# PRAIRIE UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY Madison, Wisconsin November 20, 1994

### "Music in the Family: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)"

Prelude: Chorale, "Herzliebster Jesu, was hast du verbrochen," from the St. Matthew Passion ---Accordion Ensemble: Doleta Chapru, Rosemarie Lester, Michael Briggs, Bob Steinhofer

Julia Bonser, President

Doleta Chapru and Warren Hagstrom

Lighting the Chalice for the Bach Family

A Bit about the Bachs

Welcome:

Minuet Minuet

Musette

Minuet

**Two Minuets** 

From the Anna Magdalena Notebook:

Aria by Giovannini

---Barbara Park, soprano, and Rosemarie Lester, piano

---Alison Owens, piano ---Emma Giorgi, piano, and Gary Giorgi, recorder

---Emily Owens, piano

---Jennifer Parker, piano ---Ruth Calden, recorder, and George Calden, mandolin

**Chorales and Hymn Tunes:** 

"Lobt Gott Ihr Christen" (You that have spent the silent Night)

---Recorder Ensemble: Doleta Chapru, Dick Bonser, John Grindrod, Warren Hagstrom, Al Nettleton **The Congregation** should join in singing the version on p. 41 in the hymnal after the recorders have played the entire piece once.

"Land of Our Birth" (text by Kipling)

---Vocal trio: Metje Butler, Mary Mullen, Paula Pachciarz

"Jesu Meine Freude," traditional German melody harmonized by J. S. Bach

---Accordion Ensemble

"Jesus, bleibet meine Freude," arr. K. Shaw ----Prairie Choir Barbara Park, director, Doleta Chapru, piano Choir members: Metje Butler, Kay Frazier, Mary Mullen, Aileen Nettleton, Paula Pachciarz, Rachel Siegfried, Michael Briggs, Warren Hagstrom, Rick Owens, Dean Schroeder, Mike Sheehy, Bob Park

# **Music for Voice and Instruments:**

"My heart ever faithful, sing praises" (Mein glaubiges Herze, frohlocke sing scherze) ---Kay Frazier, soprano, and Doleta Chapru, piano

"Gelobet Sei der Herr" from the cantata with the same title

---Gretchen Vetzner, soprano, Jori Vetzner, oboe, and Doleta Chapru, piano

## **Congregation:**

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded," p. 165 in Hymnal ("Wenn ich einmal soll scheiden," from the St. Matthew Passion) ---Accompanied by Accordion Ensemble

Joys and Sorrows

#### Offering

#### Announcements

#### **Congregation:**

"As We Leave This Friendly Place," adapted from Chorale 38, p. 414 in Hymnal

### **Closing Words**

---Julia Bonser

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## **Chronology:**

1685 Johann Sebastian Bach born in Eisenach, Thuringia. His father was a town musician.

1695 JSB orphaned, moved into household of his father's brother, an organist in Ohrduf.

1700-1703 JSB choir member in Luneberg.

1703-1707 JSB organist in New Church, Arnstadt.

1707 JSB married Maria Barbara Bach (a second cousin). They had seven children before her death in 1720.

1707-1708 JSB organist in Muhlhausen.

1708-1717 JSB court organist in Weimar. First published work.

1710 Birth of Wilhelm Friedemann Bach (d. 1784; the "Halle Bach")

1714 Birth of Carl Philipp Emmanuel Bach (d. 1788; the "Berlin - and Hamburg - Bach")

1717-1723 JSB Kapellmeister in Cothen.

1720 JSB started to write the Little Clavier Book for Wilhelm Friedemann.

1721 JSB married Anna Magdalena, daughter of a trumpeter and a professional soprano. They had 13 children. Six Brandenburg Concertos presented to the Elector Christian Louis.

1722 JSB wrote the First Little Clavier Book for Anna Magdalena and published The Well-Tempered Clavier.

1723-1750 JSB Cantor and Director Musices in St. Thomas Church, Leipzig.

1724 The St. John Passion.

1732 Birth of Johann Christoph Friedrich Bach (d. 1795; Kapellmeister, Court of Buckeburg)

1735 Birth of Johann Christian Bach (d. 1782; the "London Bach")

1747 JSB performed for Frederick the Great in Berlin, presented A Musical Offering to him.

1750 Johann Sebastian Bach died in Leipzig.

1829 Felix Mendelsohn, then aged 20, directed **The Saint Matthew Passion** in Berlin and helped to rediscover the music of Bach.