



For Immediate Release:

Kantorei presents holiday concerts

Program includes local composers

SAINT PAUL, Minn. (Nov. 19, 2017) – Kantorei, the Minnesota-based *a cappella* choral ensemble in its 30th season, will feature composers with local ties in the holiday concerts, Celebrating the Mystery.

Led by Axel Theimer, the group will perform Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m., at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 7217 W Broadway Ave., Brooklyn Park, and Dec. 10, 4 p.m., at Saint Paul Seminary Chapel of Saint Mary, 2260 Summit Ave., Saint Paul.

Music by Minnesota composers includes “Webster” (Early American Hymns) by Carol Barnett, “Rorate Coeli” by Michael Joncas, and “Otche Nash” (Our Father) by Joshua G. Nice. The program includes other favorites, such as “Love came down at Christmas” by Edwin Fissinger, “Beatus Vir (Vespers) by Amadeus Mozart, “Almighty Father” by Leonard Bernstein, “Bogoroditse” by Sergei Rachmaninoff, and more.

Joining the choir on stage will be Metropolitan Chamber Strings, with members Zach Saathoff, Emily Saathoff, Patrick Gallagher, Jeff Erbland, and Eric Solberg.

Audience members will be invited to join in on traditional Christmas carols.

Tickets for the holiday concerts are available for advance purchase at www.kantorei.net or at the door. For more information and group sales, please visit www.kantorei.net or call 612-21-SINGS (612-217-4647). To encourage youth participation in choral activities, Kantorei provides free rush tickets to high school students.

The next opportunity to hear Kantorei will be at the 30th anniversary gala at the Minneapolis Woman’s Club on Feb. 10, 2018.

ABOUT KANTOREI

Directed by Axel Theimer since its inception in 1988, Kantorei is one of the premier *a cappella* choral ensembles in Minnesota. The choir’s approach to singing, with an integral focus on vocal freedom, allows the singers to communicate the emotional and expressive content of music and text with natural beauty. Kantorei’s mission is to share a passion for lifelong singing, with emphasis on distinctive and diverse choral literature. The ensemble’s website is www.kantorei.net.

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