherzo musicale ‘Armato il cor’, while the following splendid ciaconna looks to the melodic material of another scherzo, ‘Zefiro torna’.

It is worth drawing the modern listener’s attention to the extraordinary variegated musical figures used by Schütz in these pieces, either to underline the meaning of the words set or as a means of rhetorically rendering an image, state of mind or concept. Exemplary in this respect is his systematic recourse to such figures in the marvellous Psalm 8 (No.3, ‘Herr, unser Herrscher’) not only to describe words like ‘babes, moon and stars, crown’, but even to imitate the movements of the ‘fishes of the sea’ or the ‘fowl of the air that takes flight’. Finally, at the start and close of this same piece, praise for the excellence of God’s name is rendered with affecting music of artless naivety: a genuine canzonetta of childlike poignancy.

In No.20, ‘Zweierlei bitte ich’, a dramatic effect of riveting emotional force is produced when the concept of dying is rendered at the words ‘denn ich sterbe’. The dwindling of life is illustrated by a slow chromatic passage of durezze e ligature (dissonances and suspensions) in a descending progression, concluding with a very long note followed by a very short one: a masterly representation of the final breath of a man invoking God.
Again one could cite diverse examples that offer a consummate display of musical rhetoric that is never an end in itself: the destructive flashes of No.21, ‘Herr, neige deine Himmel’, the rising and setting of the sun in the following piece; the mercy of God again in the Magnificat with its affecting accented ninths and the intimistic accompaniment of the viols; or the rendering of the concept of humility in the same piece, with its distinctive scoring featuring two flautini, the instruments played by the meek...

In conclusion these concertos, like the previous Latin works, show a talent for deploying harmony and an experimental taste for dissonance that were both remarkable and unequalled in the whole literature of 17th-century vocal music. In this way Schütz – like Bach (another Thuringian Kapellmeister of Lutheran faith) a century later, though this time in an even more exhaustive, wide-ranging way – brought to completion and perfection the great Italian Catholic tradition in which both had been trained.

**Weihnachtshistorie**

After his retirement from directing the musical chapel of Dresden, Schütz spent most of his time in Weissenfels. Nonetheless, he still maintained relations with the Italophile court of his late master’s son, Johann Georg II, who had in the meantime appointed as Capellmeister not only his protégé Vincenzo Albrici (mentioned above), but also two other Italians, Marco Giuseppe Peranda and the sopranist Angelini Bontempi.

Around 1660 the aged former director of music, on the express desire of the Elector, made a musical setting of a collation of evangelical texts centred on the birth of Jesus (from Saints Luke and Matthew). In this way he essentially revived a manner of celebrating Christmas in music formerly conceived by his two predecessors at Dresden, Antonio Scandello and Rogier Michael (from whose Empfängnis unseres Herren Jesu Christi of 1602 much of Schütz’s text is drawn).

The work consists in the alternation of recitatives (setting the words of the evangelist) and intermedia according to the ‘modern’ practice (genuine spiritual concertos with instruments, based on the direct speech of the various biblical characters), and concludes with a final ensemble of thanksgiving.

Schütz created here a *stylo recitativo* that for the first time merged the *redender Stil* of liturgical origin (in the fifth mode, the *tonus lascivus*) and recitative monody with continuo accompaniment. In performing these Evangelical narratives Schütz recommends following the rhythm of word and phrase and not relying on the notation and the tempo of the bar (‘without any need of the measure of the hand’); in other words, as if it were a plainchant tenor sung by the celebrant or lector without any organ accompaniment (as, for example, in Schütz’s Passions). In spite of the apparent rigor of the speech rhythms and the liturgical Lesung, the sheer force of Schütz’s invention once again displays a complete mastery of the word and of its most recondite nuances.
The version of the recitatives used in this recording follows the edition of 1664, which was authorized (though not supervised) by the composer, and which lacks all the concerti con l’organo. In fact the genesis and history of the sources of the Weihnachtshistorie is indeed a rather complex issue. But what is interesting is that none of the different versions that can be used to reconstruct the work as Schütz described it in the preface of the 1664 edition contain the introductory Eingang (à 9), for which only the verbal text and continuo line survive. For this recording we decided not to offer an improbable historical reconstruction of the opening piece ‘in the style’ of Schütz: after all, though the master himself contemplated the possibility that every Capellmeister could compose and perform the various intermedia (for which he never published the vocal and instrumental parts) according to his taste, this suggestions was clearly addressed to contemporaries and not to musicians working three and a half centuries later...

In the series of intermedia Schütz carries to the highest degree that rhetoric approach to instrumentation that we referred to earlier. And again, it was a legacy of that rich, typically Venetian, late-Renaissance sense of musical colour. So the cornetts are here the royal prerogative of Herod; the flautini (the pastoral instruments par excellence) combine with the shepherds in the field; the trombones represent the pompous ceremonial of the high priests; the angel is coupled with the violette to bear the glad tidings, to the rocking rhythm of Jesus’s cradle (the delightful berceuse-theme of the continuo); and finally, the celestial host is a choir of six vocal parts and two violins, providing a fitting symbol of this ethereal presence.

In the Weihnachtshistorie (which is among Schütz’s most admired works in our own day) the composer, by then almost eighty years old, made a significant step in the direction of genuine drama in music and created a sort of oratorio, with the verbal text duly served by a full complement of vocal and instrumental means. This, as it turned out, was a path that was amply developed in the later music written for the liturgy of the Lutheran churches.

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One of the finest portraits of Heinrich Schütz, the man and the artist, is that given to us by Günter Grass. In *Das Treffen in Telgte* (The Meeting at Telgte) this flamboyant Danzig-born writer conjures up an imaginary 17th-century encounter of poets and intellectuals coming from every corner of the then fragmented Germany. Eagerly anticipating the Peace of Westphalia, and each bursting with contradictions and contrasts, they come together to discuss the fate of the German language and poetry. In his customary picaresque fashion Grass moves round the literary debates, banquets and soirées of these learned and quarrelsome poets of the German baroque. The narrative is almost suspended, however, at the point where the Kapellmeister of the electoral court of Saxony bursts into the story, which then assumes a more elevated and majestic tone.

‘Schütz was a man who possessed a distant authority and severe grandeur that no one […] succeeded in grasping’. ‘No matter how incontestable his conception of God and no matter how great his devotion to his prince, in spite of repeated invitations from Denmark, Schütz had remained accountable only to his own aspirations. Never, not even in his minor products, had he satisfied the norm of the average Protestant expectations. As regards the court music for his electoral prince and for Christian the Dane, he had touched only what was strictly necessary. Although always active – as if he were in the flower of his years – he refused all tasks that smacked of routine administration. If the publishers of his works demanded supplements to satisfy ecclesiastical usage, such as the notation of an additional continuo part, Schütz deplored the additions in all his prefaces and warned against their use: at most, thoroughbass could be an extreme aid, to be resorted to only rarely. Given that no one more than he gave emphasis to the word, and given that the music should exclusively serve the word, he set out to clarify it, to underline its gestures and to plunge it, expand it and elevate it into every abyss, immensity and summit. Schütz was strict with words and kept either to the traditional Latin liturgy or to the letter of Luther’s Bible. Regarding the production of the contemporary poets, he had hitherto scorned it in his main output, that of sacred music, the exceptions being Becker’ Psalter and a few texts by the young Opitz. The German poets had had nothing to say to him, no matter how ardentely he had asserted his craving for texts.’

In fact, the foundations of *Maestro Sagittario*’s style and poetics were utterly Italian. It was at the school of Giovanni Gabrieli, in the free and cosmopolitan Venetian Republic, and on the many Sundays spent among the opulent colonnades of St Mark’s, that the young Lutheran (who had first grown up at a court professing Calvinism) heard from the organist of that glorious church the astonishing secrets of strongly contrasting sonorities and a boldness of composition unknown to one born north of the Alps. By the time of his return from Italy he was ‘gifted with such skill as to be able to give sound to both the lamentation and joy of men: to their dumb-struck trembling and to their anger, to their weary watchfulness and to their terrified sleep, to their anxiety over death and to their fear of God, even to His praise and His goodness. All of this, almost always, using only the true words of Scripture. And in works without number. […]’
These creations were rigorous and delicate, simple and artistic at the same time. So in most cases they had proved too difficult for the ordinary church singer and for the scantly trained chorister’.

Grass goes on: ‘he had done nothing but follow what Giovanni Gabrieli had taught him. Most singular, if not a touch insipid, was the rather childish manner in which this man, who was so austere in all matters, showed a ring on his left hand to everyone seated at table: it had been left to him as a sign of friendship by Giovanni Gabrieli, shortly before the latter’s death. Concerning the difficult polyphony mentioned by Albert he dismissed the issue in a short sentence: art required that skill when it followed the pure word of God.’ Later on, in connection with his search for German poetical texts that could suit his musical genius, Schütz intervened during a stormy literary debate and lamented the lack of a poetic art of the madrigal in the German language: ‘This art, as he knew to his pain, was unknown in Germany to almost all poets. How fortunate was Monteverdi, for whom Guarini had written delightful fragments, as had MariNo. He duly advised the young man to concern himself with the German madrigal, as poor Opitz had once tried to do, for in that way he could provide him with booklets of similar charm. Free verse of that type, i.e. verse that were not boxed into strophes, could be happy, mournful, combative, even jokingly devoid of sense and dedicated to folly, provided that it was sustained by human breath and left space for the music.’

This succinct and pungent definition of the qualities of madrigal poetry is surely a fitting introduction to young Sagittarius’s opus primum, issued in Venice in 1611 and the first efforts the composer deemed worthy of print. As the end result of his intense study under the great Venetian organist, it was therefore born under the watchful gaze of the master himself. Like Schütz, a number of other students from the north (Lutherans like him) – Melchior Borchgrevinck, Hans Brachrogge, Mogens Pederson, Johannes Grabbe and Christoph Clemsee – also concluded their apprenticeship under Gabrieli with the publication of a set of madrigals in Venice.

A question worth asking, therefore, is why a composer who was himself none too prolific in madrigals composition – and who was much better known for his vast skill in mastering the ever-changing spatial distributions of large masses of sound – should encourage his students to compose madrigals in the strict style, without continuo: a style that was, moreover, shortly to become largely obsolete. One answer could lie in the statement made by Domenico Mazzocchi in the dedication of his own madrigals of 1638: ‘the most ingenious study that music has […] is that of madrigals’. Another answer is given by the aged Sagittarius himself, in the preface to his grandiose collection of German motets Musicalia ad Chorum sacrum, das ist Geistliche Chor-Music Op. XI of 1648. Here he laments that ever since the new style of concerted composition using continuo had spread from Italy to Germany – a style of which he himself had been the greatest German exponent (as is also demonstrated, among his many other masterpieces, by the twenty-four short concerti spirituali of 1636 recorded here, about which more below) – the study of counterpoint had been increasingly neglected: ‘in the most difficult study of counterpoint no one could undertake correctly and treat fittingly any other type of composition, if first he is not sufficiently practised in the style without continuo, and has not furnished himself with the necessary requisites of regulated composition – which are (among other things): the arrangements of the modes; simple imitations, mixed and inverse; double counterpoint; the diversity of the various musical styles; the melodic conduct of the individual voices; the connection of subjects; etc.; of which the erudite theorists write at length and in which the students of counterpoint in schola pratica are instructed in the flesh: without which an expert composer does not accomplish a true composition (though it might sound like celestial harmony to ears scantly trained to music), or it will be worth no more than an
empty nutshell. [...] I therefore remind students, especially young German composers, that before progressing towards the concertante style they should crack this hard nut with their own teeth, to find in it the sweet kernel and the true foundation of good counterpoint, and should wish to make their first efforts there. Besides, also in Italy, the true and best school of music (where in my youth I lay the foundations of my own career) it is customary for beginners to start with the composition of a short work, either sacred or secular, without continuo: as they probably still do today.’

The madrigal has a text that is always variable and, unlike other types of composition and thanks to its free poetic structure, it stimulates the composer to engage in an uncodifiable, unpredictable and original ‘connection of subjects’ and arrangement of the ‘affects’, in pieces that can be either short or long. Hence the madrigal is seen as a genuine source of musical language; as a school teaching one the ‘discourse’ of music; as a potential summa of every form of counterpoint and experimentation in harmonic possibilities. Also featured in the madrigal are: the phrase-by-phrase exposition, viewed as a source of implicit situations of concertato and contrast; the distribution of the voices, seen as preliminary experiments in polychorality; the prominence of ‘figurative’ techniques, developed through dilatations, suspensions or contractions of the melodic cells; and the search for ‘affects’ through harmonic situations (imitative, structural or tonal) or even through the use of the most disparate vocal ranges.

In this sense the Primo libro de Madrigali di Henrico Sagittario Alemanno reflects a compositional practice that complies with the late practice of the madrigal from Cipriano de Rore, through Wert and Marenzio (a definite model for certain musical and poetic situations in this set), right up until Monteverdi. Although some musicologists complain of a certain absence of an original approach in these pieces, these works by the young Thuringian show no lack of expertise and indeed display qualities of supreme beauty and lyrical charm. In fact it is astonishing that, after only two years of intense musical study, the 26-year-old Schütz should have already thoroughly mastered the wide range of different procedures. In these 19 works, which are incidentally unusually long when compared to most contemporary madrigals, he displays a harmonic boldness and compositional freedom that confidently dominate the strict rules of contrapuntal conduct. In some respects these are the pieces that ‘dare’ most among the innumerable works of the future Kapellmeister.

The texts of the madrigals are almost all by two great poets much in vogue among the composers of his day: six draw on lines from Giovan Battista Guarini’s Il Pastor fido, ten on the production of the Neapolitan poet Giambattista Marino (while two further texts, by Alessandro Aligeri and Alessandro Gatti, are also clearly Marinistic in style). The words of the last piece, the only work for eight voices and two choirs, could even have been written by Schütz himself, for it conclusively celebrates the ‘great’ Maurice of Kassel, who had provided financial support during his period of study in Venice. The differences between the two main poetic sources are duly matched by corresponding differences in expressive and emotional approach. On the one hand, we are offered the lyrical sadness of abandoned lovers, the tearful longing for death and the inconsolable laments of Guarini’s pastoral play (with Schütz drawing on the dialogues, instead of the choruses, as other madrigalists frequently did); on the other, we find the ‘conceptual’ images of the word-magician Marino, whose artifices, rich metaphors and word-play translate into elegance, vivacity and even irony, while the freshness of the musical discourse is constantly renewed.
Right from his publishing debut Schütz shows that he is ‘not only an architect of sounds, but also knows how to animate his music with all the movements of his heart and make all his visions shine out’ (André Pirro). He never tires of depicting new figures and portraying the most disparate affects, resorting to the wide range of rhetorical-musical instruments at his command. Thus, for example, to translate the words *el bel volto divino* in No.12 he resorts to an ascending run of notes that aptly match the divine beauty of the woman’s face; while his setting of *morte mia* in No.14 could find no more fitting auditory image than the descending leap of a ninth, when the mood of lyrical enchantment is interrupted by a sudden intrusion of acute drama. In other cases we note a contamination of styles that does not strictly comply with the methods of polyphony, like the start of *Dunque addio, care selve*, where the soprano engages in an almost operatic solo display sustained by discreet chordal accompaniment in the other voices; or the finale of No.10, where the contrast between Love and War even evokes the military trumpet flourishes of *gagliardo Marte*.

Schütz’s recourse to the most varied procedures (which cannot here be discussed at length) – to render not only the immediately descriptive meaning of the text, but also its more deeply psychological significance – achieves results of the very highest artistic order in the following published work in the ‘a cappella’ style: the *opus quartum* printed in Freiberg in 1625, containing forty (like the composer’s age at the time of going to press) *Cantiones sacrae* for four voices with organ. The methods learned from secular music are here applied to a series of texts significantly designed for intimate and private devotion, almost all collected in a booklet of 1571 compiled by Andreas Musculus and in a slightly later one of Martin Moller. The texts were drawn from meditations then believed to be by St Augustine (but which today we know to have been by church fathers of a much later period, including Bernard of Clairvaux and Anselm of Canterbury), from both the Old and New Testaments – including the beloved Psalter and the Song of Songs (the two musical settings of which are among the highlights of the set; the second, where the canonic words *soror mea sponsa* are replaced by *filia charissima*, may have been written *in memoriam* of the composer’s young daughter) – and from the responsory of the Catholic Office of the Dead. By his use of Latin, for the first time in one of his publications, Schütz employed the international language that united European Christendom (as well as often being the language of communication between Lutherans of different nationalities) and hence potentially addressed Christians of every faith. The dedicatee of this *opus ecclesiasticum primum* is in fact an imperial counsellor, the Catholic prince Johann Ulrich von Eggenberg, who some time before the publication of the pieces had had occasion to appreciate the composer’s genius during a visit to Saxony accompanying Ferdinand of Habsburg. Anyway, Schütz repaid the compliment by dedicating the work which, among all of the master’s masterpieces, is closest to my own heart. Here the polyphony touches heights of absolute maturity, becoming an expressive instrument that guarantees the subtle, yet heartfelt, communication of every textual affect. The youthful exuberance of the Venetian madrigals is here entirely absorbed, and blends with Schütz’s mature brand of hypersensitive (and often dramatic) mysticism. In musical terms it was the counterpart of that *schola pietatis* that aimed to strengthen the individual’s faith: a theme that was beginning to occupy a central place in the reflections of contemporary theologians, both Catholics (particularly the Jesuits) and Protestants (who would shortly generate an authentic form of Pietism).
The four-part counterpoint of these Cantiones – which lends itself equally well to a private chapel’s reduced forces and domestic listening as Hausmusik – is superlative and unmatched in the sacred vocal works of that century: perhaps only the spiritual madrigals ‘alla maniera italiana’ of Israels Brümlein by his friend Johann Hermann Schein, the Thomaskantor in Leipzig, is equally inspired and in sympathy with the sensibility of these works.

By this date (some fourteen years later) the qualities noticed in the earlier madrigals had deepened spiritually and become imbued with typical characteristic of Lutheran pro se theology. This is particularly noticeable in the pieces setting non-Biblical mystical texts. Not infrequently the ego of the Christian/Schütz bursts through and personally engages with the dramatic events of the Passion, here portrayed by a series of splendid madrigalisms and harmonic-contrapuntal conduct of great boldness. Among the innumerable examples, it is worth noticing the astonishing finale to Ad Dominum cum tribularer clamavi (where the lingua dolosa deceives the listener’s harmonic expectations even in the concluding cadence) or the sweet/bitter antithesis at the end of Ego enim inique egi, or even the archaic-sounding nocturnal atmosphere of the opening of the eleventh Cantio. One particular figure would seem to be associated with the very name of the composer Sagittarius. We find it in the 20th piece accompanying the word sagittae and it reappears in other pieces in both similar and contrary motion, wherever the word ego or a verb/pronoun in the first person singular is set to music, thereby stressing the strong subjectivity of the set. In Cantio XXXI another interesting feature is the chaconne bass, used both at the start of the piece and subsequently throughout in the lowest voice, each time on different degrees. Schütz was no doubt well aware of this dance’s lascivious origins and of the widely held belief that it aroused unbridled sexual instincts. Here, therefore, it is used to create a sense of intoxication, imbued with erotic – and typically 17th-century – sacred-profane ambiguities that strongly suggest mystic orgasms... (Veni, rogo in cor meum et ab ubertate voluptatis tuae inebria illud... Veni ad me ut videam te...).

Certain pieces, on the composer’s own admission (partim namque veterem partim namque novam canendi rationem sapiunt), are written in the style then in vogue of the concerto spirituale, hence sustained by a genuine continuo part, which at times provides the foundation for passages that are either strictly monodic or for paired voices. And so, while most of the set concentrates on exploring the possibilities offered by the stricter madrigal style without continuo, Cantiones XXIX and XXXII–XXXV offer a genre that Schütz had not yet tackled in his printed editions (if we except the influences of the concertante style in his Historia Resurrectionis Op.3).

This was a genre that Schütz exhaustively explored in the collection that was to prove the most popular with his own contemporaries: the first book of Kleine geistliche Concerte (printed in Leipzig in 1636), which also contains a version in German of the thirty-second Cantio (Concerto XXII). Once again the stylistic model is Italian, this time drawing on the new ‘invention’ of Ludovico da Viadana, whose Cento Concerti ecclesiastici spread widely to Germany, where they encouraged a similar production – in which again Schein (Opella nova, Parts I and II) showed the closest kinship to Schütz. Like Viadana, Schütz conceived this genre as one suited to singing galleries without large resources. And like Viadana, he gives the organist a bass part on which to extemporize the harmony, which according to the Italian’s original intentions was to compensate for the frequent absence of singers.
A further Italian feature is the treatment of the affects, here applied to the new concertante style. Thanks to monody, the methods of the modern madrigal and opera are effectively channelled into the concerto da chiesa, which can thus be viewed as a genuine sermon in sound, resorting to all the subtleties of the ars oratoria (and hence of musical rhetoric). The texts are again drawn from Old and New Testament passages (mainly from the Psalter) as well as from the verses of Protestant hymns. And again we find two texts from Moller’s book, translated in German, (including the German version of the thirty-second Cantio). The last concerto, the only one for five voices, is a reworking of the Aria de vitae fugacitate written in 1625 on the death of his sister-in-law Anna Maria Wildeck using lines from the Kirchengesang Ich hab mein Sach Gott heimgestellt.

Rhetorical power, the common denominator of this collection, is already well on display in the very first piece: Psalm 70 for soprano solo, written expressly in stylo oratorio. In this regard it is worth remembering the words of the contemporary Praetorius: ‘just as the goal of the orator is not only that of holding an oration using fair and fitting words and figures, but also that of correctly pronouncing the movement of the affects, in which the voice is either high or low, loud or soft, variedly used throughout its range, in the same way the aim of a musician is not only singing but above all singing pleasantly and artistically, whereby the heart of the listener and his affects are moved and the singing achieves its ultimate aim with the most suitable means. Hence a singer must sing not only with a fine voice but also with good understanding, so that his interpretation shows a complete link between voice and art’. As for Christoph Bernhard, Schütz’s favourite pupil, this is how he views the new continuo-based monodic style and hence also the concerto: ‘until the present day music has progressed by means of a great number of figures but above all thanks to the increasingly perfected invention of the recitative style, to the extent that music can now be compared to a species of rhetoric’.

Once again, a very wide range of expressive approaches is put on display, though here it is concentrated within the relative brevity of these ‘kleine’ concertos. The impassioned theatricality of the four solo pieces is duly reinforced when Schütz adds a second voice for a sequence of marvellous duets. An exemplary case of musical rhetoric is the nineteenth concerto. In this piece the prophetic verse, which is reported without variants in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, is fittingly rendered by the majestic use of three bass voices (the three Evangelists) who utter Christ’s words with sumptuous grandeur. Conversely, the start of Nun komm’ der Heiden Heiland betrays the popular origins of the Advent tune (the Ambrosian Veni Redemptor gentium) by suggesting the dancing manner of a Teutonic or Gothic popular song, before continuing as a fine fantasia on the chorale melody. The last piece, which is anything but ‘short’, consists of eighteen partitas, each on a strophe of the same chorale Ich hab mein Sach Gott heimgestellt. Although the ostinato bass underlying the Lied (on which the variations unfold) is Italian in origin, this work is nonetheless that which retains the most marked Germanic and Protestant flavour, above all thanks to the lines of Johann Leon.
To conclude, the few words used by Johann Mattheson (1740) to describe Heinrich Schütz: ‘The father of musicians, to whom the Germans – who could then aim as high as, if not higher than, the Italians – were indebted’. The characteristic national bias of the Hamburg-based musical scholar partly obscures, however, the historical truth of Schütz’s development. For while Schütz certainly taught the Germans the eloquence of music and its potential for depth and expression, at the same time he absorbed them through symbiosis with the music of Italy. With him German music was elevated as never before, inaugurating a glorious season that gave the musical world an endless series of geniuses, right up until our own day. In the following period, it fell to Bach – for his historical importance and for the musical genres he treated – to represent the quintessence of Italian music and bring it to its ultimate fulfilment. Of this debt and symbiosis the Leipzig poet Rivinus was already aware when, in 1636, he appended this fine distich to the first edition of the *Kleine geistliche Concerte*: *Prae reliquis Italae palmaris adorea Musae Parta; sed est major Italo-Teutonicae*. (More than the others, to the Italic muse the palm of victory is due; but the greater is due to the Italo-Teutonic.)

