

Featuring the
series of the nine
JS Bach cantatas
with texts by
Christiana Mariana
von Ziegler



25
Anniversary Season

7:30pm Thursday 18 May 2023 – Festival Service (Ascension Day)

Guest preacher The Rev'd Chris Lancaster
Project Officer, Anglican Diocese of Melbourne

includes JS Bach's cantata

Auf Christi Himmelfahrt allein BWV128

for 3 soloists, choir, strings, 3 oboes, 2 horns,
trumpet and continuo

St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra
directed by Graham Lieschke

Sally-Anne Russell (mezzosoprano)

Robert Macfarlane (tenor)

Christopher Tonkin (bass)



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Director of Music: Graham Lieschke

The **St Johns Bach Cantata Program** is an ongoing program presenting the cantatas and choral music of JS Bach in the context for which it was written, liturgical Lutheran church services. Services include organ music on the splendid Smenge pipe organ and congregational singing of chorales and liturgy. The St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra are directed by Graham Lieschke. This is the program's 25th year. In over 200 events, more than 130 different Bach cantatas and most of the oratorios, motets, passion and Latin liturgical music have been presented.

The **St Johns Bach Orchestra** plays on original instruments. St John's baroque instrument collection includes a chamber organ, concert harpsichord, recorder (in d), oboes da caccia, timpani and cornetti. The program has developed substantial local and international collaborations.

St Johns Visiting Music Directors have been Thomas Schmidt (2004, St Peter's Lutheran Church, New York, USA), Georg Christoph Biller (2006, Thomaskirche, Leipzig, Germany), Albrecht Koch (2010, 2018, Dom St Marien, Freiberg, Germany), Rick Erickson (2013, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New York, USA), Daniel Beilschmidt (2019, Leipzig University, Germany).

These events mark the 25th anniversary season of the St Johns Southgate Bach Cantata Program

Future events are organised on a rolling basis

For updates see www.stjohnssouthgate.com.au/index.php/music/bach-cantata

9am Sunday 18 June 2023 – Festival Eucharist (3rd Sunday after Pentecost)

Guest preacher Pastor David Gogoll, Lutheran Church of Australia

JS Bach's **Es ist ein trotzig und verzagt Ding** BWV176*

for 3 soloists, choir, strings, 3 oboes including oboe da caccia and continuo

St Johns Bach Choir and Orchestra

directed by Graham Lieschke

Samantha Hargreaves (soprano)

Sally-Anne Russell (mezzosoprano)

Oliver Mann (bass)

A series featuring the 9 cantatas with texts by Christiana Mariana von Ziegler

2 February 2020 **Ihr werdet weinen und heulen** BWV103

8 March 2020 **Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt** BWV68*

6 March 2022 **Sie werden euch in den Bann tun** BWV183*

8 May 2022 **Er rufet seinen Schafen mit Namen** BWV175*

5 June 2022 **Wer mich liebet, der wird mein Wort halten** BWV74*

18 May 2023 **Auf Christi Himmelfahrt allein** BWV128

18 June 2023 **Es ist ein trotzig und verzagt Ding** BWV176*

TBA **Bisher habt ihr nichts gebeten in meinem Namen** BWV87*

TBA **Es ist euch gut, daß ich hingehe** BWV108*

* St Johns cantata premiere

The program is an activity of the St Johns Southgate congregation.

The **St Johns Southgate Bach Foundation Inc** was formed in 2011 to encourage donations and other activities supporting the program, such as instrument procurement and special project funding.

For more information and various ways to make a donation: www.stjohnssouthgate.com.au.

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