

**The Dutch Fork Choral Society**

Presents:

# APPALACHIAN SPRING



Sarah Elizabeth High, Artistic Director  
Bradley Fuller, Collaborative Pianist

Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 7:00pm  
Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church  
Chapin, SC 29036

# Program

Simple Gifts

Aaron Copeland  
Arr. David L. Bruner

Zion's Walls

Aaron Copeland  
Arr. Glenn Koponen

The Road Home

Stephen Paulus

Fly Away Medley

Arr. Mark Hayes

Down to the River To Pray

Arr. Sheldon Curry

Brethren, We Have Met To Worship

Early American Hymn  
Arr. Alice Parker

Idumea

Charles Wesley

Will The Circle Be Unbroken

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Arr. J. David Moore

# Personnel

**Sarah Elizabeth High** was born and raised in Marietta, GA and is the Choral Director at Swansea High School, the Director of Music at Salem United Methodist Church and is the Artistic Director of the Dutch Fork Choral Society. Mrs. High holds a Master's of Music Ed. from the University of South Carolina and a Bachelor's degree in Music Ed. from the Schwob School of Music at Columbus State University in Columbus, GA. Outside of music Sarah loves to cook with her husband, and spend time outside with their fur-babies.

Originally from Greenwood, SC, **Bradley Fuller** has maintained a deep interest in classical music since the age of six. After high school, he pursued a Bachelor of Arts in Music at the University of South Carolina, studying under Phillip Bush. Bradley also acquired an economics degree while there. He is the host and producer of SC Public Radio's weekday classical music program, Sonatas & Soundscapes. In his free time, Bradley likes to read, explore the outdoors, go thrifting, and play piano.

**Sopranos:** Peggy Aun, Lib Derrick, Rosemary Frick\*~, Whitney Kibler, Jennifer Kraus, Catherine Lazenby, Joan Marco, Sandra Mckie, Fontaine McNamara, Mary Wessinger, Janice Tholstrup, Genny Velazquez

**Altos:** Elaine Abercrombie, Sarah Bailey, Susan Cirulli\*, Mary Kay Elsasser, Carol Funk, Tracey Hagerty, Diane Holden, Laura Langston, Linda Lockwood, Sherry Luzar\*, Dianne Mirmow\*∫, Lill Mood, Karen Young

**Tenors:** Chandler Berry, Pat Butler, Alan Hale, Teresa Heilman, Chris Osier\*, Kirk Adams

**Baritone/Bass:** Rick Abercrombie, Andy Aun, Alan Avant, Blade Boulware, Marion Frick, Ed Henkler, Jim Lindler\*~, Gary Marco

**Other Staff:** Judy Hrinda, Steve Leszczyszyn\*, Terri Leszczyszyn\*

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We're very excited to welcome our new Artistic Director!! **Kaleb Hilton** is the Director of Choral Activities at Blythewood High School, where he conducts five ensembles- Chorale, acaBengals, Treble Singers, Men's Chorus, and Concert Choir. Kaleb also serves as the Co-Choir Director at the South Carolina Tri-DAC Summer Arts Consortium. In addition to teaching, Kaleb serves as an active collaborative pianist and has accompanied choirs at the University of Kentucky, National American Choral Directors Association, Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts, the Kentucky Music Educators Association All-State, and a variety of regional Honor Choirs and schools in Kentucky and South Carolina. A native of Henderson, KY, Kaleb received his Bachelor's Degree in Vocal and Instrumental Education from the University of Kentucky in the fall of 2021.

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## Acknowledgements and Thanks

A huge thank you to **Sarah** for leading us through the last two years! Joining us as we were navigating the “new normal” of Covid, Sarah was a trooper as we sang in masks, rehearsed with a LOT of distance, and just generally “muddled through” what was unprecedented for all of us. She celebrated our 20th anniversary with us in the spring of 2022, helped us find The Light in ‘Us’ with our Jaron Brown commissioned piece during our winter concert, and led us through the fundraiser with DFCS's first ever Murder Mystery Theatre this past February. Tonight, we’re sad to say farewell, but excited for all of you to hear the fruits of her labor with Appalachian Spring -- music inspired by songs, hymns and ballads from Southern Appalachia. Thank you Sarah and best of luck in all your future music making!

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