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The third part of this edition of Schütz recordings is made up of works on the Passion and Resurrection of Christ, with the exception of the dialogue of the Pharisee and the Publican. The oeuvre of Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672), Kapellmeister at the court of the prince-elector of Saxony, has survived only in part. In all likelihood all the compositions that his bequest contained in the form of autograph manuscripts that had been neither printed nor circulated in copies went up in flames in 1790 in the musical archives of court of Dresden, when the city, besieged by the Prussians during the Seven Years War, suffered damage of proportions only surpassed in 1945, the year of the destruction of Dresden.

In spite of these serious losses, Schütz’s complete works are both rich and varied, and a constant stimulus to musical and academic study. In the following presentation of the works performed, various recent findings are published, the fruit of studies of the last two or three decades. Many details may surprise those familiar with the previous literature on Schütz, but they nonetheless deserve to be considered, since every new dating and every consideration on individual works is based on primary sources: on archival information and paper analysis, but also on facts relating to Schütz’s biography, on analyses of works themselves and on a knowledge of the 17th-century historical performance practice.

The three Passions according to the evangelists Matthew, Luke and John were composed after 1662 in substitution of earlier Passions by Schütz’s predecessor as court Kapellmeister, Rogier Michael (c.1550–1623), works that were periodically performed in Lent during the court liturgy in Dresden. The earliest evidence of a performance of the Lukaspassion dates to 1663; the other two Passions followed in 1665 and 1666. Together with the Markuspassion of the Dresden court Kapellmeister Marco Gioseppe Peranda (c.1625–1675), composed in 1668, Schütz’s three Passions are to be found in a volume preserved in Leipzig, drawn up around 1697 by the future Kreuzkantor of Dresden Johann Zacharias Grundig (1669–1720). In this large and elegantly scripted volume only the Matthäuspassion carries the name of the composer Schütz; all the others are anonymous. From an earlier draft of the Johannes Passion preserved in Wolfenbüttel, however, we learn that it is indeed by Schütz, while the Dresden court diaries attest him as composer also of the Lukaspassion. However, the whole of the Lukaspassion and the final chorus of the Matthäuspassion pose new questions.

Ever since the time of the Reform all the Passions in German belong to the liturgical genre of Historiae; in other words they were ‘Biblical tales’, above all about the New Testament, set to music as readings of the Gospel and performed at suitable moments during the liturgical services of the Lutheran electoral court. There are also numerous Historiae by Schütz and other composers for the feasts of Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, St John Baptist and other religious festivities. All these Historiae in German were composed in Lutheran central Germany from the mid 16th century. The Passions of Schütz belong to this Protestant tradition of the Historiae and are very late instances of the genre of the Passione responsoriale, in which the account of the evangelists and the direct dialogue of the individual characters are sung by a single unaccompanied voice, while the beginning and end of the Passion (Exordium and Conclusio), as also the direct discourse of the groups (‘the people’, ‘the High Priests’, ‘the Disciples’), are composed for several voices as Turbae.
While the recitative parts of the pre-Schütz responsorial Passions were set to the Gregorian recitation tone (as can still be seen in our *Lukaspassion*), in the *Johannes Passion* and *Matthäuspassion* the recitatives differ and are sung by a single unaccompanied voice with freely-invented melody and rhythm. During Lent the organ and all the instruments were expected to remain silent during the liturgical rites at court. Thus developed an original, and remarkable, union of early Gregorian recitation and new monophonic declamation.

David Conrad's engraving of 1676, portraying Schütz at the head of the court Kantorei at the centre of the chapel in the castle of Dresden, precisely illustrates the musical situation of the Passions, also with respect to the forces required. There are no children's voices; only men sing. This also explains why the range of the motet-like *Turbae* is somewhat low. The last of Schütz's Passions is that according to St Matthew of 1666, the most elaborate of all. Just as the *Turbae* of the *Lukaspassion* present in part a harmonic-compositional structure that is very unusual for Schütz, in the same way the final chorus of the *Matthäuspassion* substantially resembles the modern-Italian choral style of Peranda, thereby suggesting that their attribution to Schütz could be disputed and the piece ascribed to the Italian instead. But this matter requires further study. One thing remains certain: Schütz's Passions are liturgical readings of great refinement that deserved to be experienced as such; they cannot be considered as musical works with an independent life of their own.

The exact positioning within the order of the liturgy of another piece of Passion music, the *Sieben Worte unsers Erlösers und Seligmachers Jesu Christi*, is not known, since it was drawn up around 1662, not for the court of Dresden (given that it is Passion music with instruments!), but in all likelihood for the court of the Margrave Christian Ernst von Brandenburg-Bayreuth. Perhaps it was not meant for liturgical use, which means that it was music for private court devotion. Both the narrative parts and the dialogical parts, in which the seven words of Christ on the cross are included, are written in the style of opera recitative that was modern for Schütz and fully developed in the *Weihnachtshistorie*, in the two versions of 1660 and of 1664. The instrumental parts, which are not specified, give the best effect when performed by sweet-sounding strings. The Symphonia played after the opening choral movement and before the final one is one of the rare surviving instrumental pieces of Schütz. The introductory movement and the concluding one are composed to two strophes of the Passion Lied *Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund*, elaborated by the Leipzig pastor Vincenz Schmuck. As in other cases, Schütz used only the text, but not the melody of the Protestant song.

The order and formulation of Christ’s last words on the cross accord with the seven sermons given on the seven last words, and drawn up in Leipzig in 1624, by the Oberhofprediger (higher court preacher) of Dresden, Matthias Hoe von Hoenegg *Die heilige Creutz Sieben etc.* It is notable that in Schütz’s work Christ’s words are accompanied by two obbligato string instruments, a practice of which traces still survive in the 18th century. Overall the *Sieben Worte* are characterized, like many other works by Schütz, by the prominence of the declamation of the word and by melodic invention closely associated with textual rhetoric. It is a music that goes direct to the heart.

The *Historia der fröhlichen und siegreichen Auferstehung unsers einigen Erlösers und Seligmachers Jesu Christi* of Heinrich Schütz was printed in Dresden in 1623, eight years after Schütz’s entry into service as ‘Organist und Director der Musica’ in 1615 and about six years after his appointment as court Kapellmeister in 1617, when Michael Praetorius definitively declined the invitation of the prince-elector of Saxony to this post.
This is Schütz’s first work belonging to the compositional tradition of the Historiae. As in the case of the Passions and the Weihnachtshistorie, the Osterhistorie was created to substitute a preceding Historia on the Resurrection of Christ: this time the Auferstehungshistorie of Antonio Scandello (1517–1580), born in Bergamo, cornettist of the Dresden court chapel and, as from 1568, electoral Kapellmeister. His Historia was drawn up before 1573 and in turn had substituted a much simpler Osterhistorie by Jacobus Haupt, singer at the Dresden chapel.

The Historiae of the Resurrection in general have no model in the Catholic tradition, given that they are a post-Lutheran genre that had arisen in Dresden. Certain details show resemblances between Schütz’s work and Scandello’s Historia: the basic text, a collation of all four Gospels by Johann Bugenhagen, is the same. The lesson tone on which the Evangelist sings the Easter narration is the Osterton, which appears for the first time with Jacobus Haupt and was later reused in the two successive Dresden Historiae. In Scandello’s Historia, an a cappella work, the direct speech of the Personae was assigned to variable forces, according to rank and importance. So the words of Christ are for four voices! This is also reflected in Schütz’s work: the words of Christ, Mary Magdalene and the angel in the tomb are for two voices, of which one can be performed by instruments ad libitum. While Scandello’s work is overall a solemn setting of the Gospel of high artistic quality, the genre is further exalted by Schütz: instruments are added, those typical of basso continuo like the organ, the lute, etc. They can be substituted, however, by a chorus of viols, which makes the work particularly appealing. The choruses that frame the work, Die Auferstehung unsers Herren Jesu Christi etc. and the Beschluss are intended for a greater number of voices: the beginning is for six voices and the final Gott sei Dank is for two choruses of four voices each, in which a ninth voice is introduced as the Vox Evangelistae singing the ‘Victoria’ in fanfare style.

Unlike many other Easter pieces of the late 17th and 18th centuries, which set the Easter jubilation with trumpets and timpani, Schütz’s work is prompted by intimate joy and by the fact that the mystery of the miracle of the Resurrection is reflected and set to music in an extremely spiritual way. Regarding the liturgical service, Schütz’s Historia was sung at the Vespers of the first day of Easter and performed in the court church, so it would appear, uninterruptedly from 1623 to 1675. It was subsequently replaced by Easter Historiae of younger musicians of the Dresden chapel (Johann Müller, Johann Wilhelm Furchheim and Nikolaus Adam Strungk).

The subject of the Dialogo per la Pascua, probably written down around the time of the gestation of the Auferstehungshistorie, is Christ’s conversation with Mary of Magdala, according to John 20, 13,15–17 ‘Weib, was weinest du…’ – ‘Sie haben meinen Herren weggenommen…’
Though sober and expressive in appearance, the work is transmitted in a somewhat complicated fashion. The score of the first part, the dialogue proper, is found in the Landesbibliothek of Kassel. It was drawn up by Johann Klemm, Schütz’s pupil and an organist at the Dresden court. Schütz himself wrote only the texts. However, this version, authorized by Schütz, is not the original one, which was most likely composed for five voices, two for Mary Magdalene, and three for Christ. This is attested by three other sources in which we find the indications ‘a 5’ and ‘a 5 et 10’. The second part of the dialogue is transmitted only as a continuo part and, judging from an old inventory entry, could have been a movement for double choir, each of five voices, to the text of the Easter Lied Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ, daß du vom Tod entstanden bist. The opera contains the same typology of dialogue as other Dialogues by Schütz, such as the Ave Maria gratia plena SWV 333 and 334, and also Es gingen zweene Menschen hinauf in den Tempel SWV 444, about which more below. As in the Auferstehungshistorie the Easter news is again represented in a very spiritual way in the Dialogo per la Pascua. We find durezze e ligature (dissonances and suspensions), along with chromatic shiftings (‘Maria’) illuminating the significance of this encounter on Easter morning. The motivic resemblance to the Osterhistorie is plain, though the piece is an independent dialogue.

Schütz’s Dialogue of the Pharisee and the Publican, Es gingen zweene Menschen hinauf in den Tempel (Luca 18, 10-14), is also in two parts: the dialogue itself and a final choral movement. The direct speech of the two exponents of hypocrisy and sincere piety is introduced by a short narrative text sung by two sopranos. All four voices come together in the second part in a moralizing finale composed in the motet style, with which Christ concludes his parable ‘Ich sage euch: dieser ging hinab gerechtfertigt…’. This short scene in dialogue was most likely composed and performed as liturgical music for the corresponding reading of the Gospel – but it is not known when. What is certain is that the work is one of the compositions that Schütz had sent in the 1630s from Dresden to Landgrave Wilhelm V of Hessen-Kassel on the latter’s request. In that case it was probably written before or around 1630.

Although Schütz never wrote an opera – Dafne and Orpheus und Euridice were pieces for the theatre with musical intermezzos – his works in dialogue form feature a high degree of profound drama. This applies both to the Historiae and to the works defined as ‘dialogues’. And all stand out for a sense of musical and stylistic expression to which we are still receptive today.

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Compact Discs 11–14
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At a certain point singing became difficult in Germany. In Dresden the Elector’s chapel was in ruins, decimated by the War and the performance of part-singing became a real problem. It is to this calamitous period that the works assembled here belong. And yet in this very simplicity and reduction to essentials we find an impressive expressive force. And it is even more surprising that these pained texts of Lutheran mysticism emerge as pages of visionary theatrical force. Schütz wrote them for a musical Chapel ravaged by war, as indeed was that of the Elector of Dresden...

In 1636 Heinrich Schütz suffered a fresh loss in his private life. This was the death of the Prince of Gera-Reuss (the territory in which the composer was born) Heinrich Posthumus von Reuss – a man who had been deeply attached to the composer and had always admired his work. This cultured nobleman knew how to enjoy the delights of life and (true to the spirit of his age) had equal familiarity with death, to the extent that he planned his own funeral ceremony in the minutest of details. Thus were born Schütz’s famous Musikalische Exequien Op.7. Though most likely performed on 4 February of that year, they had evidently already been planned long before the Prince’s demise and, doubtless, also partly rehearsed in secret before the composer to assure the demanding patron’s approval and give him an idea of how his own obsequies would be musically celebrated. The Thuringian Prince personally chose the Biblical and liturgical texts to be engraved on his own coffin (and set to music with sublime mastery), and duly complied with the relevant Lutheran burial rites: the church service for the Dead and the subsequent translation of the body to the tomb for burial.

The first piece consists of a sort of paraphrase of the Latin Kyrie-Gloria Missa used in the German burial liturgy (in the ninth mode transposed at the lower fourth). The Kyrie is in the form of a free Kyrie-Tropus in which the Eleyson becomes ‘erbarm Dich über uns’. In the pseudo-Gloria (again a Tropus) the eight strophes of German songs that intersperse the Biblical verses display a profound liturgical and theological sensibility that fully justifies the name Missa for this great opening piece built on the alternation of concertante sections and capellae (both for 6 voices) corresponding, as already mentioned, to the Biblical verses and chorale strophes that von Reuss had engraved on his coffin.

The motet for double choir that follows, Herr, wenn ich nur Dich habe, sets the text chosen by Heinrich Posthumus for the funeral sermon, while the last piece is based on the Song of Simeon (the German Nunc dimittis) combined to the words added by Schütz and sung by a trio, positioned at a distance from the Chorus ad organum, consisting of the Blessed Soul in Heaven (von Reuss himself) and the two Seraphim (Selig sind die Toten). For these effects of overwhelming musical refinement Schütz probably found inspiration in the passage of Luke 16: 22, in turn based on Psalm 91: 12.
The work displays an architectural skill of great sophistication along with (as customary in Schütz) a highly refined use of madrigalisms and contrapuntal figures that aim to give fitting emphasis, though always in a suitably austere context, to the meanings and images of the verses and strophes chosen by the deceased dedicatee. Within the context of the composer’s output the pseudo-Gloria is essentially a unicum, since almost half of its music consists of settings of German chorale strophes, not such a frequent occurrence in Schütz.

The sun of Venice stills warms Heinrich Schütz’s music, even though the sounds he had heard in the Venetian lagoon were surely by then a distant memory for one who was experiencing this dark moment in Germany’s history. As Wolfgang Osthoff pointed out: ‘With Schütz German music learned from Italy an idiom of its own and a probing attention to the word, a typically Italian trait.’ The search for, and acquisition of, that idiom had been a difficult conquest for one who had had to overcome his family’s opposition before reaching Venice in 1609. Before the shining examples of the Venetian masters he understood the inadequacy of his former brilliant musical apprenticeship. As André Pirro wrote, he was surprised and ‘perdu dans la contemplation de l’inaccessible’.

The second book of Kleine geistliche Concerte Op.9, printed in Leipzig in 1639 and dedicated to Prince Frederick III of Denmark, brother of Christian V, contains (unlike the first book) various Latin texts alongside the German. Once again the stylistic model is Italian. Again Schütz conceived this book for the chapels deprived of grand resources during these dramatic times of war. In addition to the voice parts (as in the first book from one to five in increasing and descending order of vocal range from soprano down to bass) he also provides the organist with a bass part on which to play extemporaneously. Once again a specifically Italian trait is the recourse to the affects, in this collection applied to the new concertante style. Thanks to the use of monody the manners of the modern madrigals and operatic works are transferred to the concerto da chiesa, which thus becomes a genuine musical ‘sermon’, resorting to all the subtleties of the ars oratoria and hence of musical rhetoric. In contrast with the first book, the texts feature a proportionally greater number of New Testament passages: while ten are drawn from Psalms, three are from the Gospels and four from the Epistles.

A common underlying thread in the collection is its remarkable rhetorical power. Once again the series of pieces reveals an extremely variegated range of expressive approaches, moreover concentrated in the relative brevity of these Concertos. The impassioned theatrical force in the four solo pieces is further boosted when Schütz adds a second voice in the sequence of marvellous duets. Each of these pieces merits close analysis. The only one to contemplate a five-part chorus of instruments for the opening Symphonia and the closing five-part homophonic chorus is the German Ave Maria (Concerto XXVIII), in which a soprano sings the part of Mary and an alto that of the Angel who brings the Good Tidings. The central scene devoted to these two characters, the heart of this work, is an astonishingly fresh and original example of the sacred theatrical style, that once again demonstrates the unprecedentedly wide range of expression in the composer’s arsenal of technical and expressive resources.

While first book concludes with the partitas on the Lied Ich hab mein Sach Gott heimgestellt, the opus nonum set is crowned by the five-voice hymn Aufer immensam, Deus, iram on a Latin text by Georg Klee in which Moser detected ‘almost an act of contrition and exorcism on the author’s part against the massacre of the war that had been continuing for so many years’.
The last work in this boxed set comprises 29 German motets for 5, 6 and 7 voices published under the title Musicalia ad Chorum sacrum id est Geistliche Chor-Music in 1648 as Op.11 with a dedication to the authorities of Leipzig at the head of the already famous choir of the Thomaskirche (where his great friend Johann Hermann Schein had been Cantor).

In the second part of the preface addressed to the ‘well-intentioned reader’ we find the most significant and famous of Schütz’s writings on music. This, as Civra writes, ‘both in its being and in its becoming, is the most sincere and conscious declaration of the historical profundities in which his artistic work is rooted and, all together, the most immediate and impassioned exposition of a musical approach that – for its remarkable awareness – has no precedents in history’. Schütz proposes to revive as an exemplum for the young generations of musicians the practice he had inherited in Italy, here defined as the ‘right and true school of all music’. In that country musicians made their debut in print with the composition of a work without continuo in the learned style (in the case of Schütz the Venetian Madrigals) as an exercise ‘in the requisites necessary for a well-regulated composition – which are (among others): the arrangement of the modes; the simple, mixed and inverted fugues; double counterpoint; the diversities of the various musical styles; the melodic conduct of each voice; the connection of subjects; etc.’, all artifices that were beginning to be lost on account of the spread of a more modern, simplified manner of composing based on figured bass. In this text Schütz recommends the study of the ‘ancient and modern classicos autores’ and particularly ‘the Italian authors who are canonized (as one might say) by the opinion of the best composers’. Again, as in the Cantiones sacrae Op.4 and in the Zwolf geistliche Gesänge Op.13, the author addresses the organist who wishes to accompany correctly those motets ‘conceived without basso continuo’, inviting him to reduce the vocal parts to tablature or score in such a way that he can play them without resorting to the incorrect simplification of figured bass (in this work clumsily prepared by a very poor copyist or by the publisher Johann Klemme himself). This is a recommendation that I take pride in following in my performing approach. I have already written about this in second boxed set and I shall return to the matter below. The ordering of the pieces by increasing number of voices also follows the liturgical function of the pieces. They proceed from Advent right up to Epiphany (1–8 and 13–18), along with pieces for funeral services (10–12, 19, 20, 22, 23 and 25) and wedding ceremonies (9, 21 and 24). This time the texts are mainly from the New Testament (Gospels, Epistle, and Apocalypse), though there are also Old Testament passages (Psalms, Isaiah, Job and Genesis), four ecclesiastical hymns and the text of a liturgical oration. There is also a re-elaboration of a piece by Andrea Gabrieli (27). In the final pieces instruments combine with the voices: in conformity with the typology of the writing, the notational modus and the practice of the age, we have favoured a choir of brass instruments. Madrigalisms are obviously the life-blood of this profoundly imitative style, though we also find moments of homophonic tension and hints of polychordality with the division of the single choir into different sections, as signally occurred at the time of Lassus. In offering future chapel masters a model of German motets (in some respects an intentionally didactic, perfect model), Schütz never fails to strike a deep chord and also evidences an evolution of the approaches already adopted in the Cantiones sacrae (though here they are perhaps more severe and less chromatically taut and mystically visionary).
The Instruments

Compact Discs 1–5

In this recording two organs of different conception were used.

To accompany the pieces concerted with wind instruments we chose a Chorpositiv built by Francesco Zanin of Codroipo (Pordenone). The ease with which its pitch can be regulated, thanks to the possibility of tuning the pipes with the aid of auxiliary tuning devices, proved better suited to tackling the problems posed by modern copies of 17th-century historical wind instruments with their pitch standardized at 440 Hz. This is the organ’s specification:

Gedeckt 8’
Flöte 4’
Prinzipal 2’

Completely different, on the other hand, is the organ built by Barthélémy Formentelli in 1980. This instrument is used throughout the *Symphoniae Sacrae II* (except in No.4, *Meine Seele erhebt denn Herrn*) and in those of the first part concerted with violins. This organ, built in every detail after the most authentic 17th-century Italian tradition and voiced with an incisive chiff (con spicco) in accordance with early taste, has a manual of 50 keys (CD-d’’’) and a pedalboard of 12 pedals always coupled to the keyboard (C-c). The stops are divided at C#, with the drawstops for the basses to the left of the keyboard, those for the sopranos to the right.

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The decision to play the continuo part – the harmonic and rhetorical foundation of such concerted music and its phonic centre of gravity – on an organ built according to the most authentic Italian (and particularly, Venetian) tradition was intended as a dissociation from the frequent performances that resort to modest organs devoid of all musical personality. For while such organs do present logistic advantages for present-day concert needs, they nonetheless constitute a historical falsehood, one of the most serious in the modern authentic recreation of continuo playing. After all, the organs played in the music conceived for sacred buildings were ‘church organs’ (big or small according to the size of the building), and the contemporary performer would have resorted to all the resources of timbre that these instruments offered.
The sound pyramid of the early Italian organ, founded on the family of the principale (as a rule the only foundation stop) to which were added certain da concerto stops of different cuts and shapes, blends perfectly with the other continuo and melodic instruments. In the same way, the Prinzipal was the most favoured foundation stops in the German environment for continuo playing, as Praetorius attests in the second volume of the Syntagma Musicum where he describes it as the most beautiful, the most similar in nature to the human voice and thus the best suited to accompanying motets and ensemble vocal music.

**Compact Discs 6–10**

To accompany the Cantiones sacrae opus 4 we chose to use the fine organ built in 1731-33 by Giacinto Pescetti (father of Giovanni Battista, the better-known composer) for the church of S. Biagio della Giudecca in Venice. It is one of the rare surviving examples of an instrument predating the neo-classical reform of organ building undertaken in the Veneto area by Pescetti’s pupil, the Dalmatian Piatr Nachic (Italianized as Pietro Nacchini). Since 1810 the instrument has been housed in the church of S. Giacomo of Polcenigo (Pordenone) – where we also recorded the first volume of the Heinrich Schütz Edition. A partial debt to the Nacchini aesthetic, which was later crystallized in the substantial production of his pupil Gaetano Callido, can be detected in the present structure of the instrument. In particular, the single-field case most likely belonged to the Callido organ that stood in S. Giacomo before the Pescetti organ was purchased and brought to Polcenigo from Venice. Moreover, the presence of the Tromboncini stops (with pipes in the facade, in front of the Principale pipes) and the Cornetta, both perhaps dating to modifications made by Giovanni Battista Piaggia when the instrument was still in Venice. The singular presence of a splendid half-stopped Flauto in VIII, however, is a characteristic that can surely be ascribed, along with other structural and phonic elements, to the hand of Pescetti, whose only surviving instrument it is. Pescetti came from the Mantuan area and was active in various parts of northern Italy, where he had the opportunity to gain direct knowledge of the German and northern European traditions of organ building. Among other things, he also worked on the instruments in the cathedral of BolzaNo. The instrument has a manual of 47 keys with a short first octave and a leggio pedalboard of 18 pedals constantly coupled to the manual. The specification of the organ is as follows:

Principale bassi [8’] / Principale Soprani / Ottava / Quintadecima / Decimanona / Vigesima Seconda / Vigesima Sesta / Vigesima Nona / Voce Umana / Flauto in VIII / Flauto in XII / Cornetta / Tromboncini bassi [8’] / Tromboncini soprani / Contrabassi con ottava [16’+8’]

The sound of this early organ and its Principale blends marvellously with the choir of four singers, who were specifically positioned in the organ gallery above the entrance door, the place historically appointed for the performance of church music.

