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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

ORGAN CONCERT

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 1981

3:30 P.M.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
116 N. E. PERRY
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Program

Prelude in D Major

DIETRICH BUXTEHUDE
(1637-1707)

Canonic Variations on
"Vom Himmel hoch, da komm' ich her"

J. S. BACH
(1685-1750)

Canone all'ottava
Canone alla quinta
Canto fermo in canone
Canone alla settima
Canon per augmentationem

Toccatà and Fugue in F Major

J. S. BACH

— INTERMISSION —

Epiphanies

DANIEL PINKHAM
(b. 1923)

Introduction and Passacaglia
in D minor

MAX REGER
(1873-1916)

EPIPHANIES by Daniel Pinkham was composed on commission from House of Hope Presbyterian Church, Saint Paul, MN, for the inauguration of the C.B. Fisk organ and premiered by Joan Lippincott. It was written during June, July and August 1978. The term epiphany is used in its original Greek sense: i.e. an appearance or a becoming manifest, especially of a deity. The work consists of five movements, of which three will be heard this afternoon, each preceded by a New Testament quotation, which, although not programmatic, reflects the affect or emotional state of the Biblical passage.



Jesus was born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of Herod. After his birth astrologers from the east arrived in Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who is born to be king of the Jews?' We observed the rising of his star, and we have come to pay him homage.' King Herod was greatly perturbed when he heard this; and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called a meeting of the chief priests and lawyers of the Jewish people, and put before them the question; 'Where is it that the Messiah is to be born?' 'At Bethlehem in Judaea', they replied.

Herod next called the astrologers to meet him in private, and ascertained from them when the star had appeared. He then sent them on to Bethlehem, and said, 'Go and make a careful inquiry for the child. When you have found him, report to me, so that I may go myself and pay him homage.'

They set out at the king's bidding; and the star which they had seen at its rising went ahead of them until it stopped above the place where the child lay. At the sight of the star they were overjoyed. Entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and bowed to the ground in homage to him; then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned home another way.

Matthew 2: 2-5; 7-8

BY THE WATERS OF THE JORDAN

Jesus arrived at the Jordan from Galilee, and came to John to be baptized by him. John tried to dissuade him. "Do you come to me?" he said; 'I need rather to be baptized by you.' Jesus replied, 'Let it be so for the present; we do well to conform in this way with all that God requires.' John then allowed him to come. After baptism Jesus came up out of the water at once, and at that moment heaven opened; he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove to alight upon him; and a voice from heaven was heard saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, on whom my favor rests.'

Matthew 3: 13-17

YOU ARE PETER, THE ROCK

When he came to the territory of Caesarae Phillippi, Jesus asked his disciples, 'Who do men say that the Son of Man is?' They answered, 'Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, others Jeremiah, or one of the prophets.' 'And you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Simon Peter answered: 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' Then Jesus said: 'Simon son of Jonah, you are favored indeed! You did not learn that from mortal man; it was revealed to you by my heavenly Father. And I say this to you: you are Peter, the Rock; and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall never conquer it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of Heaven.'

Matthew 16: 13-19

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