This positioning also helps to achieve a suitable acoustic rendering of these superb motets, which are written either in the style of the spiritual madrigal or, in a few cases, in that of the concerto with continuo accompaniment. All too often these works are performed either by weighty choral groups – thereby attributing to the word ‘choir’ the meaning it has commonly acquired (erroneously, as regards the Lutheran musical repertory up until Bach at least) from the 19th century onwards – or (arbitrarily) by ‘a cappella’ madrigal ensembles. On the latter point it is here worth pausing.
It is certainly true that Sagittario is critical about the use of continuo every time he associates it with works written in the strictly contrapuntal and polyphonic style (Cantiones sacrae, Musicalia ad chorum sacrum, Zwölf geistliche Lieder). Such diffidence is completely understandable from the musical point of view, but it must not be misunderstood as a recommendation to exclude the organ, which instead we believe to be fundamental to a correct interpretation of this kind of vocal music. Viewed historically, the common practice of singing in church cum organo (a practice that surely dates to a very early period) led to the very practical expedient of notating a bass part for the organist with special harmonic indications (which were more or less detailed, as the case may be): in this way sparing him the fatiguing task of rewriting the parts in score or transferring them to some kind of keyboard tablature. Now, while Schütz is the man who composed the finest spiritual concertos with continuo of his day, he never failed to complain about the simplification introduced by this practice of playing ‘on a bass’ whenever he adopted the style that was soon to be significantly defined as ‘severe’. In such cases the keyboard player who wishes to provide proper support to the singing must observe not only the vertical aspect of the musical discourse, but also the horizontal progress of the superimposed melodies. In short, he must have a clear notation of the whole piece, enabling him to ‘deduce’ the structure of the accompaniment in a way that matches the varying situations and to respect the piece’s dynamics, textural rhetoric, texture (more or less ornamented, as the case may be) and presence of polyphonic imitation.

In the present recording of the Cantiones sacrae, therefore, the vocal score has been used as sole point of reference for the organ accompaniment, except in those pieces which, by the composer’s own admission, are genuine concertos with continuo according to the style then fashionable. In these cases we referred to the organ part which otherwise the composer had prepared only on the printer’s insistence. The same principle has been followed for the accompaniment of the madrigals, played on a very fine harpsichord built by Barthélemy Formentelli, the copy of an original 17th-century instrument today in the Ca’ Rezzonico Museum in Venice.

As regards the realization of the continuo part in the first book of Kleine geistliche Concerte of 1636 we decided to use a refined organ built in the 17th-century Emilian style together with a spinettone (copy of a late north-Italian instrument) and a 17th-century six-string violone in G of the Florentine school. The keyboard instruments are both by Barthélemy Formentelli. The specification of the organ is as follows:

Principale 8’ / Ottava 4’ / Decimaquinta 2’ / Decimona 1’1/3 / Flauto in XII 2’ 2/3 / Fiffaro 8’ / Bassi 8’
Keyboard of 45 keys with a short octave and a leggio pedalboard of 9 keys constantly coupled to the manual.

The strongly appealing tone of the historical violone in G heard on this recording blends marvellously with the sound of the low organ pipes and acts as a genuine ‘church’ bass, capable of playing both in the common 8-foot and 16-foot ranges.
In the German organ galleries (as in the Italian ones) there was often also a spinet (or harpsichord), which acted as a plucked instrument, though with a greater sonority and range than the common theorbo. Continuo parts written for the spinet are indeed frequently found among the surviving performance materials for the sacred concertos of the Italian Kapellmeister who succeeded Schütz, Vincenzo Albrici and Marco Giuseppe Peranda: materials destined precisely for the electoral chapel of Dresden.
The Cantiones sacrae that resort to the use of chiavette (high clefs) in the notation have been performed a fourth or fifth lower, in accordance with the early church practice connected with vocal ranges and transposed liturgical modes. In the opus primum, on the other hand, the practice of using female voices in madrigals and music for the ‘chamber’ and the widely-imitated model of the Concerto delle Dame of Ferrara with its trios of virtuoso female singers have generally induced us to retain the high ranges in the pieces notated with chiavette.

When recording the Kleine geistliche Concerte of 1636, given the very low pitch of the organ, we chose to transpose the second concerto up a fourth, to give a more brilliant sonority to the piece, here sung by a soprano voice.

Compact Discs 11–14

In tackling the problems connected with the most authentic rendering of Schütz’s vocal style, in the Historia Resurrectionis we decided on a performance entirely entrusted to vocal ‘concertists’. We also renounced the possibility of replacing one of the two voices that sing the part of Christ in the concerti with organ with an instrument, preferring an entirely vocal performance of the magnificent duets for Altus and Tenor.

Instead we opted for the addition of a second ripieno chorus of four singers to the four ‘concertists’ in the three Passions: eight vocal performers alternate in the formation of the choro favorito and the support capella and take part in singing the words of the evangelical Personae that appear from time to time.

As regards the instrumental rendering of the opus tertium, for the accompaniment of the Evangelist in the falsibordoni preference was shown for Schütz’s suggestion to use a chorus of viols that could also add a touch of fantasy by improvising divisions (’zierliche und appropiirte leuffe oder passaggi’) on the long notes that accompany the first lesson tone of the tenor. This is surely a more appealing possibility than the otherwise suggested accompaniment of the organ or lute or other polyphonic string instrument.

In the Sieben Worte Jesu Christi, for the performance of the highest instrumental part notated in the soprano clef, recourse was made, according to the contemporary practice, to a da braccio instrument, in the present case a viola da braccio, which is more congenial than the violin to the range of the passages and blends better with the sound of the viols.

The organ played in this recording is a positive organ ad ala built by Giorgio Carli of Pescantina (Verona) provided with one manual, a pedalboard a leggio constantly coupled to the manual and with the following stops: Principale 8’, Bordone 8’, Flauto 4’, Doublette 2’. The concerti with the organ of the Auferstehungshistorie have been accompanied above all with the sweet Bordone stop, in accordance with what is prescribed by Schütz himself (‘in ein gar still getacktes … musiciret werden müssen’).
Compact Discs 15–19
A conversation on matters of authenticity between Matteo Messori and Alessandro Taverna

According to your way of seeing things, authenticity or at least historical correctness is far from being achieved in the vast majority of performances of both the vocal and instrumental music of the Baroque and pre-Classical periods. In the case of Schütz two aspects that cannot be neglected are the musical forces used and the continuo part.

Without doubt the argument proposed by Joshua Rifkin, and later further documented by Andrew Parrott, of the Bach choir of ‘only’ four singers is in fact nothing more than a necessary revival of a practice that was routinely adopted in most musical chapels and not only in Germany and Italy. Hence it isn’t a musicological argument that needs to be debated at all, but an (abundantly documented) practice without which it is impossible to interpret, at least with felicitous musical and perceptive results, the music of Bach written for the most part for four soloists, as were almost all the sacred polyphonic concertos which only rarely – and then for grander occasions (almost always associated with a very different type of vocal writing) – were sustained with a ripieno choir, again performing ‘one-per-part’ and almost always ad libitum. Only with expressive solo singers equipped with secure taste can one do justice to the refined and always madrigalistic-affective polyphonic and contrapuntal vocal writing required by both Lutheran and Italian musicians right up until the advent of the choir understood as a broadly amateur and bourgeois institution and no longer as what today we would be tempted to call a ‘chamber’ ensemble of professional soloists. To be sure, the puere cantores existed in the rosters of many wealthy musical chapels, which unquestionably document the presence of more than the usual 4–5 up to 8 singers, but we also know that the music in the concertante style born in Italy was not necessarily performed by all the available members of a musical chapel, who were most likely used all together and, in the Lutheran churches, rather for the Chorallieder and perhaps for the Pleno Choro Renaissance motets, in which recourse to doubling was widespread. In fact the entire modern performance practice of so-called early music (not to mention the most scrupulous musicology) take their cue from the ‘end result’ of the score published in modern editions and never from the separate parts used by the performers of the day, which are often preserved. Not uncommonly the autograph score tells us too little about the true performing intentions of the Bach cantatas, which instead can be more readily deduced from the original performing materials... by reviving, for example, the use of ‘only’ four violins divided into two groups of two in matters of orchestration.

We should also reflect long on the results of the important recent research, conducted in the last few years by Richard Maunder, on the Italian and European 18th-century instrumental concerto. It well illustrates that the concertos of Vivaldi, Bach, Corelli etc. and even later ones were intended without any doubling of the strings and often with a bare continuo, almost always reduced to a single stringed instrument plus keyboard or often to the keyboard alone without any strings...

The other big problem for you as a keyboard player, specifically as a harpsichordist, organist and clavichordist, is the question of the continuo forces. You believe that today these are completely misunderstood by many illustrious early music groups who would appear to subscribe to the notion of ‘the more the merrier’!
It is very fashionable today to introduce alternations of organ, harpsichord, theorbs, harps, bassoons, trombones even in sacred music, to enrich it for purely colouristic effect (hence serving a completely modern sense of colour). This is the pure, and unjustified, invention of modern conductors, who fail to take into account the only evidence that we can sometimes succeed in reconstructing: i.e. the attested performance of a given work when we know its forces – either through the chapels rosters or through the separate parts – and of the widespread practice in a given historical context. I do not wish to seem ‘Calvinistic’, or for that matter a ‘Puritan’, in questions of performance practice; not by any means. Any approach can find its aesthetic justification, but please don’t talk to me of historical ‘authenticity’ or correctness when today we hear the organ realizing the continuo part, and in early times it did so centrally in the church, constantly performed on pitifully voiceless chest organs, with registers of stopped pipes that were practically non-existent on most early Italian organs; and when (rarely!) we do find Principals, they are always of wood and never with full-length metal pipes in the prospects, given that these organs have no prospects.

In the Kleine geistliche Concerte you decided to introduce a spinet which is not indicated in the original organ part, though we know that at the time there was a spinet in the Electoral organ gallery in Dresden at the time...

For this decision I relied on what is attested in many documents relating to central-German 17th-century and late 16th-century church organs, particularly at Kassel, where there were harpsichord keyboards and pedalboards inside the organ, that at times were even to be found as separate keyboards alongside the main console of the main organ.

The entire Geistliche Chor-music is performed with the support of the organ which doubles the parts and completely disregards the continuo part which the publisher had included for mere reasons of marketing in an age that was already moving towards a simplification of the contrapuntal texture in musical style.

In the present recording even the Capellae of the Exequien are performed without the ad libitum doublings, in other words by a solo choir of six concertisti, though with the indispensable use of the organ with the Principal stop – instead of the Gedackt often used in the parts in the style of the sacred concerto (as I have already had occasion to write, Praetorius considered the Principal the best register for accompanying the human voice, a recommendation still widely ignored) – and with the entire polyphonic structure of the choir (Basso seguente or con le parti) doubled. This is what Schütz always asked of the organist in the frequent cases of strict counterpoint that cannot be reduced to a continuo part.
Biographies

Cappella Augustana

The ensemble ‘Cappella Augustana’ was founded by the harpsichordist and organist Matteo Messori and brings together young performers who boast many collaborations with the best European early music ensembles. The Cappella Augustana is particularly interested in the study of the relationships between Italy - the cradle of Fine Arts - and the transalpine countries (often of a Protestant creed) during the late Renaissance and the Baroque periods. The distinguishing characteristic of this ensemble is the investigation and rediscovering of the works of some important past who musicians today undeservedly are excluded from the musical and academic scene, together with the re-proposition of the original vocal/instrumental dispositions and techniques, after the latest studies conducted on the matter. The madrigalistic style of J.S. Bach’s liturgical music (sacred concertos and masses), for example, is to be considered strictly related to the seventeenth century ‘bel canto’ tradition (particularly that of the post-Carissiminian Collegio Germanico) and to the *stylus luxurians* and *teatralis* of the time. The most modern and ‘sensitive’ instances of the sacred compositions of Bach’s elder son, Wilhelm Friedemann (1710-1784) constitute the temporal boundary of the ‘Cappella Augustana’s musical research.

Matteo Messori

Matteo Messori was born in Bologna where he studied organ and counterpoint. He studied harpsichord with Sergio Vartolo at the conservatories of Mantua and Venice, and musicology at the university of his native city, Bologna. He is a harpsichordist, organist and conductor, working in Europe and the US and with various chamber music ensembles.

In order to deepen the musical and cultural relationship between the Bel Paese and the northern musical world between the 16th and 17th centuries, Matteo Messori founded the ensemble Capella Augustana; together they are making the first complete recording of the works of Heinrich Schütz for Brilliant Classics. He also directed, for the Swedish label Musica Rediviva, the first CD dedicated to sacred music by Vincenzo Albrici (1631–1690/96), one-time Kapellmeister in Dresden and organist at the Thomaskirche in Leipzig.

His recording of the third part of the *Clavierübung* by Johann Sebastian Bach on three historical Thuringian, Silesian and Saxon organs (one inaugurated by Bach himself) has gained the prize ‘5 de Diapason’ in March 2008 from the French magazine *Diapason*. In June 2008 he recorded J.S. Bach’s *Die Kunst der Fuge* and the *Musikalisches Opfer* with Capella Augustana. The recordings will be published in a 3-CDs box of Bach’s late works that will contain also the Canonig Variations on ‘Von Himmel Hoch’, recorded on the 1724 Trost organ of Walthershausen.

Messori has conducted the State Chamber Orchestra of the Republic of Belarus at the Philharmonic Hall of Minsk and the first Italian stage performance of the Handel’s *La Bellezza ravveduta* in Rimini. He is professor of organ and counterpoint, continuo and historical keyboard instruments at the Bergamo Conservatory.
Gerd Türk began his vocal training as a member of the ‘Limburger Domsingknaben’. (Boys Choir of the Limburg Cathedral in Germany)
He went on to study Music Education, Church Music and Choral Direction at the Frankfurt Conservatory of Music, amongst others with Helmuth Rilling and Arleen Auger.

After a two-year lectureship at the Speyer Institute of Church Music, Gerd Türk devoted his attention entirely to singing. Studies of Baroque Singing and Interpretation at the renowned ‘Schola Cantorum Basiliensis’ (with René Jacobs and Richard Levitt) and Masterclasses with E.Haefliger, K.Equiluz, N. Shetler, amongst others, led to a career as sought-after soloist, touring in Europe, South-East Asia, Japan, North and South America, and Australia.

Gerd Türk has performed at the most prestigious concert halls, including the Concertgebouw Amsterdam, Berlin Philharmonic, Palais Garnier Paris, Teatro Colón, Musikverein Wien, Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center New York under the baton of such conductors as Ph. Herreweghe, R. Jacobs, T. Koopman, J. Savall, M. Corboz, M. Suzuki, Fr. Brüggen and others.

Mr. Türk has been member of with various ensembles, amongst them ‘Cantus Coelln’, Germany’s leading Vocal Group, and ‘Gilles Binchois’ (France), renowned for its interpretation of Medieval Music.

Gerd Türk is also very active on the Opera stage, having been invited to perform in Montpellier, Innsbruck, Barcelona, Antwerp and Madrid. Most recently he took part in a production of Monteverdi Madrigals at the ‘Nederlandse Reisopera’ as well as in Monteverdi’s ‘Orfeo’ at the ‘Teatro del Liceu’ in Barcelona.

With Sony, Erato, BIS, BMG, Virgin and harmonia mundi France labels, Gerd Türk has recorded more than 100 CDs, including all Bach Oratorios, Monteverdi’s Vespers, Mozart’s Requiem and Lieder by Carl Orff, which have received numerous awards. (Edison, Gramophone Award, Cannes Award, Grand Prix du Disque, Preis der deutschen Schallplattenkritik) He is regularly involved in the complete recordings of Bach’s Vocal Music with the ‘Bach Collegium Japan’, which have been highly acclaimed by the international press.

Gerd Türk is currently holding a professorship at the ‘Schola Cantorum Basiliensis’ in Switzerland and gives master classes at the Tokyo National University of Music and Fine Arts.
Acknowledgements

Compact Discs 1–5

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These recordings are dedicated to the memory of Luciano, my grandfather, and Renzo, who both died recently. I would here like to thank all the people who helped and supported me during the making of this second volume of the Heinrich Schütz Edition, and in particular to: Dr. Romeo Broglia, counsellor of the Province of Parma, for his generosity and for the enthusiasm with which he made available the facilities of the seminary of Bedonia, Dr. Corrado Truffelli, the president of the seminary, and Don Piero, who came to our assistance on many occasions of need, also offering the possibility of recording in S. Martino di Montarsiccio, the church he presides over; Don Vito Pegolo and Bruno for once again granting their permission to use the church of S. Giacomo di Polcenigo; my friend Alessandro Orsaria, who as well as offering his valuable assistance at the organ in the recording of the Concerti of 1636, also aided me on numerous other occasions; Sergio Vartolo for his musical assistance in the recording of the Madrigali and for his kindness in lending his very fine harpsichord; Hugh Ward-Perkins for his kindness in lending his spinettone; Dr. Carla Chiarini and Ing. Maurizio Lamborghini for their warm hospitality during certain stages of post-production; my family and that of Egidia, Renzo and Sonia; and finally, Magister Henricus Sagittarius, for granting our meagre earthly talents the chance to come close to a universal artistic message that partakes of the Absolute.
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I would like to take the opportunity here to express my heartfelt thanks to all those who sustained and helped in the realization of this third stage of the *Heinrich Schütz Edition*: once again to Romeo Broglia, without whose enthusiastic interest in art and the generous support this issue would never have seen the light of day; to the mayor of Tarsogno, Alessandro Cardinali, for his essential help and concern over the organization of our stay in the Appenines of Parma; Milena Bassoni and with her the parish priest and entire parish community of Groppo di Albareto who permitted our long recording session in the treasured historic Pieve di Groppo and patiently put up with the disturbance that our work created to the daily life of the village; and finally, my parents and Ania who assisted me with her customary sweetness and devotion at every stage of the present endeavour.

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Let me here warmly thank the various people who sustained me in the laborious gestation of this fourth boxed set, some of whom have been at my side right from the start of the Schütz project.

Without the enlightened recording management and without the esteem accorded to me by Pieter van Winkel I would never have been able to get to know and perform these superb works, left to us by one of the supreme geniuses of the entire history of music, or to tackle so many interpretational problems and attempt to offer an interesting performing version.

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Once Heinrich Schütz wrote that the musician is like a tailor who must follow the fashions that rapidly change. In another sense altogether I would like to thank the ‘musical tailor’ of the whole project, Corrado Ruzza, a true master who patiently tackled the recorded materials, often of considerable technical complexity, and who with rare skill artfully ‘sewed’ together my choices.

*Matteo Messori*
Heinrich Schütz Edition

Heinrich Schütz 1585–1672

Symphoniae Sacrae I
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Cappella Augustana
Anna Mikołajczyk (A), Marzena Lubaszka (B) sopranos
Piotr Lykowski (C) alto
Krzysztof Szmyt (D), Robert Pozarski (E) tenors & tenori alti
Harry van der Kamp (F), Bogdan Makal (G), Walter Testolin (H), Gian Paolo Dal Dosso (I) basses

Alberto Stevanin (J), Gianni Maraldi (K) violins & violette
Jean-Pierre Canihac (L), Marie Garnier-Marzullo (M) cornetts
Jonathan Pia (N) natural trumpet
Luigi Mario Lupo (O), Rossella Pozzer (P) fiffare & recorders

Mauro Morini (Q), Ermes Giussani (R) alto/tenor trombones
Roberta Pregliasco (S) tenor trombone
David Yacus (T) bass trombone
Elena Bianchi (U), Vincenzo Onida (V), David Yacus (T) dulcians

Basso continuo
Dolores Costoyas theorbo · Florian Weininger violone & double bass

Matteo Messori organ & direction

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Cantiones sacrae quatuor vocum SWV 53–93 (1625)

Compact Disc 6

Volume 1

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3. Deus misereatur nostri
4. Prima pars: Quid commissisti, o dulcissime puer
5. Secunda pars: Ego sum tui plaga doloris
6. Tertia pars: Ego enim inique egi
7. Quarta pars: Quo, nate Dei, quo tua descendit humilitas
8. Quinta et ultima pars: Calicem salutaris accipiam
9. Prima pars: Verba mea auribus percipe Domine
10. Secunda pars: Quoniam ad te clamabo Domine
11. Prima pars: Ego dormio et cor meum vigilat
12. Secunda pars: Vulnerasti cor meum, filia charissima
13. Tertia pars: Heu mihi, Domine, quia peccavi nimis in vita mea
14. In te, Domine, speravi
15. Dulcissime et benignissime Christe
16. Sicut Moses serpentem in deserto exaltavit
17. Spes mea, Christe Deus
18. Turbador, sed non perturbabor
19. Prima pars: Ad Dominum cum tribularer clamavi
20. Secunda pars: Quid detur tibi aut quid apponatur tibi ad linguam dolosam

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**Cappella Augustana**

Anna Mikołajczyk *cantus*

Maciej Gocman *altus*

Paolo Borgonovo *tenor*

Walter Testolin *bassus*

Matteo Messori *organ & direction*
Kleine geistliche Concerte SWV 282–305 (1636)

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Cappella Augustana
Anna Mikołajczyk (A), Kira Boreczko-Dal (B) sopranos
Maciej Gocman (C), Luca Dellacasa (D) altos & tenors
Walter Testolin (E), Matteo Bellotto (F), Garrick Comeaux (G) basses

Basso continuo
Nicola Dal Maso violone in G · Alessandro Orsaria (I) organ

Matteo Messori spinettone, organ & direction
Il primo libro de Madrigali SWV 1–19 (1611)

1. **I. O primaverà (A, B, E, F, G)**
2. **II. O dolcezze amarissime d’amore (B, A, E, F, G)**
3. **III. Selve beate (A, C, E, F, G)**
4. **IV. Alma afflitta (A, C, E, F, G)**
5. **V. Così morir debb’io (B, C, E, F, G)**
6. **VI. D’orrida selce alpina (A, B, E, F, G)**
7. **VII. Ride la primaverà (A, B, C, E, G)**
8. **VIII. Fuggi, fuggi, o mio core (B, A, E, F, G)**
9. **IX. Feritevi, ferite, viperette mordaci (B, A, C, E, G)**
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17. **XVII. Di marmo siete voi (B, A, C, E, G)**
18. **XVIII. Giunto è pur (B, A, C, E, G)**
19. **XIX. Vasto mar (Dialogo)**
   (I Coro: A, D, F, H / II Coro: B, C, E, G)

**Cappella Augustana**

Anna Mikołajczyk (A), Marzena Lubaszka (B) *sopranos*
Francesca Russo Ermolli (C) *mezzo-soprano*
Michel van Goethem (D) *alto*
Maciej Gocman (E) *alto & tenor*
Aleksander Kunach (F) *tenor*
Bogdan Makal (G), Walter Testolin (H) *basses*

Matteo Messori *harpsichord & direction*
Compact Discs 6–10
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Historia der Auferstehung Jesu Christi Op.3 SWV50

1 Chorus: Die Auferstehung unsers Herren Jesu Christi (A, B, E, D, F, H) 1’23
2 Evangelist: Da der Sabbath vergangen war 6’50
3 Evangelist: Da aber Maria Magdalena also läuft 5’27
4 Evangelist: Und als sie das saget, wandte sie zurücke 5’22
5 Evangelist: Die Weiber aber gingen hinein in das Grab 4’23
6 Evangelist: Da sie aber hingingen, siehe, da kamen etliche von den Hüttern 2’20
7 Evangelist: Und siehe, Zweene aus ihnen gingen an demselben Tage 7’52
8 Evangelist: Und er ging hinein, bei ihnen zu bleiben 1’37
9 Evangelist: Und sie stunden zu derselbigen Stunde auf 1’37
10 Evangelist: Es war aber am Abend desselben Sabbaths 3’49
11 Evangelist: Und sie legten ihm für ein Stück vom gebraten Fisch 5’04
12 Gott sei Dank 2’06

(Choro 1: B, E, G, H, viole da gama / Choro 2: A, D, F, Evangelist, I)

Die drei Weiber oder Marien (A, B, C) · Die zweene Männer im Grabe (G, F)
Maria Magdalena (B, A) · Zweene Engel (E, D)
Jesus (D, F) · Der jüngling am Grabe (E, D)
Die Hohenpriester (F, I, H) · Cleophas (F)
Cleophas und sein Geselle (G, F) · Die Elfe zu Jerusalem versammelt (A, B, E, D, F, H)

Gerd Türk Evangelist

Cappella Augustana
Marzena Lubaszka (A), Elzbieta Adamczyk (B), Madgalena Niebywalksa (C) cantus
David Munderloh (D), Vincent Lièvre-Picard (E) altus
Hervé Lamy (F), Giovanni Cantarini (G) tenor
Walter Testolin (H), Lisandro Abadie (I) bassus

Il Sonar Parlante – concerto di viole
Rodney Prada, Fahmi Alqhai, Rami Alqhai, Cristiano Contadin

Matteo Messori organ & direction
Matthäus-Passion SWV479

1 Introitus 0'52
2 Der Beschluss des Hohen Rates 1'37
3 Die Salbung in Betanien 2'39
4 Der Verrat durch Judas 0'39
5 Die Vorbereitung des Paschamahls 1'25
6 Das Mahl 3'55
7 Der Gang zum Ölberg 2'05
8 Das Gebet in Getsemani 4'17
9 Die Gefangennahme 3'42
10 Das Verhör vor dem Hohen Rat 4'29
11 Die Verleugnung durch Petrus 2'37
12 Die Auslieferung an Pilatus 0'30
13 Das Ende des Judas 2'48
14 Die Verhandlung vor Pilatus 5'52
15 Die Verspottung Jesu durch die Soldaten 1'49
16 Die Kreuzigung 4'42
17 Der Tod Jesu 5'35
18 Das Begräbnis Jesu 1'25
19 Die Bewachung des Grabes 2'18
20 Beschluss 2'16

21 Dialogo per la Pascua SWV443 4'26
Weib, was weinst du? (B, A, D, C)

Gerd Türk Evangelist · Bas Ramselaar Jesus

Cappella Augustana
Marzena Lubaszka (Ancilla II, A), Elzbieta Adamczyk (Ancilla I, B) cantus
David Munderloh (Judas, C), Vincent Lièvre-Picard (Pilati uxor, D) altus
Hervé Lamy (Pilatus), Giovanni Cantarini (Petrus) tenor
Walter Testolin, Lisandro Abadie (Caiphas) bassus

Matteo Messori organ & direction
Lukas-Passion SWV480

1 Introitus 1’10
2 Der Beschluss des Hohen Rates 0’27
3 Der Verrat durch Judas 0’46
4 Die Vorbereitung des Paschamahls 2’30
5 Das Mahl 3’36
6 Vom Herrschen und vom Dienen 2’30
7 Die Andkündigung der Verleugnung und der Umkehr des Petrus 1’31
8 Die Stunde der Entscheidung 2’33
9 Das Gebet am Ölberg 2’26
10 Die Gefangennahme 2’45
11 Die Verleugnung durch Petrus 2’56
12 Die Verspottung durch die Wächter 0’48
13 Das Verhör vor dem Hohen Rat 3’06
14 Die Auslieferung an Pilatus 2’53
15 Die Verspottung durch Herodes 1’41
16 Die Verhandlung vor Pilatus 3’59
17 Die Kreuzigung 7’32
18 Der Tod Jesu 2’25
19 Das Bregräbnis Jesu 1’47
20 Beschluss 1’32

21 Dialogus SWV444 3’38
Es gingen zweee Menschen hinauf (A, B, C, D)

Gerd Türk Evangelist · Bas Ramselaar Jesus

Cappella Augustana
Marzena Lubaszka (Ancilla, A), Elzbieta Adamczyk (B) cantus
David Munderloh (Petrus), Vincent Lièvre-Picard (Latro I, C) altus
Hervé Lamy (Latro II), Giovanni Cantarini (Servus I) tenor
Walter Testolin (Servus II, Centurio), Lisandro Abadie (Pilatus) bassus

Matteo Messori organ & direction
Johannes-Passion SWV481

1. Introitus 1'30
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3. Jesus vor dem Hohenpriester 0'40
4. Petrus im Hof des Hohenpriesters 1'32
5. Das Verhör vor dem Hohen Rat 2'12
6. Die Verleugnung durch Petrus 1'11
7. Das Verhör und die Verurteilung durch Pilatus 4'49
8. Jesus wird zum Tode verurteilt 9'29
9. Die Kreuzigung Jesu 7'14
10. Beschluss 2'02

Bas Ramselaar Jesus

Die Sieben Worte Jesu Christi am Kreuz SWV478

11. Introitus: Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund (A, D, E, F, G) 2'10
12. Symphonia 1'09
13. Evangelist: Und es war um die dritte Stunde (C, Jesus) 0'56
14. Evangelist: Es stund aber bei dem Kreuze (E, Jesus) 2'11
15. Evangelist: Aber der Übelthäter einer (A, D, G, Jesus) 3'04
16. Evangelist: Und um die neunte Stunde (B, C, E, G, Jesus) 2'04
17. Evangelist: Darnach als Jesus wusste (C, Jesus, E) 1'53
18. Evangelist: Und abermals rief Jesus laut (E, Jesus, B, C, G) 1'27
19. Symphonia 1'13
20. Conclusio: Wer Gottes Marter in Ehren hat (A, D, E, F, G) 1'55

Gerd Türk Evangelist, Jesus
Cappella Augustana
Marzena Lubaszka (A), Elzbieta Adamczyk (Ancilla, B) cantus
David Munderloh (Petrus, C), Vincent Lièvre-Picard (D) altus
Hervé Lamy (Pilatus, E), Giovanni Cantarini (F) tenor
Walter Testolin (G), Lisandro Abadie (Servus) bassus

Alberto Stevanin viola da braccio

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Compact Disc 15

Volume 1

1. Ich will den Herren loben allezeit* (A) 3’14
2. Was hast du verwirket* (E) 3’37
3. O Jesu, nomen dulce* (F) 3’37
4. O misericordissime Jesu* (G) 4’43
5. Ich liege und schlafe (H) 3’46
6. Habe deine Lust an dem Herren* (C, A) 4’59
7. Herr, ich hoffe darauf (A, B) 3’20
8. Bone Jesu, verbum Patris (A, B) 4’57
9. Verbum caro factum est (A, B, I) 4’07
10. Hodie Christus natus est* (A, F) 3’55
11. Wann unsre Augen schlafen ein (D, H) 2’56
12. Meister, wir haben die ganze Nacht gearbeitet* (F, G) 2’18
13. Die Furcht des Herren* (G, F) 2’17
15. Ich bin jung gewesen* (I, H) 2’33

Cappella Augustana
Anna Mikołajczyk (A), Anna Niewiedział (B), Marzena Lubaszka (C), Kamila Kułakowska (D) canti, Rolf Ehlers (E) altus
Michael Schaffrath (F), Stephan Gähler (G) tenores
Walter Testolin (H), Johannes Schmidt (I) bassi
*Alessandro Orsaria organ

Matteo Messori organ, *spinettone & direction
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**Cappella Augustana**

Anna Mikołajczyk (A), Marzena Lubaszka (B), Anna Niewiedzial (C),
Jana Reiner (D), Astrid Werner (E), Stanislava Mihalcová (F) *canti*
Rolf Ehlers (G), Nils Giegelhausen (H) *alti*
Michael Schaffrath (I), Stephan Gähler (L) *tenores*
Walter Testolin (M), Johannes Schmidt (N) *bassi*
*Alessandro Orsaria organ*

**Matteo Messori organ, *spinettone & direction***

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Musikalische Exequien Op.7 SWV 279–281 (1636)

I. Concert in Form einer deutschen Begräbnis-Missa
5 Nacket bin ich vom Mutterleibe kommen
   (Voces solae et Capellae: B, A, F, I, L, M) 4’08
6 Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt (B, A, F, I, L, M) 0’50
7 Capella: Er sprach seinem lieben Sohn (B, A, F, I, L, M) 1’03
8 Das Blut Jesu Christi (A, L) 1’33
9 Capella: Durch ihn ist uns vergeben
10 Unser Wandel ist im Himmel (B M) 0’33
11 Capella: Es ist allhier ein Jammersthal 1’24
12 Wenn eure Sünde gleich blutroth wäre (I, L) 1’29
13 Capella: Sein Wort, sein Tauf, sein Nachtmahl
14 Gehe hin, mein Volk, in eine Kammer (F) 0’45
15 Der Gerechten Seelen sind in Gottes Hand (A, B, M) 1’25
16 Herr, wenn ich nur dich habe (F, I, L, M) 1’28
17 Capella: Er ist das Heil und selig Licht 1’10
18 Unser Leben wäret siebenzig Jahr (M, N) 1’55
19 Capella: Ach, wie elend ist unser Zeit allhier auf dieser Erden 1’33
20 Ich weiß, daß mein Erlöser lebt (I) 0’48
21 Capella: Weil du vom Tod erstanden bist 0’46
22 Herr, ich lasse dich nicht (A, B, F, I, L, M) 1’01
23 Capella: Er sprach zu mir: halt dich an mich 1’36

II. Motette
24 Herr, wenn ich nur dich habe
   (Chorus I: B, F, L, N / Chorus II: A, H, I, M) 3’42

III. Canticum B. Simeonis
25 Herr, nun lässest du deinen Diener in Friede fahren
   (Chorus I: C, F, L, I, M / Seraphim I: B /
   Seraphim II: A / Beata anima cum Seraphinis: N) 5’05
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God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory. Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early. I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

My heart rejoiceth in the Lord, mine horn is exalted in the Lord: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.

There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness. Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily.

I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being. Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

My soul melts as the lover speaks For his voice is sweet and his face beautiful while his lips ooze fine myrrh. I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I am sick of love.

Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold, thou art fair; thou hast doves’ eyes; thy hair is as a flock of goats. Thy teeth are like a flock of sheep that are even shorn Thy lips are like a thread of scarlet; Thy neck is like the tower of David Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins.

Compact Disc 1

Symphoniae sacrae I

Concerto I  Psalm 108: 1–3

Concerto II  Samuel 1: 2: 1–2
2 Exsultavit cor meum in Domino et exaltatum est cornu meum in Deo meo. Dilatatum est os meum super inimicos meos quia laetata sum in salutari tuo. Non est sanctus ut est Dominus neque enim est alius extra te et non est fortis sicut Deus noster.

Concerto III  Psalm 31: 1–2
3 In Te Domine speravi non confundar in aeternum in justitia tua libera me. Inclina aurem tuam acceleta ut eruas me.

Concerto IV  Psalm 146: 1–2
4 Laudabo cantabo Dominum in vita mea psallam Deo meo quamdiu fuero.

Concerto V  Matthew 11: 28–30
5 Venite ad omnes qui laboratis et onerati estis et ego reficiam vos.

Tollite jugum meum super vos et discite a me quia mitis sum et humilis corde et invenietis requiem animabus vestris. Jugum enim meum suave est et onus meum leve.

Concerto VI  Psalm 100: 28–30
6 Jubilate Deo omnis terra servite Domino in laetitia Introite in conspectu ejus in exultatione. Scitote quoniam Dominus ipse est Deus ipse fecit nos et non ipsi nos.

Populus ejus et oves pascuae ejus atra ejus in hymnis confitebimini illi. Laudate nomen ejus quoniam suavis est Dominus in aeternum misericordia ejus et usque in generationem et generationem veritas ejus.

Concerto VII  Canticles passim
7 Anima mea liquefacta est ut dilectus locutus est. Vox enim ejus dulcis et facies ejus decora. Labia ejus lilia stillantia myrrham primam.

Concerto VIII  Canticles 5: 8
8 Adjuro vos filiae Jerusalem si inveneritis dilectum meum ut nuncietis eum quia amore languo.

Concerto IX  Canticles 4: 1–5

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O Come with me from Lebanon, my spouse, with me from Lebanon.
Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.
I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
He looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son! Who shall let me die for you? O Absalom, my son, my son!
Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.
I am come into my garden, my sister, my spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spic; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk: eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.

O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
Praise him with stringed instruments and organs:
praise him with the timbrel and dance
Sing, joy and give praise, give praise skilfully.

Concerto XX
Psalm 150: 4; Ps. passim
10 Jubilate Deo in chordis et organo,
in tympano et choro.
Cantate et exsultate et psallite, psallite sapienter.

Symphoniae sacrae II

Concerto I
Psalm 57: 8–11
1 Mein Herz ist bereit, Gott, mein Herz ist bereit,
daß ich singe und lobe.
Wach auf, meine Ehre, wach auf, Psalter und
Harfe! Frühe will ich aufstehen.
Herr, ich will dir danken unter den Völkern, ich
will dir lobesingen unter den Leuten.
Denn deine Güte ist soweit der Himmel ist, und
deine Wahrheit, soweit die Wolken gehen.

Concerto II
Psalm 96: 1–4
2 Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied; singet dem
Herrn, alle Welt!
Singet dem Herrn und lobet seinen Namen; predigt
einen Tag am andern sein Heil!
Erzählet unter den Heiden seine Ehre, unter allen
Völkern seine Wunder!
Denn der Herr ist groß und hoch zu loben,
wunderbarlich über alle Götter.

Concerto III
Psalm 8
3 Herr, unser Herrscher, wie herrlich ist dein Nam in
allen Landen, da man dir danket im Himmel!
Aus dem Munde der jungen Kinder und Säuglinge
hast du eine Macht zugedacht, um deiner Feinde
willen, daß du vertilgest den Feind und den
Rachgierigen.
Denn ich werde sehen die Himmel, deiner Finger
Werk, den Monden und die Sternen, die du bereitest.
Was ist der Mensch, daß du sein gedenkest; und des
Menschen Kind, daß du dich sein annimmst?

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My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing
and give praise.
Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I
myself will awake early.
I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing
unto thee among the nations.
For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth
unto the clouds.

O sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord,
all the earth.
Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; shew forth his
salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders
among all people.
For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to
be feared above all gods.

O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the
earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou
ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou
mightest still the enemy and the avenger.
When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers,
the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;
What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the
son of man, that thou visitest him?

Du wirst ihn zum Herren machen über deiner Hände Werk; alles hast du unter seine Füße getan: Schaf und Ochsen allzumal, dazu auch die wilden Thier, die Vögel unter dem Himmel und die Fisch im Meer und was im Meer geht. Herr, unser Herrscher, wie herrlich ist dein Nam in allen Landen!

**Concerto IV**


Und seine Barmherzigkeit währet immer für und für bei denen, die ihn fürchten.

Er übet Gewalt mithis Arm, er zerstreuet, die hoffärtig sind in ihres Herzens Sinn.

Er übet Gewalt mit seinem Arm, er zerstreuet, die gewaltigen vom Stuhl und erhöhet die hoffärtig sind in ihres Herzens Sinn.

Und der Herr antwortet mir, und halb mir aus allen meinen Nöten.

**Concerto V**

*Exodus (2. Buch Moses) 15: 2, 11; Psalm 104: 33*

5 Der Herr ist meine Stärke und Lobgesang und ist mein Heil. Er ist mein Gott, ich will ihn preisen; er ist meines Vaters Gott, ich will ihn erheben.

Herr, wer ist dir gleich unter den Göttern, der so mächtig, so heilig, so schrecklich, so loblich, so wundertätig ist!

Ich will dem Herrn singen, singen will ich dem Herrn mein Leben lang, und meinen Gott loben, so lang’ ich he’ bin.

**Concerto VI**

*Psalm 118: 17; Ps. 116: 3–4; Ps. 34: 7*

6 Ich werde nicht sterben, sondern leben und des Herren Lob verkündigen.

Stricke des Todes hatten mich umfangen, und Angst der Höllen hatten mich troffen; ich kam in Jammer und Not.

Aber ich rief an den Namen des Herren: O Herr, errette meine Seele!

Und der Herr antwortet mir, und halb mir aus allen meinen Nöten.

**Concerto VII**

*Psalm 111: 1; Ps. 116: 8–9; Ps. 103: 2–5; Ps. 118: 17*

7 Ich danke dir Herr von ganzem Herzen


Lobe den Herrn, meine Seele, und vergiss nicht, was er dir Guts getan hat.

Der dir alle deine Sünde vergiebet und heilet alle deine Gebrechen,

der dein Leben vom Verderben erlöset, der dich krönet mit Gnaden und Barmherzigkeit,

der deinen Mund frohlich macht, dass du wieder jung wirst, wie ein Adler.

Ich werde nicht sterben, sondern leben und des Herren Lob verkündigen.
**Concerto VIII**

*Psalm 18: 2–7*

8 Herzlich lieb hab ich dich, Herr, meine Stärke, mein Fels, meine Burg, mein Erretter, mein Gott, mein Hort, auf den ich trau, mein Schild und Horn meines Heils, und mein Schutz!

Ich will den Herren singen und anrufen, so werd ich von meinen Feinden erlöset.

Denn es umfingen mich des Todes Bande, und die Bäche Beisal erschreckten mich; und des Todes Stricke überwältigten mich.

Wenn mir angst ist, so rufe ich den Herrn an und schrei zu meinem Gott, so höret er meine Stimme von seinem Tempel, und mein Geschrei kommt für ihn zu seinen Ohren.

**Concerto IX**

*Psalm 47: 2–7*

9 Frohlocket mit Händen, und jauchzet dem Herrn herzlich lieb hab ich dich, Herr, mit einer Stärke, mit einem lobet ihn mit Psalter und Harfen!

Lobet den Herren mit Pauken und Reigen, lobt ihn mit Saiten und Pfeifen, lobt ihn mit hellen Cymbalen, lobt ihn mit wohlklingenden Cymbalen!

Alles, was Odem hat, lobe den Herrn! Alleluja!

**Concerto X**

*Psalm 150*

10 Lobet den Herrn in seinem Heiligtum, lobet den Herrn in der Feste seiner Macht, lobt ihn in seinen Taten, lobet ihn in seiner großen Herrlichkeit!

Lobet den Herrn mit Posaunen, lobet ihn mit Psalter und Harfen!

I will love thee, O Lord my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me.

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.
**Concerto XIV**  
*Martin Luther, 1529*

2 Verleih uns Frieden genüglich,  
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.  
Denn du, unser Gott, alleine.

3 Gib unsern Fürsten und aller Obrigkeit  
Fried und gütlich tun in seinem Leben.

4 Erleheit uns Frieden genüglich,  
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.  
Es ist doch ja kein ander nicht,  
der für uns könne streiten,  
und mehr demin Gott, alleine.

**Concerto XV**  
*Johann Walter, 1566*

5 Der Herr ist mein Licht und mein Heil; für wem sollst' ich mich fürchten?  
Der Herr ist meines Lebens Kraft; für wem soll' mir grauen?

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**Concerto XVI**  
*Psalm 68: 2–4*

9 Der Herr ist mein Licht und mein Heil; für wem sollst' ich mich fürchten?  
Der Herr ist meines Lebens Kraft; für wem soll' mir grauen?

**Concerto XVII**  
*Ecclesiasticus (Das Buch Sirach) 32: 7–8*

10 Der Herr ist mein Licht und mein Heil; für wem sollst' ich mich fürchten?  
Der Herr ist meines Lebens Kraft; für wem soll' mir grauen?

**Concerto XVIII**  
*Ecclesiastes (Der Prediger Salomo) 9: 7; 3: 12; 8: 15; 3: 13*

11 Der Herr ist mein Licht und mein Heil; für wem sollst' ich mich fürchten?  
Der Herr ist meines Lebens Kraft; für wem soll' mir grauen?

**Concerto XIX**  
*Psalm 27: 1–3, 5, 6*

12 Der Herr ist mein Licht und mein Heil; für wem sollst' ich mich fürchten?  
Der Herr ist meines Lebens Kraft; für wem soll' mir grauen?

**Concerto XX**  
*Proverbs (Sprüche Salomons) 30: 7–9*

13 Der Herr ist mein Licht und mein Heil; für wem sollst' ich mich fürchten?  
Der Herr ist meines Lebens Kraft; für wem soll' mir grauen?
Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.
Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.
Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children; I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the Lord’s name is to be praised.
Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore
The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.
Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high,
He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill;
He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.

O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.
For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Alleluja

Ye that fear the Lord, wait for his mercy; and go not aside, lest ye fall.
Ye that fear the Lord, hope for good, and for everlasting joy and mercy.
Ye that fear the Lord, believe him; and your reward shall not fail.

Look at the generations of old, and see; did ever any trust in the Lord, and was confounded? or did any abide in his fear, and was forsaken? or whom did he ever despise, that called upon him?

For the Lord is full of compassion and mercy, forgiveth sins, and saveth in time of affliction.

With three things my spirit is pleased, which are approved before God and men: the concord of brethren.

It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron’s beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;
As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion
Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!
With three things my spirit is pleased, which are approved before God and men: the love of neighbours.

For better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.
Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

With three things my spirit is pleased, which are approved before God and men:

man and wife that agree well together.

So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled.

This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the Church.

With three things my spirit is pleased, which are approved before God and men:

For there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore

I shall not foresake God, for He will not forsake me, He leads me on the right path, lest I go astray,

He leads me by the hand, He provides for me at the beginning and the end of the day, wherever I may dwell.

If all men turn against me God will be with me, his power and mercy are forever,

Lobt ihn mit Herz und Munde, Welchs er uns beides schenkt! Das ist ein selig Stunde, Darin man sein gedenkt. Sonst verdürbt alle Zeit, Die wir zu bringen auf Erden; Wir sollen selig werden Und leb’n in Ewigkeit.

He helps us in all our troubles, He delivers us from sin and shame, from chains and from bondage, even from death.

I will put my trust in Him in my time of trial, I will not regret it, He will end all my sorrow, I shall live it to him. My body, my soul, my life I shall entrust to the Lord, his will be done.

He does not only What is best for me He wants the best for all of us He has sent us Jesus Christ His dear son and through Him he feeds body and soul, Glory be to him.

Praise Him with your lips and your hearts, for He has given us both. Blessed be the hour When we worship Him, without it all time on earth is wasted, for we belong to Him, and shall have everlasting life.
Even if the world perishes
with all its vanity,
when pride and riches
which we covet lose their value,
when we are dead,
we will be buried deep in the earth
and when we have slept,
God will awaken us.

The soul shall not perish,
it is safe in Abraham’s lap,
the body shall be reborn,
free from all sin,
holy and pure,
a child and heir of the Lord,
let not the devil’s cunning
confound you.

Therefore, though I may suffer
Adversity now,
though I may sin,
eternal life will follow
with all its joys
which will be mine
without end
because I know Jesus.

That is the will of the Father,
who made us,
His son has brought us
Riches and boundless mercy.
May God the Holy Spirit
Strengthen our faith
and lead us to the Kingdom;
Praise, Glory and Honour be to Him.

Auch wenn die Welt vergeht
Mit ihrer stolzen Pracht,
weil’s Ehr’ noch Gut bestehet,
welches von war gross geacht;
 wir werden nach dem Tod
tief in den Erd’ begraben,
 wenn wir geschlafen haben
will uns erwecken Gott.

Die Seel’ bleibt unverloren,
geführt in Abram’s Schooss,
der leib wird neu geboren
vom allen Sünden los,
ganz heilig, rein und zart,
ein Mind eund Erb’ des Herren,
daran muss uns nicht irren
des Teufels listig Art.

D arum, ob ich schon dulde
Hier Widerwärigkeit,
Wie ich auch wohl verschulde,
Kommt doch die Ewigkeit,
ist aller Freuden voll;
Dieselb ohm’ eings Ende,
Die weich ich Christum kenne,
 Mir widerfahren soll.

Das ist des Vaters Wille,
Der uns geschaffen hat;
Sein Sohn hat Guts die Fülle
Erworben durch sein Gnäd;
Auch Gott der heilg Geist
Im Glauben uns regiert,
Zum Reich der Himmel führet.
Ihm sei Loh, Ehr’ und Preis. Amen.

Concerto XXVII
Psalm 33: 1–3
5 Freuet euch des Herren, ihr Gerechten, die
Frommen sollen ihn schön preisen.
Danket dem Herrn mit Harfen.
Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied; macht es gut auf
Saitenspiel mit Schalle.

Psalm 33: 1–3
5 Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for praise is
comely for the upright.
Praise the Lord with harp: sing unto him with the
psaltery and an instrument of ten strings. Sing unto
him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.
Weihnachtshistorie

Introduction or Entry
The birth of our Lord Jesus Christ as it is told by the Saint Evangelists

Evangelist (Lukas 2: 1–19)
Es begab sich aber zu derselben Zeit dass ein Gebot von dem Kaiser Augustus ausging, daß alle Welt geschätzt würde, und diese Schätzung war die erste und geschah zu der Zeit, da Cyrenius Landpfleger in Syrien war, und jedermann ging, daß er sich schätzen ließe, ein jeglicher in seine Stadt. Da machte sich auch auf Joseph aus Galiläa, aus der Stadt Nazareth in das jüdische Land zu der Stadt David, die da heißt Bethlehem, darum daß er von dem Hause und Geschlechte Davids war, auf daß er sich schätzen ließe mit Maria, seinem vertrauten Weibe, die war schwanger. Und als sie daselbst waren kam die Zeit, daß sie gebären sollte, und sie gebär ihren ersten Sohn und wickelte ihn in Windeln und legte ihn in eine Krippe, denn sie hatten sonst keinen Raum in der Herberge. Und es waren Hirten in derselbigen Gegend auf dem Felde, die hüteten des Nachts ihre Herde, und siehe des Herren Engel trat zu ihnen und die Klarheit des Herren leuchtet um sie und sie furchten sich sehr, und der Engel sprach zu ihnen:

Intermedium I
Der Engel zu den Hirten auf dem Felde (Worumrung bisweilen des Christkindleins Wiege mit eingeführt wird.)
Fürchtet euch nicht. Siehe, ich verkündige euch große Freude, die allem Volke widerfahren wird. Denn euch ist heute der Heiland geboren, welcher ist der heilige Saviour, der Herr und König, von dem Engel, ehe der Engel sprach zu ihnen:

Evangelist
And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them:

The angel to the shepherds in the field (The cradle of the baby Jesus is occasionally brought out at this point.)
Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

The multitude of angels
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Evangelist
And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another:

Die Menge der Engel
Ehre sei Gott in der Höhe Friede auf Erden und den Menschen ein Wohlgefallen.

Evangelist
Und da die Engel von ihnen gen Himmel fuhren, sprachen die Hirten unter einander:

Die Hirten auf dem Felde
Lasset uns nun gehen gen Bethlehem und die Geschichte sehen, die da geschehen ist, und der Herr uns kund getan hat.

Evangelist
And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

Evangelist
And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcision of the child, his name was called Jesus, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.
Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying:

Intermedium IV
Die Weisen aus Morgenlande
13 Wo ist der neugeborene König der Juden?
Wir haben seinen Stern gesehen im Morgenlande und sind gekommen, ihn anzubeten.

Evangelist
14 Da das der König Herodes hörte, erschrak er und mit ihm das ganze Jerusalem und ließ versammeln alle Hohenpriester und Schriftgelehrten unter dem Volk und erforschte von ihnen, wo Christus sollte geboren werden, und sie sagten ihm:

Intermedium V
Hohenpriester und Schriftgelehrte
15 Zu Bethlehem im jüdischen Lande, denn also steht geschrieben durch den Propheten: und du Bethlehem im jüdischen Lande du bist mitnichten die kleinste im jüdischen Lande, du bist mitnichten die kleinste unter den Fürsten Juda, denn aus dir soll mir kommen der Herzog der über mein Volk Israel ein Herr sei.

Evangelist
16 Da berief Herodes die Weisen heimlich und erlernete mit Fleiß von ihnen, wann der Stern erschienen wäre, und weisete sie gen Bethlehem und sprach:

Intermedium VI
Herodes
17 Ziehet hin und forscht fleißig nach dem Kindlein, und wenn ihr’s findet, so saget mir es wieder, daß ich auch komme und es anbete.

Evangelist
18 Als sie nun den König gehört hatten, zogen sie hin, und siehe, der Stern, den sie im Morgenlande gesehen hatten, ging für ihnen hin, bis daß er kam und stund oben über, da das Kindlein war. Da sie den Stern sahen, wurden sie hoch erfreuet und gingen in das Haus und fanden das Kindlein mit Maria seiner Mutter und fielen nieder und beteten es an und taten ihre Schätze auf, und schenkten ihm Gold Weihrauch und Myrrhen. Und Gott befahl ihnen im Traum, daß sie sich nicht sollten wieder zu Herodes lenken, und sie zogen durch einen andern Weg wieder in ihr Land. Da sie aber hinweggezogen waren, da erschien der Engel des Herrn dem Joseph im Traum und sprach:

Intermedium VII
Der Engel
19 Stehe auf, Joseph, und nimm das Kindlein und seine Mutter zu dir und fleuch in Ägyptenland, und bleibe allda, bis ich dir sage, denn es ist vorhanden, daß Herodes das Kindlein suche, dasselbe umzubringen.

Herodes
Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.
And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee and came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.

Conclusion
of the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

We all thank God, our Lord Christ, who through his birth enlightened us and through his blood delivered us from the devil’s grip. We all shall sing aloud with his angels. Glory to God in the highest.

Translations (CD 1–5): Hugh Ward-Perkins & Sonia Cazzanello
O dear, o sweet, o kind Jesus,
I pray to you through your holy blood, you were so dignified to shed for us miserable man
On the altar of the cross to take away all my sins.

And do not turn me down, me who submissively implore and invoke your most holy name: Jesus.

God, have mercy upon us and bless us, let his face shine on us and have mercy upon us.

What have you forfeited, o you most blissful boy that you were condemned in such a way? What have you committed, o most kindly young man, that you have been maltreated so badly? What is your crime, what your guilt, what the reason for your death, your damnation?

I am the plague of your Passion, the reason for your guilt, the merit of your death, I am the shame of your punishment, the opening of the wounds of your suffering, the fear of your torture.

For I have done wrong, you suffered punishment, I committed the crime, you were punished with revenge, I was supercilious, you low, I was proud, you weak, I indulged in pleasures, you suffered pangs of death, I desired sweet fruit, you tasted bitter bile.
I am sleeping, but my heart is awake.
Open for me, my sister, my dove,
My pious one,
As my head is full of dew and
My curls full of the moistness of night.

You have taken my heart away,
Dearest sister, with one of your eyes and
One of your necklaces.

Woe me, O Lord, how much have
I sinned in my life!
What shall I do, poor me, where shall I find
shelter if not with you, my Lord,
When you will come at Last Judgement,
Have mercy upon me.

Lord, I trust in you, let me
Never be ruined; rescue me
By means of your justice; incline your
Ears to me, rush to help me!

Dearest and most benevolent Christ,
Fill my heart, so I pray to you,
With the abundance of your leniency
And love so that I neither desire nor think
Of any worldly, any fleshy things,
But love only you, have only you
On my lips and in my heart.
Look, Father, at your dearest Son, for me burdened with shame,
Look, most benevolent Emperor how he is suffering and think mercifully of the one he suffers for.

Isn't he, my Lord and Master, Innocent, he, you have given as son to rescue me, your servant.

Turn, Lord, my God, your magnificent look to the work of the indescribable love, Look at your dearest son stretched out the whole body, See the hands having done no harm, Flooded by his dear blood and appeased forgive the misdeeds, My hands have committed.

Your great love, o dear Jesus, Surmounts all wisdom, the love you have rendered us, the unworthy ones, Only by means of your grace and piety, You took human shape, not the one of an angel, Illuminated them with the cloak of immortality, Ascended above all heavens, above the angels’ choirs, Above cherubim and seraphim to the Father’s right.

Te laudant angeli, adorant dominationes, et omnes virtutes coelorum tremunt super se et super hominem Deum.

Cantio XXV Secunda pars

5 Pro hoc magno mysterio pietatis benedico et glorifico nomen sanctum tuum, Rex Christe, fili Mariae, fili Dei viventis. Tibi sit honor et gloria cum patre et sancto spiritu in sempiterna saecula.

Cantio XXVI Prima pars

Psalm 130

6 Domine, non est exaltatum cor meum, neque elati sunt oculi mei neque ambulavi in magnis neque in mirabilibus super me.

Cantio XXVII Secunda pars

7 Si non humiliter sentiebam, sed exaltavi animam meam, sicut ablactatus est super materam suam, ita retributo in anima mea.

Cantio XXVIII Tertia pars

8 Speret Israel in Domino ex hoc nunc et usque in saeculum. I

Cantio XXIX

Psalm 149: 1–3

9 Cantate Domine canticum novum, laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum, et filiae Syon exultent in rege suo. Laudent nomen eius in tympano et choro, in psalterio psallant ei.

The angels praise you, all authorities And all heavenly powers pray to you, They shakily see man raised to God.

For such a great secret of your love I will extol and praise your holy name, Christ, Mary’s son, Son of the living God. Glory and praise for you with the Father And the Holy Ghost from eternity to eternity.

Lord, my heart is not vainglorious And my eyes are not proud; I am not engaged in matters Which are far beyond me.

Yes, I have set and satisfied my soul; So my soul rests in me like A weaned child with his Mother.

Israel, hope for the Lord, from now on To all eternity.

Sing a new song for the Lord, The community of the saints shall praise Him. Israel shall be glad about him who Has created it, the children of Zion Shall be happy about their King. They shall praise his name with drums and choirs, with harps they shall play for him.
In the arms of my Saviour I will Live and die. There I safely will praise and Laud you, my Lord, As you have accepted me, So that my foes will not triumph Over me.

Come, I beg you, into my heart and make It drunken with the wealth of your Bliss, So I may forget all that is only fleeting. Help me, my Lord God, And set your joy into my heart, Come to me, so I may see you.

Look, my intercessor is with you, Divine Father, Look, my high priest, who has passed into the holy by His own blood, See the holy, perfect sacrifice, For its sweet smell offered and Accepted, Look, this is the immaculate Lamb, Getting dumb in the presence of its shearer, Beaten on the cheeks, bespattered with spittle, Derided and scoffed, But has not spoken up. Look, the one who has not known anything about sin bore for us our trespasses And healed our pains with his wounds. By means of this highest mediator, Priest and Saviour, hear us, most merciful Father.

O Lord, do not punish me in your fury And do not chastise me in your rage. Have mercy upon me for I am weak; Heal me, Lord, as my mind Is frightened, And my soul is very frightened, O, you, Lord, how long? Turn to me, my Lord, and save My soul, help me for the sake of your grace.

For in death you won't be remembered, Who will thank you in hell? I am so tired from sighing, I moisten my bed all night long And wet my rest with my tears. My figure has got wasted because of all sorrow and has got old between my foes.

Get thee behind me, all evil-doers, As the Lord hears the voice of My tears. The Lord hears my prayers, My prayer the Lord accepts. My foes have to be ruined and Will be frightened and be deterred And will be ruined at once.

Everyone's eyes wait for you, o Lord, And you will feed them In due course. You open your hand and appease Everyone's hunger with pleasure.
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<td><strong>17</strong> Pater noster qui es in coelis, Sanctificetur nomen tuum, Adveniat regnum tuum Fiat voluntas tua sicut in coelo et in terra, Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie Et remittte nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos remittimus debitoribus nostris, Et ne nos inducas in tentationem Sed libera nos a malo Quia tuum est regnum et potestas et gloria in secula seculorum, Amen.</td>
<td><strong>18</strong> Domine Deus, pater coelestis, benedic nobis et his donis tuis, quae de tua largitate sumimus, per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum, Amen.</td>
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<td><strong>19</strong> Confitemini Domino, quoniam ipse bonus, quoniam in seculum misericordia eius, qui dat escam omni carni, qui dat iumentis escam ipsorum et pullis corvorum invocantibus eum. Non in fortitudine equi voluntatem habebit, neque in tibis viri beneplacitum erit et. Beneplacitum est Domino super timentes eum et in eis qui sperant super misericordia eius.</td>
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<td>Our Father who art in Heaven Hallowed be thy name Thy kingdom come Thy will be done on earth As in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread And forgive us our trespasses As we forgive those who trespass against us And lead us not into temptation But deliver us from evil For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory For ever to ever, Amen.</td>
<td><strong>21</strong> Gratias agimus tibi, Domine Deus Pater, per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum, pro universis beneficis tuis, qui vivis et regnas in secula seculorum, Amen.</td>
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**Kleine geistliche Concerte I**

**Concerto I**

Psalm 70

1 Make haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O Lord.
Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul;
Let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.
Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.
Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee:
and let such as love thy salvation say continually,
Let God be magnified.

2 But I am poor and needy;
Make haste unto me, O God;
Thou art my help and my deliver;
O Lord, make no tarrying

**Concerto II**

Psalm 66:4

2 Bringt her dem Herren, ihr Gewaltigen,
Bringt her dem Herren, Ehre und Stärke,
Alleluja.
Bringt her dem Herren, Ehre seines Namens,
betet an den Herren im heiligen Schmuck,
Alleluja.
Alle Lande beten dich an und lobsingen dir,
lobsingen deinem Namen,
Alleluja.

Give unto the Lord, O ye sons of the mighty,
Give unto the Lord the glory and strenght.
Hallelujah.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holines.
Hallelujah.

All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee;
they shall sing to thy name.
Hallelujah.

**Concerto III**

Psalm 111

3 I will praise the Lord with my whole heart,
in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.
The works of the Lord are great,
sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.
His work is honourable and glorious;
and his righteousness endureth for ever.
He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
He hath given meat unto them that fear him;
he will ever be mindful of his covenant.
He hath shewed his people the power of his works,
that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.
The works of his hands are verity and judgement;
all his commandments are sure.
They stand fast for ever and ever,
and are done in truth and uprightness.
He sent redemption unto his people;
he hath commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and reverend is his name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have all the that do his commandments;
his praise endureth for ever.

**Concerto IV**

Mannuale Divi Augustini, as translated into German by Martin Moller

4 O süßer, o freundlicher, o gütiger Herr Jesu Christe,
how greatly You have loved us miserable people,
at what a cost You have redeemed us,
how charmingly You have comforted us,
how splendidly You have made us,
how powerfully You have raised us up;
my Savior, how my heart rejoices,
my Savior, when I recall all this,
for the more I recall it,
the friendlier You are,
the dearer You are to me.
My Redeemer,
how splendid are Your benefits
that You have showed us,
how great is the splendor
You have prepared for us.
Oh, how my soul desires You,
how I yearn with all my strength to leave this misery for
the heavenly homeland.
My Helper, you have stolen my heart
with Your love,
so that I yearn for you uninterruptedly,
desiring to come to You soon
and see Your splendor.

Great is the Lord,
and greatly to be praised;
and his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall praise thy works to another,
and shall declare thy mighty acts.
Hallelujah.

O dear Lord God,
awaken us so we will be ready
when Your Son comes,
to receive Him with joy
and to serve You with a pure heart
through Him, Your beloved Son,
Jesus Christ, Amen.

Concerto VII
Psalm 30: 4–5
7 Ihr Heiligen, leusinet dem Herren,
danket und preiset seine Herrlichkeit,
denn sein Zorn währert einen Augenblick,
und er hat Lust zum Leben.
Den Abend lang währert das Weinen,
aber des Morgens die Freude.

Concerto VIII
Psalm 4: 1; Psalm 5: 2
8 Erhöre mich, wenn ich rufe,
Gott meiner Gerechtigkeit,
der du mich tröstest in Angst,
sei mir gnädig, und erhöre mein Gebet,
vernimm mein Schreien,
mein König und mein Gott.

Concerto IX
Psalm 1: 1–3
9 Wohl dem, der nicht wandelt im Rat der Gottlosen,
noch tritt auf den Weg der Sünder,
noch sitzet da die Spötter sitzen,
sondern hat Lust zum Gesetze des Herrn
und redet von Lust zum Gesetze des Herrn
und redet von seinem Gesetze Tag und Nacht.
Der ist wie ein Baum gepflanzt an den
Wasserbächen,
that bringeth forth his fruit in his season;
and his leaf also shall not wither;
and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.
Hallelujah.

Sing unto the Lord, O ye saints of his,
and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.
For his anger endureth but for a moment;
in his favour is life;
weeping may endure for a night;
but joy cometh in the morning.

Hear me when I call,
O God of my righteousness;
thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress;
have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.
Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my Kind, and my God.

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the
ungodly,
nor standeth in the way of sinners,
nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
But his delight is in the law of the Lord;
and in his law doth he meditate day and night.
And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of
water,
Concerto X
Psalm 51: 10–12
10 Great in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Concerto XI
Psalm 14: 2–3
11 The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God. They are all gone aside; they are all together become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Concerto XII
Psalm 9: 11–12
12 Sing praises to the Lord, which dwelleth in Zion; declare among the people his doings. When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them; he forgettest not the cry of the humble.

Concerto XIII
Psalm 27: 4
13 One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple.

Concerto XIV
Michael Weisse’s 16th-century translation of the 14th-century Latin hymn ‘Patris sapientia’
14 Oh help us, Christ, Son of God, through Your bitter passion, to be always subject to You and avoid all vice, to reflect profitably on Your death and its cause and, although poor and weak, to grant you thank offerings in return.

Concerto XV
Isaiah 41: 10
15 Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right of my righteousness. Hallelujah.

Concerto XVI
Psalm 118: 25–26; Matthew 21: 9
1 Save now, I beseech thee, O Lord; O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity. Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Concerto XVII
1 John 1: 7
2 The blood of Jesus Christ, his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life which now is, and of that which is to come.

Heaven and earth shy pass away; but my words shall not pass away.

Now come, Savior of the heathen, recognized as the Virgin's Child, so that all the world marvels that God ordained such a birth for Him.

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and justice henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts shall perform this.

We all believe in one God, Creator of heaven and earth, Who offered himself as a father that we might become His children;

We will nourish us always, and preserve our body and soul; He will defend us against all mishap, no suffering will befal us. He cares for us, watches and guards; everything is in His power.

See, my advocate is in heaven at the right hand of the Father; see, my high priest, Who by means of His own blood has entered sanctity, and has won an eternal redemption; see, the holy, perfect victim, offering and accepted in a sweet fragrance; see, this is the unspotted lamb Who fallen silent in the face of His shearer, struck on the cheek, spattered with saliva, mocked and jeered at, did not open His mouth. See, He who knew of no sin, has for our sake been made the scapegoat, and has burdened Himself with our pain and has healed us with His wounds.

Through Him, our sole intercessor and high priest, grant us our wishes kindly, O merciful father.

1. I have commended my affairs to God; He may do with me as He likes; if I am to live longer here, I shall not oppose; I submit myself to His wishes.
2. Mein Zeit und Stund ist, wann Gott will,
ich schreib ihm nicht für Maß noch Ziel,
es sind gezählt all Härlein mein,
beid groß und klein, fällt keines ohn den Willen sein.

3. Es ist allhier ein Jammertal,
Angst, Not und Trübsal überall,
des Bleibens ist ein kleine Zeit,
voller Mühseligkeit, und wers bedenkt,
ist immer im Streit.

4. Was ist der Mensch, ein Erdenkloß,
von Mutterleib kommt er nacket und bloß,
bringt nichts mit sich auf diese Welt,
kein Gut noch Geld, nimmt nichts mit sich,
en wenn er hinfällt.

5. Es hilft kein Reichtum, Geld noch Gut,
kein Kunst noch Gunst, kein stolzer Mut,
fürn Tod kein Kraut gewachsen ist,
mein frommer Christ, alles was lebet, sterblich ist.

6. Heut sind wir frisch, gesund und stark,
bald morgen tot und liegen im Sarg,
heut blühn wir wie ein Rose rot,
bald krank und tot, ist allenhalben Muth und Not.

7. Man trägt eins nach dem andern hin,
wohl aus den Augen und dem Sinn,
die Welt vergisst unser bald,
sein jung oder alt, auch unser Ehren mannigfalt.

8. Ach Herr, lehr uns bedenken wohl,
daß wir sind sterblich allzumal,
auch wir allhier kein Bleibens han,
müssen all davon, gelehr, reich, jung, alt oder schön.

9. Das macht die Sünd, o treuer Gott,
dadurch ist komm’n der bittre Tod,
der nimmt und frisbt all Menschenkind,
wie er sie findt, fragt nicht, was Stands o’dv Ehrn sie sind.

10. Ich hab hie wenig guter Tag,
mein täglich Brot ist Müh und Klug,
werden mein Gott will, so will ich mit hinfahren im Fried,
sterben ist mein Gwinn und schadet mir nicht.

11. Und ob mich schon mein Sünd anficht,
dennnoch will ich verzagen nicht, ich weiß, daß mein
getreuer Gott für mich in Tod
sein liebsten Sohn gegeben hat.

12. Derselbig mein Herr Jesu Christ
für all mein Sünd gestorben ist,
und auferstanden mir zu gut,
der Hölle Glut gelöscht mit seinem teuren Blut.

13. Dem leb und sterb ich alle Zeit,
von ihm der bittre Tod mich nicht scheidt,
ich leb oder sterb, so bin ich sein,
er ist allein der einge Trost und Helfer mein.

14. Das ist mein Trost zu aller Zeit,
in allem Kreuz und Traurigkeit,
ich weiß, daß ich am jüngsten Tag
ohne alle Klag werd auferstehn aus meinem Grab.

15. Mein lieber frommer, getreuer Gott
all mein Gebein bewahren tut,
da wird nicht eins vom Leibe mein,
sei groß oder klein,
umkommen noch verloren sein.
16. I shall see my dear God
face to face, I have no doubt of it,
in the eternal joy and splendor that are ready for me;
His be laud and praise eternally.

17. O Jesus Christ, Son of God,
Who have done enough for us,
Ah, anclose me in Your wounds;
You alone are my sole consoler and helper.

18. Amen, my dear, pious God,
bescher us alln ein seligen Tod,
hilf, daß wir mögen allzugleich
bald in dein Reich kommen und bleiben ewiglich.

Compact Disc 10

Il Primo Libro de Madrigali

Madrigale I Prima parte
G. B. Guarini, Pastor Fido, Atto III, scena I
1 O prim avera, gioventù de l’anno,
bella madre di fiori,
d’herbe novelle, di novelli amori,
tu torni ben, ma teco non tornano
i sereni e fortunati dì delle mie gioie,
che del perduto mio caro tesoro
la rimembranza miser a e dolente,
tu quella sè, ch’eri pur dianzi
si vezzosa e bella,
ma non son io quel ch’un tempo fui,
si caro agli occhi altrui.

Madrigale II Seconda parte
2 O dolcezze am arissi m e d’am ore,
quant o è più duro perdervi,
che mai non v ‘haver
ò provate ò possedute,
come sarìa l’amor felice stato,
se ‘l già goduto ben non si perdesse
o quando egli si perde,
egni memoria ancora
del dileguato ben si dileguasse.

Madrigale III
G. B. Guarini, Pastor Fido, Atto V, scena VIII
3 Selve beate,
se sospirando in flebili susurri
a nostro lamentar vi lamentaste,
gioste e tante lingue scogliete,
quant e frondi scherzano al suon di queste,
piene del gioir nostro a u re ridenti.

O Spring, youth of the year,
Fair mother of flowers,
Of new grass and new loves,
You return, but with you
The serene and happy days of my joy do not return,
But only the loss of my dear love
And the woeful, painful memory.
You are still what you used to be,
As charming and fair.
But I am not what I once was,
So dear in the eyes of another.

O most bitter sweetness of love,
How much harder to have lost you
Than never to have had you at all,
Never to have felt you or possessed you.
How blissful love would be
If once tasted it were not lost.
Yet, if it is to be lost,
Then let all remaining memory
Of the vanished treasure vanish too.

Blessed woods,
If I should sigh in tearful woe,
Then come weep you with me.
But now rejoice with many loosened tongues,
So many leaves laughing at the sound,
And full of our bliss the breezes smile.
Afflicted soul, what will you do?
What will give you life now,
If the one by whom you lived
Has now departed?
Ah, I am mad and blind
To reason with a soul
That I no longer possess.

So I must die
Since no one will hear or defend me;
Thus I am abandoned by everyone,
And deprived of all hope,
Accompanied only
By a last miserable
And woebegone devotion
That does not help me at all.

Alma afflitta, che fai,
chi ti darà più vita,
se colei, per cui vivi,
hoggi è partita?
Ah, son ben folle e cieco,
con l’alma a ragionar,
che non e meco.

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D’orrida selce alpina
cred’io Donna nascesti,
e dalle tigre ircan
il latte havesti,
si dura alle prieghi miei,
se pur tigre anzi pur selce,
ai lasso,
ch’entro un petto di fera
hai cor di sasso.

Admires the young grass and the flowers.
But you Cloris are fairer
In this young season.
You preserve old winter,
Alas, and have engirded your heart
With eternal ice.
Why, cruel nymph,
So fair,
Do you wear the sun in your eyes,
But April in your face?

Of grim Alpine flint
I believe, Lady, you were born,
And by the Hycane tiger
Were you suckled.
As heartbroken to my prayers
As the Tiger and the flinty rock,
Alas!
That in a wild beast’s breast
You should have a heart of stone!

Flee, o my heart,
Do you not see the fair hand
Which conspires with fair eyes
And with her
To take you captive
And cast you in chains?
This sigh, unhappy messenger,
Comes to say that it is useless to flee,
For it is caught and needs must die.

Spring smiles,
Fair Cloris returns,
Listens to the swallow,
Mira l’herbette e i fiori.
Ma tu Clori più bella,
nella stagion novella.
Serbi l’antico verno,
deh, s’hai cinto il cor
di ghiaccio eterno.
Perché, ninfa crudel,
quant’è gentile,
porti neg’occhi il sol,
nel vol’t’aprilè?

Feritevi, ferite, viperette mordaci,
dolci guerriere ardite
del dilett’e d’amor bocche sagaci,
saettatevi pur’ vibrat’ ardentì,
l’armi vostre pungenti,
ma le morti sien vite,
ma le guerre sien paci,
sien saette le lingue,
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The flame that fetters,
The fetter art thou who inflames,
O dear, sweet enchantment of love,
Who enkindles my heart,
Girds me in its arm,
And casts a net
That gathers me to my dear one's breast,
That heaven now might show
To the sight of all
A Venus more fair,
And a more valiant Mars.

I am the fallow deer,
Most cruel Silvio,
Who against my will,
You have vanquished and captured;
Living if you hold me,
Dead if you set me free.

She greets me,
But in that sweet curtsy
Hides from my sight
Her fair eyes
And divine countenance.
O merciful in aspect
And cruel in effect,
What will you, so miserly in tenderness,
If using courtesy
You make yourself more coy?

I die, see how I die.
I have railed at you enough;
Too high I dared to raise my hopes;
In trust I ask your pardon,
And in token a sign of peace.
In this bitter extreme of parting,
I will not, without your kiss,
Depart my life.

My dear woods, farewell,
Receive these my last sighs,
Until, released from unjust and cruel bondage,
My cold shade returns
To your beloved shades;
For in doleful Hell
I cannot burn, for I am innocent,
Nor can I stay among the blessed spirits
Despairing and griefstricken.
Madrigale XVI
G. B. Marino
16 Tornate o cari baci
a ritornarmi in vita,
baci al mio cor digiuno
esca gradita,
voi di quel dolce amaro,
per cui languir m’è caro,
pascete i miei famelici desiri,
baci in cui dolci
provo anco i sospiri.

Return dear kisses
And bring me back to life;
Kisses, to my starving heart
Bring succour;
You, so bittersweet,
For to languish is so sweet to me,
Appease my famished desires,
Kisses in whose sweetness
I still taste my sighs.

Madrigale XVII
G. B. Marino
17 Di marmo siete voi,
donna, a colpi d’amore,
al pianto mio,
e di marmo son io
alle vostr’ere e agli strali suoi
per natura,
per amor io costante
e voi dura.
Ambo stiam sassi
e l’un e l’altro è scoglio,
i di fé e voi d’orgoglio.

Of marble are you all,
Lady, to the blows of love,
To my tears;
And of marble am I
To your wrath and to its darts.
By nature
I am true, and through love,
And you are hard.
We are both rocks,
Both of us unshakeable reefs:
I of faith, and you of pride.

Madrigale XVIII
G. B. Marino
18 Giunto è pur, Lidia, il mio,
non so se deggia dire:
ò partire ò morire,
lasso dirò ben io,
che la morte è partita,
poiché lasciando te
lascio la vita.

Having now come, Lydia,
I know not what to say:
Either to leave or to die;
Wearily I will say then
That death is parting,
For in leaving you
I leave life.

O vast sea in whose bosom
The concordant winds of Highness and Virtue
Make sweet harmony,
My Muse offers you
These devoted utterances
And so, Great Maurice, relish them and thus
Make the rough song harmonious

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Da der Sabbath vergangen war, Maria Magdalena, und die andre Maria, welche genannt wird Jacobi und Salome, und Johanna, und andre mit ihnen, die mit Jesu kommen waren aus Galiläa, kauften und bereiteten die Spezerei, die sie kämen und salbten Jesus, denn den Sabbath über waren sie still nach dem Gesetze. Am Abend aber der Sabbathen, welcher anbricht am Morgen des ersten Tages der Sabbathen sehr früh, da es noch finster war, kommen sie zum Grab, da die Sonne aufging, und trugen die Spezereien, die sie bereit hatten. Und siehe, es geschah ein groß Erdbeben, denn der Engel des Herrn stieg vom Himmel herab, trat hinzu und wälzte den Stein von des Grabes Tür, und setzte sich drauf, und sein Geist war wie der Blitz und seine Kleid weiß als der Schnee. Die Hütter aber erschraken vor Furcht und wurden, als wären sie tot. Die Weber aber sprachen unter einander:

Wer wälzten uns den Stein von des Grabes Tür?

Jünger

Denn er war sehr groß. Und sie sahen dahin und wurden gewahr, daß der Stein abgewälzt war vom Grab, und sie gingen hinein in das Grab und fanden den Leib des Herren Jesu nicht. Da läuft

Maria Magdalena hinweg, solchs nachzusagen, und da die Weber darum bekümmert waren, daß der Leib Jesu nicht da war, siehe, da traten zu ihnen zweene Männer mit glänzenden Kleidern, und sie erschraken und schlugen ihr Angesicht nieder zu der Erden. Da sprachen sie zu ihnen:

Maria Magdalena

Sie haben den Herrn weggenommen aus dem Grab, und wie wissen nicht, wo sie ihn hingelagert haben.

Evangelist

Da ging Petrus und der ander Jünger hinaus und kamen zu dem Grab; es liefen aber die zweene Jünger zugleich, und der ander Jünger ließ zuvor, schneller denn Petrus, und kam am ersten zum it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereofabout, behould, two men stood by them in shining garments: and as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them:

Die zwei Männer im Grab

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saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie, and the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again, and Peter wondered in himself at that which was come to pass. But Mary stood weeping at the sepulchre, and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre, and seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her:

**The Two Angels**

Woman, woman, why weepest thou?

**Evangelist**

She saith unto them:

**Mary Magdalene**

Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

**Evangelist**

And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus saith unto her:

**Jesus**

Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou?

**Evangelist**

She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him:

**Maria Magdalena**

Hear, hast du ihn weggetragen, so sage mir, wo hast du ihn hingeleget, so will ich ihn holen.

**Evangelist**

Sprich Jesus zu ihr:

**Jesus**

Maria!

**Evangelist**

Da wandte sie sich um und spricht zu ihm:

**Maria Magdalena**

Rabbi!

**Evangelist**

Das heißt: Meister!

Sprich Jesus zu ihr:

**Jesus**

Rühre mich nicht an, denn ich bin noch nicht aufgefahren zu meinem Vater: Gehe aber hin zu meinen Brüdern und saget ihnen: Ich fahre auf zu meinem Vater und zu eurem Vater, zu meinem Gott und zu eurem Gott!

**Evangelist**

Dies ist die Maria Magdalena, von welcher Jesus austriet sieben Teufel, welcher er am ersten Tag des Tage der Sabbathen. Und sie ging hin und verkündigtes denen, die mit ihm gewesen waren, die da Leide trugen und weineten, daß sie den Herren gesehen hatte, und solchs hätt` er zu ihr gesagt. Und dieselbig, da sie höreten, daß er lebt und wäre ihr erschienen, glaubten sie nicht.

**Mary Magdalene**

Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

**Evangelist**

Jesus saith unto her:

**Jesus**

Mary!

**Evangelist**

She turned herself, and saith unto him:

**Mary Magdalene**

Rabboni!

**Evangelist**

Which is to say, Master.

**Jesus**

Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God!

**Evangelist**

Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils. And she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept, that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her. And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.
Die Weiber aber gingen hinein in das Grab und sahen einen Jüngling zur rechten Hand sitzen, der hatte ein lang weiß Kleid an, und sie entsetzten sich. Es war der Engel des Herren, er aber sprach zu ihnen:

Der Jüngling am Grab

Evangelist
Und sie gingen schnell zum Grabe hinaus, mit Fürcht und großer Freude, und liefen, daß sie es seinen Jüngern verkündigten; denn es war sie Zittern und Entsetzen ankommen, und sagten niemand nichts, denn sie fürchten sich. Und da sie gingen, seinen Jüngern zu verkündigen, siehe da begegnet ihnen Jesus und sprach:

Jesu
Seid gegrüßet!

Evangelist
Und sie traten zu ihm und griffen an seine Füße und fielen vor ihm nieder. Da sprach Jesus zu ihnen:

Jesus
Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me!

Evangelist
And entering into the sepulchre, they women saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. He was the angel of the Lord and he satih unto them:

The Young Man at the Grave
Be not affrighted: I know that ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay and go quickly, and tell his disciples and Peter that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee, there shall ye see him, as he said unto you. Lo, I have told you!

Evangelist
And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word. They trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid. And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying:

Jesus
All hail.

Evangelist
And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him. Then said Jesus unto them:

Jesus
Da ab hin gingen, siehe, da kamen etliche von den Hüttern in die Stadt und verkündigten den Hohenpriestern alles, was geschehen war. Und sie kamen zusammen mit den Ältesten und hielten einen Rat und gaben den Kriegsknechten Geldes genug und sprachen:

Die Hohenpriester
Saget, seine Jünger kamen des Nachts und stahlen ihn, die weil wir schliefen, und wo es wird auskommen beim Landpfleger, wollen wir ihn stillen, und schaffen, daß ihr sicher seid.

Evangelist
Und sie nahmen das Geld und taten, wie sie gelehrht waren. Und solche Rede ist ruchbar worden bei den Juden bis auf den heutigen Tag.

Evangelist
Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done. And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers, saying:

The Chief Priest
Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept. And if this come to the governor’s ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

Evangelist
So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

Evangelist
And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden that they should not know him after that he appeared in another form unto them. And he said unto them:

Jesus
What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?
Cleophas
Bist du allein unter den Fremdlingen zu Jerusalem, der nicht wisse, was in diesen Tagen darinnen geschehen ist?

Evangelist
Und er sprach zu ihm:

Jesus
Welches?

Evangelist
Sie aber sprachen zu ihm:

Cleophas und sein Geselle
Das von Jesu von Nazareth, wie er war ein Prophet, mächtig von Taten und Worten; wie ihn unsere Hohenpriester und Obristen überantwortet haben zum Verdammnis des Todes und gekreuzigt. Wir aber hofften, er sollt Israel erlösen, und über alles ist heut der dritte Tag, daß solches geschehn ist. Auch haben uns erschreckt etliche Weber der unsern; die sind früh bei dem Grabe gewesen, haben seinen Leib nicht funden, kommen und sagen, sie haben ein Gesichte der Engel gesehen, welche sagen, er lebe! Und etliche unter uns gingen hin zum Grabe und fundens also, wie die Weber sagen; aber ihn funden sie nicht.

Evangelist
Und er sprach zu ihnen:

Jesus
O, ihr Toren, und träges Herz, zu glauben alle dem, das die Propheten geredet haben! Müße nicht Christus solches leiden und zu seiner Herrlichkeit eingehen?

Cleophas
Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass therein these days?

Evangelist
And he said unto them:

Jesus
What things?

Evangelist
And they said unto him:

Cleophas und sein Geselle
Bleibe bei uns, denn es will Abend werden, und der Tag hat sich geneigt.

Evangelist
And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and broke, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another:

Jesus
O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

Cleophas und sein Geselle
Brannte nicht unser Herz in uns, da er mit uns redet auf dem Wege, und er öffnete uns die Schriften?

Evangelist
And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and that which they had spoken was not.

Die Elf zu Jerusalem versammelt
Der Herr ist wahrhaftig auferstanden und Simoni erschienen!

Evangelist
And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further. But they constrained him, saying:

Cleophas and his Companion
Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent, and he went in to tarry with them.

Evangelist
And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another:

Cleophas and his Companion
Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

Evangelist
And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, saying:

The Eleven Gathered in Jerusalem
The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon!
And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread, neither believed they them.

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews. And as they thus spake, came Jesus, as they sat at meat, and stood in the midst, and saith unto them:

Jesus
Peace be unto you!

And upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit, and he said unto them:

Jesus
Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet, and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them: And as he said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them:

Jesus
Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

Evangelist
Und sie erzählten ihnen, was auf dem Wege geschehen war, und wie er von ihnen erkannt wäre an dem, da er das Brot brach, und denen glaubten sie auch nicht.

10 Es war aber am Abend desselben Sabbaths, und die Tür war verschlossen, da die Jünger versammelt waren, aus Furcht vor den Juden. Da sie aber davon redeten kam Jesus selbst, da sie zu Tische saßen, und trat mitten ein und spricht zu ihnen:

Jesus
Habe ich hie zu essen?

And they legten ihm vor ein Stück vom gebraten Fisch und Honigseims, und er nahms und aß vor ihnen. Er sprach aber zu ihnen:

Jesus
Dies sind die Reden, die ich zu euch saget, da ich noch bei euch war; denn es muß alles erfüllt werden, was von mir geschrieben ist in dem Gsetz Mossi, in den Propheten und in den Psalmen!

Da eröffnet er ihnen das Verständnis, daß sie die Schrift verstunden, und sprach zu ihnen:

Jesus
Also ist es geschrieben, und also mußte Christus leiden und auferstehn von den Toten am dritten Tage, und predigen lassen in seinem Namen Buß und Vergebung der Sünden unter allen Völkern, und anheben zu Jerusalem. Ihr aber seid des alles Zeugen!

Und abermal sprach er zu ihnen:

Jesus
Friede sei mit euch! Gleich wie mich mein Vater gesandt hat, also sende ich euch.

Uni als er das saget, blies er sie an und spricht zu ihnen:

Jesus
Habe ich hie zu essen?

And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. And he took it, and did eat before them. And he said unto them:

These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me!

Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, and said unto them:

Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things!

Then he said to them again:

Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.
**Jesus**

Nehmet hin den heiligen Geist! Welchen ihr die Sünden erlассet, den sind sie erlassen, und welchen ihr sie behaltet, den sind sie behalten!

**Conclusion**

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! Victoria!

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**Jesus**

Receive ye the Holy Ghost: whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained!

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**Compact Disc 12**

**Historia des Leidens und Sterbens unser Herrn und Heilandes Jesu Christi nach dem Evangelisten St. Matthäus**

**Introitus**

Das Leiden unsers Herrn Jesu Christi, wie es beschreibt der heilige Evangeliste Matthäus.

**Evangelist**

Und es begab sich, da Jesus alle diese Reden vollendet hatte, sprach er zu seinen Jüngern: Jesus Ihr wisset, dass nach zweien Tagen Ostern wird, und des Menschen Sohn wird überantwortet werden, dass er gekreuzigt werde. Da versammelten sich die Hohenpriester und Schriftgelehrten und die Ältesten im Volk in dem Palast des Hohenpriesters, der da hieß Caiaphas, und hielten Rat, wie sie Jesum mit Listigen griffen und töteten. Sie sprachen aber:

**Hohenpriester und Schriftgelehrte**

Ja nicht auf das Fest, auf dass nicht ein Auffuhr werde im Volk.

**Evangelist**

Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, there came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat. But when his disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying:

**The Disciples**

To what purpose is this waste? For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.

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**Evangelist**

And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples, Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified.

Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill him. But they said:

**The Chief Priest and Scribes**

Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people.

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Evangelist
Da das Jesus merkete, sprach er zu ihnen:

Jesus
Was beküm mert ihr das Weib? Sie hat ein gut Werk an mir getan. Ihr habet allezeit Arme bei euch; mich aber habt ihr nicht allezeit. Dass sie dies Wasser hat auf meinen Leib gegossen, hat sie getan, dass man mich begraben wird. Wahrlich, ich sage euch: Wo dies Evangelium gepredigt wird in der ganzen Welt, da wird man auch sagen zu ihrem Gedächtnis, was sie getan hat.

Evangelist
Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, and said unto them:

Judas
Was wollt ihr mir geben? Ich will ihn euch verraten.

Evangelist
And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.

Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him:

The Disciples
Wo willst du, dass wir dir bereiten, das Osterlamm zu essen?

Jesus
Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.
Jesus
Du sagest es.

Evangelist
Da sie aber aßen, nahm Jesus das Brot, danket' und brach's und gab es den Jüngern und sprach:

Jesus
Nehmet, esset; das ist mein Leib.

Evangelist
Und er nahm den Kelch und danket', gab ihnen den und sprach:

Jesus

Evangelist
Und da sie den Lobgesang gesprochen hatten, gingen sie hinaus an den Ölberg. Da sprach Jesus zu ihnen:

Jesus
In dieser Nacht werdet ihr euch alle ärgern an mir. Denn es steht geschrieben: 'Ich werde den Hirten schlagen, und die Schafe der Herde werden sich zerstreuen.' Wann ich aber auferstehe, will ich für euch hingehen in Galiläaem.

Evangelist
Petrus antwortet’ und sprach zu ihm:

Jesus
Wahrlich, ich sage dir: In dieser Nacht, ehe der Hahn krähet, wirst du mich dreimal verleugnen.

Evangelist
Petrus sprach zu ihm:

Peter
Und wenn ich mit dir sterben müsste, so will ich dich nicht verleugnen.

Evangelist
Likewise also said all the disciples.

7 Da kam Jesus mit ihnen zu einem Hofe, der hieß Gethsemane, und sprach zu seinen Jüngern:

Jesus
Setzet euch hier, bis dass ich dorthin gehe und bete.

Evangelist
Und nahm zu sich Petrum und die zweine Söhne Zebedäi und fing an zu trauern und zu zagen. Da sprach Jesus zu ihnen:

Jesus
Meine Seele ist betrübet bis an den Tod; bleibet hier und wachet mir mir!
Und ging hin ein wenig, fiel nieder auf sein Gesicht und betet' und sprach:

Jesus
Mein Vater, ist's möglich, so gehe dieser Kelch von mir; doch nicht wie ich will, sondern wie du willst!

Und er kam zu seinen Jüngern und fand sie schlafend und sprach zu Petro:

Jesus
Könnet ihr denn nicht eine Stunde mit mir wachen? Wacht und betet, dass ihr nicht in Anfechtung fallet! Der Geist ist willig; aber das Fleisch ist schwach.

Zum anderen Mal ging er hin, betet' und sprach:

Jesus
Mein Vater, ist es nicht möglich, dass dieser Kelch von mir gehe, ich trinke ihn denn, so geschehe dein Wille!

Und er kam und fand sie abermals schlafend, und ihre Augen waren voll Schlafes. Und er ließ sie und ging abermals und betet' zum dritten Mal und redet' dieselbigen Wort. Da kam er zu seinen Jüngern und sprach zu ihnen:

Jesus
Ach, wollet ihr nun schlafen und ruhen? Siehe, die Stunde ist hier, dass des Menschen Sohn in die Hände übertreten wird. Stehet auf, lasst uns gehen! Siehe, der ist da, der mich verrät!

And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying:

Jesus
O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt!

And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter:

Jesus
What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying:

Jesus
O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done!

Und es nach dem zweiten Male ging er hin, betet' und sprach:

Jesus
Mein Freund, warum bist du kommen?

Da traten sie hinzu und legten die Hände an Jesum und griffen ihn. Und, nie, einer aus denen, die mit Jesu waren, reckte die Hand aus und zog sein Schwert aus und schlug des Hohenpriesters Knecht und hieb ihm ein Ohr ab. Da sprach Jesus zu ihm:

Jesus
Stecke dein Schwert an seinen Ort! Denn wer das Schwert nimmt, der soll durchs Schwert umkommen. Oder meinst du, dass ich nicht könne meinen Vater bitten, dass er mir zuschickete mehr denn zwolf Legion Engel? Wie würdest aber die Schrift erfüllt? Es muss also gehen.

And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people.

Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying:

Judas
Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast.

And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said:

Judas
Hail, master!

And kissed him. And Jesus said unto him:

Judas
Friend, wherefore art thou come?

Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took him. And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear.

Then said Jesus unto him:

Jesus
Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?

But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?
Jesus

In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes:

Jesus

Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me. But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.

Evangelist

Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

And they that had laid hold on Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. But Peter followed him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end.

Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witnesses against Jesus, to put him to death; But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, yet found they none. At the last came two false witnesses, and said:

The Two False Witnesses

This fellow said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.

Caiaphas

I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us wether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying:

Caiaphas

He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy. What think ye?

Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote him with the palms of their hands, saying:

But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him:

Caiaphas

I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

Evangelist

Jesus saith unto him:

Jesus

Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

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The Whole Crowd

Prophesy unto us, thou Christ, who is he that smote thee?

Evangelist

Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying:

First Woman

Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee.

Evangelist

But he denied before them all, saying:

Peter

I know not what thou sayest.

Evangelist

And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said unto them that were there:

Second Woman

This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth.

Evangelist

And again he denied with an oath:

Peter

I do not know the man.

Evangelist

And after a while came unto him they that stood by, and said to Peter:

The Servants

Surely thou also art one of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee.

Evangelist

Then began he to curse and to swear, saying:

Peter

I know not the man.

Evangelist

And immediately the cock crew. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death: And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor.

Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying:

Judas

I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood.

Evangelist

And they said:

The High Priest and Elders

What is that to us? See thou to that!

Evangelist

And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said:

The High Priest

It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.
And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value; And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.

And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying:

Art thou the King of the Jews?

Jesus said unto him:

Thou sayest.

And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then said Pilate unto him:

Art thou not he which should be King of the Jews?

Jesus answered him, saying, Thou sayest it.

And he was set for judgment of the governor. And the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said unto them:

Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

The whole multitude said, Barabbas!

Pilate saith unto them:

Pilate's Wife Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

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Pilate Pilatus sprach zu ihnen:

Welchen wollet ihr unter diesen zweien, den ich euch losgebe?
Pilate
Was soll ich denn machen mit Jesu, von dem gesagt wird, er sei Christus?

Evangelist
Sie sprachen alle:

Der ganze Haufe
Lass ihn kreuzigen!

Evangelist
Der Landpfleger sagete:

Pilate
Was hat er denn Übels getan?

Evangelist
Sie schrien aber noch mehr und sprachen:

Der ganze Haufe
Lass ihn kreuzigen!

Evangelist
Da aber Pilatus sahe, dass er nichts schaffete, sondern dass viel ein größer Getümel ward, nahm er Wasser und wusch die Hände vor dem Volk und sprach:

Pilate
Ich bin unschuldig an dem Blut dieses gerechten; sehet ihr zu!

Evangelist
Da antwortete das ganze Volk und sprach:

Der ganze Haufe
Sein Blut komme über uns und unsere Kinder!

Evangelist
Da gab er ihnen Barrabam los; aber Jesum ließ er geißeln und überantwortet’ ihn, dass er gekreuzigt würde.

14 Da nahmen die Kriegsknechte des Landpflegers Jesum zu sich in das Richtthaus und versammelten über ihn die ganze Schar und zogen ihn aus und legten ihm einen Purpurmantel an und flöchteten eine Dornenkrone und setzten sie auf sein Haupt und ein Rohr in seine rechte Hand und beugten die Knie vor ihm, und verspotteten ihn und sprachen:

Die Kriegsknechte
Gegrüßet seist du, der Juden König!

Evangelist
Und speieten ihn an und nahmen das Rohr und schlagen damit sein Haupt. Und da sie ihn verspottet hatten, zogen sie ihm den Mantel aus und zogen ihm seine Kleider wieder an und führten ihn hin, dass er gekreuzigt würde.


Evangelist
Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying:

The Soldiers
Hail, King of the Jews!

Evangelist
And they spat upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross. And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet: ‘They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots’. And sitting down they watched him there; And set up over his head his accusation written, ‘This is Jesus the king of the Jews’. Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying:
Juden und Kriegsknechte
der du den Tempel Gottes zerbrichst und bauest
ihn in dreien Tagen, hilf dir selber! Bist du Gottes
Sohn, so steig herab vom Kreuz!

Evangelist
desgleichen auch die Hohenpriester spotteten sein,
samt den Schriftgelehrten und Ältesten und
sprachen:

Hohenpriester, Schriftgelehrte und Älteste
Andern hat er geholfen und kann ihm selber nicht
helfen. Ist er der König Israels, so steige er nun vom
Kreuz, so wollen wir ihm glauben. Er hat Gott
vertrauet; der erlöse ihn nun, lüstet's ihn; denn er
hat gesaget. Ich bin Gottes Sohn.

Evangelist
desgleichen schmäheten ihn auch die Mörder, die
mit ihm gekreuzigt waren.

16 und von der sechsten Stunde an ward eine
Finsternis über das ganze Land bis zu der neunten
Stunde. Und um die neunte Stunde schrei Jesus laut
und sprach:

Jesus
Eli, Eli, Eli, lama asabtani?

Evangelist
das ist: Mein Gott, mein Gott, mein Gott, warum
hast du mich verlassen? Erliche aber, die da
stunden, da sie das höreten, sprachen sie:

Die Kriegsknechte
der rufet den Elias.

Evangelist
und bald lief einer unter ihnen und nahm einen
Schwamm und füllt ihn mit Essig und stecket' ihn
auf ein Rohr und tränket' ihn. Die andern aber
sprachen:

Die Juden
Halt! Lasst sehen, ob Elias komme und ihm helfe!

Evangelist
Aber Jesus schrei abermals laut und verschied. Und
siehe da, der Vorhang im Tempel zerreiß in zwei
Stück von oben an bis unten aus. Und die Erde
erbbebte, und die Felsen zerrissen, und die Gräber
taten sich auf, und stunden auf viel Leiber der
Heiligen, die da schliefen, und gingen aus den
Grabern nach seiner Auferstehung und kamen in
die heilige Stadt und erschienen vielen. Aber der
Hauptmann und die bei ihm waren und bewahrten
Jesus, da sie sahen das Erdbeben und was da
gesehene, erschraken sie sehr und sprachen:

Hauptmann samt den Kriegsknechten
Wahrlich, dieser ist Gottes Sohn gewesen!

Evangelist
Und es waren viel Weiher da, die von ferne
zusahen, die da Jesu waren nachgefolget aus Galiläa
und hatten ihm gedient; unter welchen war Maria
Magdalena und Maria, die Mutter Jakobi und
Joses, und die Mutter der Kinder Zebedäi.

17 und am Abend kam ein reicher Mann von
Arimathia, der hieß Joseph, welcher auch ein
Jünger Jesu war. Der ging zu Pilato und bat ihn um
den Leib Jesu. Da befahl Pilatus, man soll't ihn geben.
Und Joseph nahm den Leib und winkelt ihn
in ein rein Leinwand und legte ihn in sein eigen neun
Grab, welches er hatte lassen in einen Fels hauen,
und wälzet einen großen Stein für die Tür des
Grabes und ging davon. Es war aber allida Maria
Magdalena und die andere Maria, die setzten sich
gegen das Grab.

Jews and Soldiers
Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three
days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come
down from the cross!

Evangelist
Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the
scribes and elders, said:

Chief Priest, Scribes and Elders
He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the
King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross,
and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him
deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am
the Son of God.

Evangelist
The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast
the same in his teeth.

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all
the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour
Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying:

Jesus
Eli, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?

Evangelist
That is to say, My God, my God, my God, why hast
thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there,
when they heard that, said:

The Soldiers
This man calleth for Elias.

Evangelist
And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge,
and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave
him to drink. The rest said:

The Jews
Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him!

Evangelist
Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice,
yielded up the ghost. And, behold, the veil of the
temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom;
and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the
graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints
which slept arose, And came out of the graves after his
resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared
unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that
were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake,
and those things that were done, they feared greatly,
saying:

Centurion and Soldiers
Truly this was the Son of God.

Evangelist
And many women were there beholding afar off, which
followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:
Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the
mother of James and Joses, and the mother of
Zebedee's children. When the even was come, there came a rich man of
Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was
Jesus' disciple: He went to Pilate, and begged the body
of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be
delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he
wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, And laid it in his own
new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he
rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and
departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the
other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.
Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying:

Chief Priest and Pharisees
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Evangelist
Pilate said unto them: Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can.

So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

Pilate
Da habet ihr die Hütter; gehet hin und verwahret es, wie ihr wisset.

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Beginning
The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ as narrated by the Saint Evangelist Luke

Evangelist
Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover, and the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people.

Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve. And he went his way, and communicated with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude.

Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying:

Jesus
Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat.

Evangelist
And they said unto him:

Die Jünger
Wo wilt du, daß wir es bereiten?

Evangelist
Er sprach zu ihnen:

Evangelist
And he said unto them:

Evangelist
And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said:

Jesus

Evangelist
Und er nahm das Brot, danket und bruchs und gab es ihnen und sprach:

Jesus
Das ist mein Leib, der für euch gegeben wird, das tut zu meinem Gedächtnis.
Evangelist
Desselbeningleichen auch den Kelch nach dem Abendmahl und sprach:

Jesus

Evangelist
Und sie fingen an zu fragen unter sich selbst, welcher es doch wäre unter ihnen, der das tun würde.

6 Es erhob sich auch ein Zank unter ihnen, welcher unter ihnen sollte für den Größten gehalten werden, er aber sprach zu ihnen:

Jesus
Die weltlichen Könige herrschen, und die Gewaltigen heißt man gnädige Herren, ihr aber nicht also, sondern der Größte unter euch soll sein wie der Jungste, und der Fürnehmste wie ein Diener. Denn welcher ist der Größte, der zu Tische sitzet, oder der da dienet? Ist es nicht also, daß der zu Tische sitzet? Ich aber bin unter euch wie ein Diener, ihr aber seid es, die ihr beharret habet bei mir in meinen Anfechtungen, und ich will euch das Reich bescheiden, wie mir mein Vater beschieden hat, daß ihr essen und trinken sollet über meinem Tisch in meinem Reich und sitzen auf Stühlen und richten die zwölf Geschlechter Israel.

Evangelist
Der Herr aber sprach:

Evangelist
Likewise also the cup after supper, saying:

Jesus
This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table. And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed.

Evangelist
And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing.

Jesus
And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them:

Jesus
The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Evangelist
And the Lord said:

Jesus
7 Simon, Simon, siehe, der Satanas hat euer begehret, daß er euch möchte sichten, wie den Weizen. Ich habe aber für dich gebeten, daß dein Glaube nicht aufhöre, und wenn du dermaleinds dich bekehrest, so stärke deine Brüder.

Evangelist
Er sprach aber zu ihm:

Petrus
Herr, ich bin bereit, mit dir in das Gefängnis und in den Tod zu gehen.

Evangelist
And he said unto him:

Jesus
Petre, ich sage dir, der Hahn wird heute nicht krähen, ehe denn du dreimal verleugnet hast, daß du mich kenne.

Evangelist
Und er sprach zu ihnen:

Jesus
So oft ich euch gesandt habe ohne Beutel, ohne Taschen und ohne Schuh, lacked ye any thing?

Evangelist
Sie sprachen:

Die Jünger
Nie kennen.

Evangelist
Da sprach er zu ihnen:

Jesus
Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

Evangelist
And he said unto him:

Peter
Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.

Evangelist
And he said:

Jesus
I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.

Evangelist
And he said unto them:

Jesus
When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing?
Jesus
Aber nun wer einen Beutel hat, der nehme ihn, desselbigengleichen auch die Tasche, wer aber nicht hat, verkaufe sein Klaid, und kaufe ein Schwert, denn ich sage euch, es muß auch das noch vollendet werden an mir, das geschrieben steht: Er ist unter die Übeltäter gerechnet. Denn was von mir geschrieben ist, das hat ein Ende.

Evangelist
Sie sprachen aber:

Die Jünger
Herr, siehe, hier sind zwei Schwert.

Evangelist
Er aber sprach zu ihnen:

Jesus
Es ist genug.

Evangelist
Und er ging hinaus nach seiner Gewohnheit an den Ölberg, es folgen ihm aber seine Jünger nach an denselbigen Ort, und als er dahin kam, sprach er zu ihnen:

Jesus
Betet, auf daß ihr nicht in Anfechtung fallet.

Evangelist
Da aber noch redete, siehe, die Schar, und einer von den Zwölfen, genannt Judas, ging vor ihnen her und nahet sich zu Jesu, ihn zu küssen. Jesus aber sprach zu ihm:

Jesus
Juda, verrätest du des Menschen Sohn mit einem Kuß?

Evangelist
When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him:

The Disciples
Lord, shall we smite with the sword?

Evangelist
And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said:

Jesus
Lasset sie doch so ferne machen.
And he touched his ear, and healed him. Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him:

And ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high priest’s house. And Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said:

This man was also with him.

And he denied him, saying:

Woman, I know him not.

And after a little while another saw him, and said:

Thou art also of them.

And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying:

Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?

And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him. And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying:

And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.

And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying:

Of a truth this fellow also was with him: for he is a Galilæan.
And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying:

Chief Priest and Scribes
Art thou the Christ? Tell us.

Evangelist
And he said unto them:

Jesus
If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.

Evangelist
Then said they all:

Chief Priest and Scribes
Art thou then the Son of God?

Evangelist
And he said unto them:

Jesus
Ye say that I am.

Evangelist
And they said:

Chief Priest and Scribes
What need we any further witness? For we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

Evangelist
And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate and they began to accuse him, saying:

Chief Priest and Scribes
We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, saying that he himself is Christ a King.

Evangelist
And Pilate asked him, saying:

Pilate
Art thou the King of the Jews?

Evangelist
And he answered him and said:

Jesus
Thou sayest it.

Evangelist
Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people:

Pilate
I find no fault in this man.

Evangelist
And they were the more fierce, saying:

Chief Priest and Scribes
He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place.
Evangelist

15 Da aber Pilatus Galiläam hörete, fragte er, ob er aus Galiläa wäre, und als er vernahm, daß er unter Herodis Obrigkeit gehöre, übersandte er ihn zu Herodes, welcher in denselben Tagen auch zu Jerusalem war. Da aber Herodes Jesum sah, wurd er sehr froh, denn er hatte ihn längst gerne gesehen, denn er hatte viel von ihm gehörte, und hoffte, er würde ein Zeichen von ihm sehen. Und er fragte ihn mancherlei, er antwortete ihm aber nichts. Die Hohenpriester aber und Schriftgelehrten stunden und verklagten ihn hart, aber Herodes mit seinem Hofgesinde verachtete und verspottete ihn, legte ihm ein weiß Kleid an und sandte ihn wieder zu Pilato. Auf den Tag wurden Pilatus und Herodes Freunde miteinander, denn zuvor waren sie einander feind.

16 Pilatus aber rief die Hohenpriester und die Obristen und das ganze Volk zusammen und sprach zu ihnen:

Pilate

Ihr habet diesen Menschen zu mir bracht, als der das Volk abwende, und siehe, ich habe ihn für euch verhört und finde an dem Menschen der Sache keine, deren ihr ihn beschuldigt, Herodes auch nicht, denn ich habe euch zu ihm gesandt, und siehe, man hat nichts auf ihn bracht, das des Todes wert sei, darum will ich ihn züchtigen und loslassen.

Evangelist

15 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilean. And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time. And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him. And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves. And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, said unto them:

Pilate

Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and, behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him. I will therefore chastise him, and release him.

Evangelist

16 When of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast. And they cried out all at once, saying:

The Whole Crowd

Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas.
the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.
For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?

And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus:

Jesus
Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.

Evangelist
And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying:

The Rulers
H e saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.

Evangelist
And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying:

The Soldiers
If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

Evangelist
And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew: This is the king of the Jews. And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying:

Evangelist
And he said unto Jesus:

Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

Jesus
Verily I say unto thee, to day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

Evangelist
And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said:

Jesus
Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.
And having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying:

Certainly this was a righteous man.

And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned. And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

And, behold, there was a man named Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just, the same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them, he was of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God. This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid. And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on. And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid. And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment.

He who God's agony doth esteem And bears in mind his bitter death may rest secure in God's own keeping both here on earth through his sweet grace and there in the life everlasting.

Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, and the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying:

God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

God be merciful to me a sinner.

I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.
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When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into which he entered, and his disciples. And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jesus oftentimes resorted thither with his disciples. 

Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, came with lanterns and torches and weapons. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should com e upon him, went forth, and said unto them:

Jesus? Whom seek ye?

They answered him:

Die Juden
Jesus of Nazareth.

Evangelist
Jesus answered:

Ich habe es euch gesagt, daß ich's bin. Suchet ihr denn mich, so lasset diese gehen!

Evangelist
Jesus spricht zu ihnen:

Die Juden
Jesus of Nazareth.

Evangelist
I am he.
Evangelist
Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him, and led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year. Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple: that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest. But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high priest, and brought in Peter. Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter:

The Maid
Art not thou also one of this man’s disciples?

Evangelist
He saith:

Peter
I am not.

Evangelist
And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold: and they warmed themselves: and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself.

The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine. Jesus answered him:

Jesus
I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing. Why askest

nichts Verborgenes geredet. Was fragst du mich darum? Frage die darum, die gehörst haben, was ich zu ihnen geredet habe. Siehe, diebelsigen wissen, was ich gesagt habe.

Evangelist
Als er aber solches redete, gab der Diener einer, die dabei standen, Jesu einen Bakkenstreich und sprach:

Knecht des Hohenpriesters
Solltest du dem Hohenpriester also antworten?

Evangelist
Jesus sprach:

Jesus
Habe ich übel geredet, so beweise es, daß es böse sei; habe ich aber recht geredet, was schlägest du mich?

Evangelist
Spricht des Hohenpriesters Knecht einer, ein Verwandter des, dem Petrus das Ohr abgehauen hatte:

Evangelist
One of the servants of the high priest, being his kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith:
The Chief Priest's Servant

Did not I see thee in the garden with him?

Evangelist

Da leugnete Petrus abermals, und alsobald krähte der Hahn.

7 Da führten sie Jesum von Kaiphas vor das Richthaus. Und es war früh; und sie gingen nicht in das Richthaus, damit sie nicht unrein würden, sondern Ostern essen könnten. Da ging Pilatus zu ihnen heraus und sprach:

Pilate

Was bringet ihr für Klage wider diesen Menschen?

Evangelist

Sie antworteten und sprachen zu ihm:

Die Juden

Wäre dieser nicht ein Übeltäter, wir hätten dir ihn nicht überantwortet.

Evangelist

Da sprach Pilatus zu ihnen:

Pilate

Ziehe deine, und judge him according to your law.

Die Juden

Wir dürfen niemand töten.

Evangelist

Da sprachen die Juden zu ihm:

The Jews

It is not lawful for us to put any man to death.

Evangelist

Auf daß erfüllet würde das Wort Jesu, welches er sagte, um zu zeigen, welches Todes er sterben würde. Da ging Pilatus wieder hinein in das Richthaus und rief Jesu und sprach zu ihm:

Pilate

Bist du der Juden König?

Evangelist

Jesus antwortet:

Jesus

Redest du das von dir selbst, oder haben dir es andere von mir gesagt?

Evangelist

Pilate antwortet:

Pilate

Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

Evangelist

Jesus antwortet:

Jesus

My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

Evangelist

Pilate therefore said unto him:

Pilate

Art thou a king then?
Evangelist
Jesus answered:
Jesus
Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

Evangelist
Spricht Pilatus zu ihm:
Pilate
Was ist Wahrheit?

Evangelist
Und da er das gesagt, ging er wieder hinaus zu den Juden und spricht zu ihnen:
Pilate
Ich finde keine Schuld an ihm.

Evangelist
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Evangelist
Und da er das gesagt, ging er wieder hinaus zu den Juden und spricht zu ihnen:

Pilate
Ich finde keine Schuld an ihm.
Die Juden
Wir haben ein Gesetze, und nach dem Gesetze muß er sterben, denn er hat sich selbst zu Gottes Sohn gemacht.

Evangelist
Da Pilatus das Wort hörte, fürchtet er sich noch mehr und ging wieder hinein in das Richthaus und spricht zu Jesus:

Pilatus
Von woher bist du?

Evangelist
Aber Jesu gab ihm keine Antwort. Da sprach Pilatus zu ihm:

Pilate
Whence art thou?

Evangelist
Jesus antwortet:

Jesus
Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.

Evangelist
Da überantwortet er ihn, dass er gekreuzigt würde.

Evangelist
And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying:

The Jew
If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar.

Evangelist
Da überantwortet er ihn, dass er gekreuzigt würde.

Evangelist
Dann nahmen aber Jesum und führten ihn hin, und er trug sein Kreuze und ging hinaus zu der Stätte, die da heißt Schädelstätt, welche heißt auf hebräisch Golgota. Allsdas kreuzigten sie ihn und mit ihm noch zwei andere zu beiden Seiten, Jesus aber mitten inne. Pilatus aber schrieb eine Überschrift und setzte sie auf das Kreuze; und es war geschrieben: Jesus von Nazareth, der Juden König.

Evangelist
When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews:

Pilate
Behold your King!

Evangelist
But they cried out:

The Jews
Away with him! Crucify him!

Evangelist
Pilate saith unto them:

Pilate
Shall I crucify your King?

Evangelist
The chief priest answered:

The Chief Priest
We have no king but Caesar.
crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate:

The Chief Priest
Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews.

Evangelist
Pilate answered:

Pilate
What I have written I have written.

Evangelist
Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves:

The Soldiers
Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be!

Evangelist
That the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother:

Jesus
Woe, see, that is my son!

Evangelist
Darnach spricht er zu dem Jünger:

Jesus
Siehe, das ist deine Mutter!

Evangelist
Und von der Stunde an nahm sie der Jünger zu sich. Darnach, da Jesus wuhr, daß schon alles vollbracht war, daß die Schrift erfüllt würde, sprach er:

Jesus
Mich dürstet!

Evangelist
Da stand ein Gefäß voll mit Essig. Sie aber füllten einen Schwamm mit dem Essig und steckten ihn auf einen Ysopzwieg und hielten's dar zum Munde. Da nun Jesus den Essig genommen hatte, sprach er:

Jesus
Es ist vollbracht!

Evangelist
Und neigte das Haupt und verschied.

Beschluss
Oh hilf, Christe, Gottes Sohn, durch dein bitter Leiden, daß wir dir stets untertan all Untugend meinen, deinen Tod und sein Ursach fruchtbarlich bedenken, dafür, wiewohl arm und schwach, dir Dankopfer schenken

Conclusion
Oh help us, Christ, Son of God, through Your bitter passion, to be always subject to You and avoid all vice, to reflect profitably on Your death and its cause and, although poor and weak, to grant you thank offerings in return.
Die Sieben Worte Jesu am Kreuz

**Introitus**

11 Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund und ihm sein Leichnam war verwund’t sogar mit bitterm Schmerzen, die sieben Wort, die Jesus sprach, betracht in deinem Herzen.

12 Symphonia

**Evangelist**

13 Und es war um die dritte Stunde, da sie Jesum kreuzigten. Er aber sprach:

Jesus

Vater, vergieb ihnen; denn sie wissen nicht, was sie tun!

**Evangelist**

14 Es stand aber bei dem Kreuze Jesu seine Mutter und seiner Mutter Schwester, Maria, Cleophas Weib, und Maria Magdalena. Da nun Jesus seine Mutter sahe und den Jünger dabei stehen, den er lieb hatte, sprach er zu seine Mutter:

Jesus

Weib, siehe, das ist dein Sohn!

**Evangelist**

Darnach spricht er zu dem Jünger:

Jesus

Johannes, siehe, das ist deine Mutter!

**Evangelist**

Und von Stund an nahm sie der Jünger zu sich.

**Beginn**

When on the Cross the Savior hung, and that sore load that on Him weigh’d with bitter pangs His nature wrung, seven words amid His pain He said; Oh let then well to heart be laid!

**Symphonia**

**Evangelist**

Da antwortete der ander, strafte ihn und sprach:

**Schächer zur Linken**

Bist du Christus, so hilt dir selbst und uns!

**Evangelist**

Und sprach zu Jesu:

**Schächer zur Rechten**

Herr gedenke an mich, wenn du in dein Reich kommst!

**Evangelist**

And Jesus sprach:

**Schächer zur Rechten**

Und du forchtest dich auch nicht vor Gott, der du doch in gleicher Verdammnis bist? Und zwar wir sind billig darinnen, denn wir empfangen, was unsere Taten wert sind; dieser aber hat nichts Ungerechtes gehandelt.

**Evangelist**

And he said unto Jesus:

**Schächer zur Rechten**

Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom!

**Evangelist**

And Jesus said unto him:

**Jesus**

Verily I say unto thee, to day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

**Evangelist**

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying:

**Jesus**

Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?
Evangelist
Das ist verdolmetschet:

Jesus
Mein Gott, mein Gott, warum hast du mich verlassen?

Evangelist
Darnach als Jesus wußte, daß schon alles vollbracht war, daß die Schrift erfüllt würde, sprach er:

Jesus
Mich dürstet!

Evangelist
Und einer von den Kriegsknechten lief bald hin, nahm einen Schwamm und füllte ihn mit Essig und Ysopen und steckte ihn auf ein Rohr und hielt ihn dar zum Munde und tränkte ihn. Da nun Jesus den Essig genommen hatte, sprach er:

Jesus
Es ist vollbracht!

Evangelist
Und abermal rief Jesus laut und sprach:

Jesus
Vater, ich befehle meinen Geist in deine Hände!

Evangelist
Und als er das gesagt hatte, neigte er das Haupt und gab seinen Geist auf.

19 Symphonia

Evangelist
That is to say:

Jesus
My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Evangelist
After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith:

Jesus
I thirst.

Evangelist
And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled it with vinegar and hyssop, and put it on a reed, and put it to his mouth and gave him to drink. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said:

Jesus
It is finished!

Evangelist
And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said:

Jesus
Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit!

Evangelist
And having said thus, he bowed his head and gave up the ghost.

Conclusio
Wer Gottes Marter in Ehren hat und oft gedenkt der sieben Wort, des will Gott gar eben pflegen, wohl he auf Erd mit seiner Gnad, und dort in dem ewigen Leben.

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Conclusion
He who God’s agony doth esteem and bears in mind the Seven Words may rest secure in God’s own keeping both here on earth through his sweet grace and there in the life everlasting.
Anderer Theil kleiner geistlichen Concerten

Volume 1


2 Was hast du verwirkt, O, du allerhöchstes Knab, Jesu Christe, daß du also verurteilt warst? Was hast du begangen, o du allerfreundlichster Jungling, daß man so übel und klaglich mit dir gehandel? Was ist doch dein Verbrechen und Mißhandlung? Was ist deine Schuld, was ist die Ursach deines Todes? Was ist doch die Verwirkung deines Verdammnisses? O, ich bin die Ursach und Pflege deines Leidens, ich bin die Verschuldung deines Himmachts, ich bin das Verdienst deines Todes, das todwürdig Laster, so an dir gerochen werden. Ich bin die Öffnung der Münden deines Leidens, die Angst dein Peinigung. Ach, wohin, du Sohn Gottes, hat sich deine Demut geniedriget?

3 O Jesu, nomen dulce, Nomen admirable, nomen comfortans, Quid enim canitur suavis, Quid auditor jucundius, Quid cogitatur dulcis, Quam Jesu, Dei filius. O nomen Jesu, verus animae cibus, In ore mel, in aure melos, In corde laetitia mea. Tuum itaque nomen, dulcissime Jesu, In aeternum in ore meo portabo.

4 O misericordissime Jesu, O dulcissime Jesu, o gratiosissime Jesu, o Jesu, salus in te sperantium, o Jesu, salus in te creditantium, o Jesu, salus ad te confugientium, o Jesu, dulcis remissio omnium peccatorum, o Jesu, propter nomen sanctum tuum salve me, ne peream.


6 Habe deine Lust an dem Herren, der wird dir geben, was dein Herz wünscht, befehle dem Herren deine Wege und hoffe auf ihn, er wirds wohl machen.

7 Erzürne dich nicht über die Bösen, nie seits neidisch über die Übelthäter, denn wie das Gras werden sie bald abgehen, und wie das grüne Kraut werden sie verwelken. Hofe auf den Herren und tue Guts, bleib im Lande und nähre dich redlich. Habe deine Lust an dem Herren, der wird dir geben, was dein Herz wünscht. Befehle dem Herren deine Wege und hoffe auf ihn, er wirds wohl machen. Alleluja.

8 O most merciful Jesu, O sweetest Jesu, most gracious Jesu, O Jesu, salvation of those that put their trust in thee, O Jesu, salvation of those that believe in thee, O Jesu, salvation of those that seek refuge in thee, O Jesu, sweet remission of all sins, O Jesu, for thy blessed name's sake. O, Jesu, have mercy, whilst mercy may be given, that I be condemned not at the Day of Judgement. It is my own fault that thou canst condemn me, yet thou ceasest not to save me. Therefore be to me Jesus, for thy name's sake, and have mercy on me, for thy name's sake behold me, poor wretch, as I call upon thy dear name: Jesus.

I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustaineth me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands of the people, that have set themselves against me round about. Arise, o Lord; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the check bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the wicked. Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: thy blessing be upon the people; Selah.

Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass.

Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against them that work unrighteousness. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land, and follow after faithfulness. Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass, Alleluja.
7 Herr, ich hoffe darauf, daß du so gnädig bist, mein Herz freuet sich, daß du so gerne hilfst. Ich will dem Herren singen, daß er so wohltan mir tut. Alleluja.

8 Bone Jesu, verbum Patris, splendor paternae gloriae, in quem desiderant angeli prospicere, doce me facere voluntatem tuam, ut a Spiritu tuo bono deductus ad beatam illam perveniam civitatem, ubi est dies aeternus et unus omnium spiritus, ubi est certa securitas, et secura aeteritas, et aeterna tranquilitas et tranquilla felicitas, et felix suavitatis, et suavis iucunditas, ubi tu Deus cum Patre et Spiritu sancto vivis et regnas, per infinita seculorum secula! Amen.

9 Verbum caro factum est, Alleluja, et habitavit in nobis, Alleluja, et vidimus, Alleluja, gloriam ejus, Alleluja, gloriam quasi unigeniti a patre, plenum gratia et veritate, Alleluja


11 Wann unser Augen schlafen ein, so läß das Herz doch wacker sein, halt über uns dein rechte Hand, daß wir nicht fallen in Sünd und Schand.

12 Meister, wir haben die ganze Nacht gearbeitet und nichts gefangen, aber auf dein Wort will ich das Netz auswerfen.

Lord I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation: I will sing unto the Lord, because he hath dealt bountifully with me, Hallelujah.

O kind Jesu, Word of the Father, splendour of the Glory of the Father, on whom the angels desire to gaze, teach me to do thy will, so that led by thy kind Spirit I might aspire to thy blessed kingdom, where there is everlasting day and one Spirit over all, where protection is sure and eternity certain, an eternal peace, and peaceful bliss, and blissful sweetness, and safe joy, where thou with God the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest ever world without end, Amen.

The Word became flesh, Alleluja, and dwelt among us, Alleluja, and we beheld, Alleluja, his Glory, Alleluja, Glory as of the only begotten from the full of grace and truth.

Today Christ was born, today the Saviour appeared, Hallelujah. Today the angels sing on earth, and the archangels rejoice, Hallelujah. Today the righteous rejoice, saying: Glory to God in the Highest, and peace on earth to men of good will, Hallelujah.

When our eyes close in sleep, grant that the heart remain alert, hold over us thy right hand, that we fall not into sin and shame.

Master, we toiled all night, and took nothing; but at thy word I will do down the nets.

Die Furcht des Herren ist der Weisheit Anfang, das ist eine feine Klugheit, wer darnach tut, des Lob bleibt ewiglich.

Ich beuge meine Knie gegen den Vater unsers Herren Jesu Christi, der der rechte Vater ist über alles, was da Kinder heislet, im Himmel und auf Erden, daß er euch Kraft gebe durch den Reichtum seiner Herrlichkeit, daß er euch Kraft gebe nach dem Reichtum seiner Herrlichkeit, stark zu werden durch seinen Geist an dem inwendi Menschen, und Christum zu wohnen durch den Glauben in eurem Herzen.

Ich bin jung gewesen und bin alt worden und habe noch nie gesehen den Gerechten verlassen, oder seinen Samen nach Brot gehen, Alleluja.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all they that do thereafter: his praise endureth for ever.

I bow my knees unto the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, that ye may be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inward man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

Habe ich junge gewesen und bin alt worden und habe noch nie gesehen den Gerechten verlassen, oder seinen Samen nach Brot gehen, Alleluja.

Compact Disc 16

Volume 2

1 Herr, wenn ich nur dich habe, so frage ich nichts nach Himmel und Erden, wenn mir gleich Leib und Seele verschmacht, so bist du doch, Gott, allzeit meines Herzens Trost und mein Teil.

Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee. My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.

2 Rorate coeli desuper et nubes pluant justum, aperiatur terra et germinet Salvatorem.

Drop down ye heavens from above and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open and bring forth salvation.

3 Joseph, du Sohn David, fürchte dich nicht, Mariam dein Gemahl zu dir zu nehmen, denn das in ihr geboren ist, das ist von dem heiligen Geist und sie wird einen Sohn gebären, des Namens sollst du Jesus heissen, denn er wird sein Volk selig machen von ihren Stünden.

Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son; and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for it is he that shall save his people from their sins.
Ich bin die Auferstehung und das Leben, wer an mich glaubet, der wird leben, ob er gleich stirbt, und wer da lebt und glaubet an mich, der wird nimmermehr sterben.


Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr und Dank für seine Genade, darum daß nun und nimmermehr uns rühren kann kein Schade, ein Wohlgefallen Gott an uns hat, nun ist groß Fried ohr Unterlaß, all Fehd hat nun ein Ende.


I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die the death.

The soul of Christ sanctify me, the body of Christ feed me, the blood of Christ give me to drink, the water that flowed from his side wash me, his bitter agony and death fortify me, O dear Lord Jesu, hear me. In thy blessed wounds conceal me, O dear Lord Jesus, hear me. Let me never be separated from thee, O dear Lord Jesus, hear me. From the dreaded enemy preserve me, O dear Lord Jesus, hear me.

In my last hour call me, that I may come to thee and with all thine elect praise and laud thee in eternity, O dear Lord Jesus, hear me.

I call upon thee, Lord Jesus Christ, and beseech thee to hear the voice of my complaining. Give me grace at this time, let me not utterly despair. Be pleased, O Lord, to show me the right way: to live for thee, to succour thy neighbour, and to keep thy word truly.

All glory be to God on high, who hath our race befriended; to us no harm shall now come nigh, the strife at last is ended; God showeth his good will to men, and peace shall reign on earth again; we thank him for his goodness.

Wir loben, preisen, anbeten dich, für deine Ehre wir dir danken, daß du, Gott Vater, ewiglich regierest ohn alles Wanken, ganz ungemessen ist deine Macht, fort geschich, was dein Will hat bedacht, wohl uns des feinen Herren.

O Jesu Christe, Sohn einig geborn deines himmlischen Vaters, Versöhnner der, die war’n verlorn, du Stiller unsers Haders, Lamm Gottes, heilger Herr und Gott, nimm an die Bitt von unser Not, erbarm dich unser aller.

O heilger Geist, du höchstes Gut, du allerheilsam ster Tröster, du allerheilsam ster Tröster, für Teufels Gewalt fortan behüt, die Jesus Christus erloset durch große Marter und bitteren Tod, abwend all unser Jammer und Not, darzu wir uns verlassen.

Come, Holy Ghost, and fill the hearts of thy faithful, kindling in them the fire of thy divine love, thou who hast in the diversity of tongues hast gathered together all the nations of the whole earth in the unity of faith.

If God is for us, who is against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not also with him freely give us all things? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God’s elect? It is God that justifijeth; Who is he that shall condemn? It is Christ Jesus that died, yea rather, that was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Hallelujah.
10 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or anguish, or persecution, of famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The voice of the Lord, is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth, even the Lord upon many waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty. The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedars; yea, the Lord breaketh in pieces the cedars of Lebanon. He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young wildox. The voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness; the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to calve, and strippeth the forests bare: and in his temple every thing saith, Glory.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: give thanks unto him, and bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy endureth for ever; and his faithfulness unto all generations.

Compact Disc 17

Volume 3

Angelus

1 Sei gegrüßet, Maria, du Holdselige!

Maria

Welch ein Gruß ist das?

Angelus

Der Herr ist mit dir, du Gebenedeite unter den Weibern. Fürchte dich nicht, Maria, du hast Gnade bei Gott funden; Siehe, du wirst schwanger werden im Leibe und einen Sohn gebären, des Namen sollst du Jesus heißen, der wird groß und Sohn des Höchsten genannt werden.

Maria

Wie kann das zugehen, sintemal ich von keinem Manne weiß?

Angelus

Fürchte dich nicht, Maria, der heilige Geist wird über dich kommen, und die Kraft des Höchsten wird dich überschatten, darum auch das Heilige, das von dir geboren wird, wird Gottes Sohn genannt werden, und siehe, Elisabeth, deine Gefreundin ist auch schwanger in ihrem Alter und geht jetzt im sechsten Monat, die im Geschrei ist, daß sie unfruchtbar ist, denn bei Gott ist kein Ding unmöglich.

Maria und Chor


Angel

Hail, thou that art highly favoured,

Mary

What manner of salutation is this?

Angel

The Lord is with thee. Fear not, Mary: for thou hast conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High.

Mary

How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

Angel

Fear not, Mary: the Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee: wherefore also that which is to beborn shall be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elisabeth thy kinswoman, she also hath conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her that was called barren. For no word from God shall be void of power.
Why art thou cast down, O my soul? And why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

As the deer longs for the springs of water, so my soul longs for you, O God, most kind and merciful. My soul has been thirst for you, O God, the living spring… When shall I come and appear before your face?

O spring of life, O vein of living waters, when shall I come to the waters of your sweetness? When shall I come from the pathless and waterless land to see your goodness and your glory and to quench my thirst from the waters of your mercy? O spring of life, quench my thirst!

I thirst, O Lord, I thirst for you, the living God. O when shall I come and appear, O Lord, before your face? O bright and beautiful day, that know s no evening, that has no setting, bright and beautiful, that know s no evening, on which I shall hear the voice of praise, the exulting voice, the voice of exultation and acknowledgement.

Inside to the joy of your Lord, to eternal joy, to the house of the Lord, your God. O joy beyond joy, surpassing all joy, O joy beyond joy. Outside there is no joy because there is no joy.

But spare us, have mercy on our sins, mingling merciful justice with equal pity, you whose property is always to spare the wicked world, whose property is always to spare the wicked world. Why do we worms contrive vile besides passions? O creator of the great world, what are we but rotten dregs, the darkness, the dust, the soil of the earth? The sins of our parents afflict us and our flesh contains a feeble mind. Therefore look on so weak a lot with kindness, Grand a cross, nails, a whip, a crown, a spear, ropes and a hard death. Control your right hand and our sins. There is no need for the great master to perish, do not allow his passion to be in vain, but let the flowing blood and water wash all sin from our hearts, let the blood and water wash away all sin. Perform this resolution, whatever it may be, for all of us, O God, who live in heaven and control the earth always, the three and one. Amen.
Musikalische Exequien

I. Concert in Form einer deutschen Begräbnis-Missa

Intonatio
5 Nacket bin ich von Mutterleibe kommen. Naked came I from my mother's womb.

Soli
Nacket werde ich wiederum dahinfahren, der Herr hat's gegeben, der Herr hat's genommen, der Name des Herren sei gelobet. Naked shall I also return. The Lord has given; the Lord has taken away, Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Capella
Herr Gott Vater im Himmel, erbarm dich über uns. Lord God, Father in heaven, have mercy upon us!

Soli
Christus ist mein Leben, Sterben ist mein Gewinn. Christ is my life, death is my gain. Behold the Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world.

Capella
Jesu Christe, Gottes Sohn, erbarm dich über uns. Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy upon us!

Soli
Leben wir, so leben wir dem Herren. Sterben wir, so sterben wir dem Herren, darum wir leben oder sterben, so sind wir des Herren. As we live, we live in the Lord; as we die, we die in the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's own.

Capella
Herr Gott heiliger Geist, erbarm dich über uns. Lord God, Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us!

Intonatio
6 Also hat Gott die Welt geliebet, daß er seinen eingebornen Sohn gab. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believed in him will never be lost, but will have eternal life.

Soli
Auf daß alle, die an ihn glauben, nicht verloren werden, sondern das ewige Leben haben. Wa threatening to all, who believe in him, shall not be lost, but shall have eternal life.
Capella
13 Sein Wort, sein Tauf, sein Nachtmahl
dient wider allen Unfall,
der Heilige Geist im Glauben
lehrt uns darauf vertrauen.

Solo
14 Gehe hin, mein Volk, in eine
Kammer und schließ die Tür nach dir zu, verbirge
dich einen kleinen Augenblick, bis der Zorn
vorrübergehe.

Soli
15 Der Gerechten Seele sind in Gottes
Hand und keine Qual rühret sie an, für den
Unverständigen werden sie angesehen, als sterben
sie, und ihr Abschied wird für eine Pein gerechnet,
und ihr Hinfahren für Verderben, aber sie sind in
Frieden.

Solo
16 Herr, wenn ich nur dich habe, so
frage ich nichts nach Himmel und Erden, wenn mir
gleich Leib und Seele verschmacht, so bist du Gott
allzeit meines Herzens Trost und mein Teil.

Capella
17 Er ist das Heil und selig Licht
die Heiden, zu erleuchten, die dich kennen nicht
zu weiden,
er ist seines Volks Israel der Preis,
Ehr, Freud und Wonne.

Soli
18 Unser Leben währet siebenzig Jahr,
und wenn's hoch kommt, so sind's achtzig Jahr, und
wenn es köstlich gewesen ist, so ist es Müh und
Arbeit gewesen.

Capella
19 Ach, wie elend ist unser Zeit
allhier auf dieser Erden,
gar bald der Mensch darnieder leit,
wie müßten alle sterben,
allhier in diesem Jammertal
ist Müh und Arbeit überall,
auch wenn dir's wohl gelinget.

Solo
20 Ich weiß, daß mein Erlöser lebt,
und er wird mich hernach aus der Erden
auferwecken, und werde darnach mit dieser meiner
Haut umgeben werden, und werde in meinem
Fleisch Gott sehen.

Capella
21 Weil du vom Tod erstanden bist,
wer'd ich im Grab nicht bleiben,
mein höchster Trost dein Auffahrt ist,
Todsfurcht kannst du vertreiben,
denn wo du bist, da kom'm ich hin,
daß ich stets bei dir leb und bin,
Drum fahr ich hin mit Freuden.

Solo
22 Herr, ich lasse dich nicht, du segnest
mich denn.

Capella
23 Er sprach zu mir; halt dich an mich,
es soll dir irez gelingen,
ich geb mich selber ganz für dich,
da will ich dir dich ringen,
den Tod verschlingt das Leben mein,
mein Unschuld trägt die Sünden dein,
da bist du selig worden.
II. Motette
24 Herr, wenn ich nur dich habe,
so frage ich nichts nach Himmel und Erden,
wenig gleich Leib und Seele verschmacht,
so bist du doch, Gott, allzeit
meines Herzens Trost und mein Teil.

III. Canticum B. Simeonis
Intonatio
25 Herr, nun lassest du deinen Diener

in Friede fahren, wie du gesagt hast, denn meine
Augen haben deinen Heiland gesehen, welchen du
bereit hast vor allen Völkern, ein Licht, zu
erleuchten die Heiden, und zum Preis deines Volks
Israel.

Compact Disc 18

Geistliche Chor-Musik

Volume 1

1 Es wird das Scepter von Juda nicht
twendet werden noch ein Meister von seinen
Füßen bis der Held komme und demselben werden
die Völker anhangen. Er wird sein Füllen an den
Weinstock binden und seiner Eselin Sohn an den
edlen Reben.

2 Er wird sein Kleid in Wein waschen und
seinen Mantel in Weinbeerblut. Seine Augen sind
rötllicher denn Wein und seine Zähne weißer denn
Milch.

3 Es ist erschienen die heilsame Gnade
Gottes allen Menschen und züchtigt uns, daß wir
sollen verleugnen das ungodliche Wesen und die
weltlichen Lüste und züchtig, gerecht und gottselig
leben in dieser Welt und warten auf die selige
Hoffnung und Erscheinung der Herrlichkeit des
großen Gottes und unsers Heilands Jesu Christi, der
sich selbst für uns gegeben hat auf daß er uns
erlöste von aller Ungerechtigkeit und reinigt ihm
selbst ein Volk zum Eigentum, das fleißig wäre zu
guten Werken.

4 Verleih uns Frieden genädiglich,
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten,
es ist doch ja kein ander nicht,
der für uns könnte streiten,
denn du, unser Gott alleine.

5 Gib unsern Fürsten und aller Obrigkeit
Fried und gut Regiment, daß wir unter ihnen ein
geruhy und stilles Leben führen mögen in aller
Gottseligkeit und Ehrbarkeit. Amen.

O Lord, now grant us thy peace in grace
in this our generation;
For us in truth there is none else
who can make intercession,
but thou, Lord our God, thou only.

Grant to our people and all who govern us peace and
good governance, that we may under them, in all
concord and peaceful spirit live in safety, in all truth
and blessedness and faithfulness. Amen.
Unser keiner lebet ihm selber und keiner stirbet ihm selber, leben wir, so leben wir dem Herren, sterben wir, so sterben wir dem Herren, darum wir leben oder sterben, so sind wir des Herren.


Sammelt zuvor das Unkraut und bindet es in Bündlein, daß man es verbrenne, aber den Weizen sammelt mir in meine Scheune.

Herr, auf dich traue ich, laß mich führen zum ewigen Leben.

O Lieber Herre Gott, wecke uns auf, daß wir bereit sein, wenn dein Sohn kommt, ihn mit Freuden zu empfangen und dir mit reitem Herzen zu dienen, durch denselben, deinen lieben Sohn Jesum Christum, unsern Herren. Amen.

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Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt, daß er seinen eingeborenen Sohn gab, auf daß alle, die an ihn glauben, nicht verloren werden, sondern das ewige Leben haben.

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17 Das Wort ward Fleisch und wohnet unter uns, und wir sahen seine Herrlichkeit, eine Herrlichkeit, als des eingeborenen Sohns vom Vater voller Gnade und Wahrheit.

The word was man and dwelt among us all, and we saw it in its majesty, such a majesty as befits the only son of the Father, wholly gracious and truthful.


Compact Disc 19

Volume 2

1 Herzlich lieb hab ich dich, o Herr, ich bitt, wollst sein von mir nicht fern mit deiner Hülf und Gnade, die ganz Welt nicht erfreuet mich, nach Himmel und Erden frage ich nicht, wenn ich dich nur kann haben.


Tender love have I for thee, Lord; I pray, from me do not depart, with thy great help and mercy. All of this world gives me no joy; no heav'n or earth entices me, if I only possess thee.

And, even though my heart should break, thou still shalt be my steadfast rock, my portion and my heart's own good, who hast redeemed me by thy blood, Lord Jesu Christ, my God and Lord, o let me never be ashamed.

For in truth, thou only dost give my body, soul, and all I have, in this my life's endeavour. I need thy help to sing thy praise and serve all men in all my ways; grant me thy grace and favour. Protect me, Lord, from false pretence; from Satan's power be my defence; in cross and pain uphold thou me, that I may bear them patiently, Lord Jesu Christ, my Lord and God; and comfort me then at my end.

Now, O Lord, thine angels may come to take my soul and lead it home, to Abraham's possession. The body in its house alone, in peace, without distress or pain, shall await resurrection. And then from death awaken me, that with mine eyes I look on thee, in perfect joy, thou God's own son, the Saviour and most gracious one. Lord Jesu Christ, O hear my prayer: for I will praise thee evermore.

2 Das ist je gewißlich wahr und ein teurer wertes Wort, daß Christus Jesus kommen ist in die Welt, die Sünder selig zu machen, unter welchen ich der fürnehmste bin.


Hear the faithful Word of God, for 'tis worthy to be heard: Born was Christ Jesus, born and raised in the world, to bring us sinners salvation, of which sinners I in truth am the chief. Nevertheless I too was pardoned through his mercy, so that in me first Jesus Christ might show forth all mercy and long suffering, for to be a pattern to them which should believe and have life everlasting.

God, the King everlasting, the Lord invisible, the immortal God, all-knowing Spirit be honour and glory evermore, Amen.
I am the only true vine, the husbandman my Father. Every branch and bough in me that is not fruitful, he will destroy it, and every branch and bough which is fruitful, he will purify, so that more fruit groweth. I am the true vine, ye are the branches. Dwell ye in me, and I in you. For as the branches can never be fruitful of themselves, except they in the vine dwell, no more can ye be, except ye dwell in me.

We are citizens of heaven, and from it we shall look for salvation, through Christ Jesus, the Saviour; for he shall transfigure our flesh, transforming it, that it may be fashioned after his glorious body, by the working of that same power by which he brings all things into subjection.

Blest are the departed, which are the Lord’s in dying from henceforth. Saith the Spirit: They rest now from all their labours; and all their works do follow after them.

What my God wills, let that be done; his will alone has merit. He is prepared to help all men who trust with steadfast spirit. He helps in need, the gracious Lord; no judge on earth is like him. Who trusts in him, his hope is firm, God never will forsake him.

I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the latter day from the darkness he shall raise me. Though worms shall destroy my body, yet I in my very flesh shall see God: yea, for myself shall I see him, and with mine eyes shall I then behold him, I and none other.