#### **Members of the Orchestra**

First Violins
Karen Rouse
Rachel Chapman
John Capey
Nicky Dennison
John Dixon
Charles Knowles
Peter Farnbank

Second Violins
Leanne Halstead
Noella Sanderson
Michèle Allen
Jane Emmington
Richard Cardwell

Violas
Stephen Hunt
Julie Reeman
Alan Robinson
Eleanor Chapman

Cellos
Ian Milner
Jane Foster
Irene Hudson
Anne Hardy
Jess Stones

**Double Basses**Sheila Johnston
Amanda Gill
Thomas Goulding

Flutes/Piccolo
Yvonne Smedley
Jill Wookey
Diana Thompson
Bev Straker-Bennett

*Organ*Yvonne Smedley

**Oboes**Elaine Fail
Yvonne Paul

Clarinets Wendy Almond Hilary Caldwell

**Bassoons**Paul Bedford
Lynn Lewis

French Horns
Mar Thomson
Vicky Askew
Collette Astley-Jones

**Trumpets**Chris Andrews
Mike Cornah

*Timpani*Lynne Halstead

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# Conductor PETER BUCKLEY Leader KAREN ROUSE

# with KATE HUNT soprano

Overture to 'The Creatures of Prometheus'

Kantate "Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen" (BWV51)

BACH

Symphony No.3 in E-flat "Eroica"

BEETHOVEN

### SATURDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013 at 7:30pm

FAIRHAVEN METHODIST CHURCH Corner of Woodlands Road and Clifton Drive Lytham St Annes FY8 1BZ

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Programme 50p

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## **Programme**

#### **Overture, 'The Creatures of Prometheus'**

BEETHOVEN

(17 Dec 1770 - 26 Mar 1827)

The Creatures of Prometheus (German: Die Geschöpfe des Prometheus), Op. 43, is a ballet composed in 1801 by Ludwig van Beethoven following the libretto of Salvatore Viganò. The ballet premiered on 28 March 1801 at the Burgtheater in Vienna and was given 28 performances.

This allegorical ballet is based on the myth of Prometheus. The Greek philosophers, who knew of him, elucidate the story in the following manner — they depict Prometheus as a lofty spirit who, finding the human beings of his time in a state of ignorance, refined them through art and knowledge and gave them laws of right conduct.

#### Kantate "Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen"

J.S. BACH

(31 Mar 1685 - 28 Jul 1750)

soprano: Kate Hunt trumpet: Chris Andrews

Aria: Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen Recitativo: Wir beten zu dem Tempel an Aria: Höchster, mache deine Güte Chorale: Sei Lob und Preis mit Ehren

[Finale]: Alleluja

Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen ("Exult in God in every land"), BWV 51, is a church cantata by Johann Sebastian Bach. He composed it for the 15th Sunday after Trinity but also for general use, and first performed it on 17 September 1730 in Leipzig.

The cantata has five movements and is scored for a soprano soloist, trumpet, violins, viola, and basso continuo. It is Bach's only church cantata scored for a solo soprano and trumpet.

The prescribed readings for the Sunday were from the Epistle to the Galatians, Paul's admonition to "walk in the Spirit" (Galatians 5:25–6:10), and from the Gospel of Matthew, from the Sermon on the Mount the demand not to worry about material needs, but to seek God's kingdom first (Matthew 6:23–34).

Both the soprano part, which covers two octaves and calls for a high C, and the solo trumpet part, which at times trades melodic lines with the soprano on an equal basis, are extremely virtuosic.

Alfred Dürr assumes that Bach had an unusually gifted singer, adding that a female voice was unlikely in conservative Leipzig. The trumpet part was probably written for Gottfried Reiche, Bach's principal trumpeter at the time. The scoring is unique in Bach's cantatas, but was frequently used by Italian composers such as Alessandro Scarlatti.

#### **KATE HUNT**

Kate grew up in Heysham in a large, loving family where her musical talents were nurtured through Lancashire Music Services, church and local brass bands, playing flute and euphonium. She trained as a primary teacher at Bretton Hall near Wakefield singing in excellent local choirs. She taught in Blackpool, Madrid and Wesham where music always played a large part both in school and socially, now sharing her love of music with husband Stephen. Four baby boys later Kate started singing lessons with local renowned singing and piano teacher Celia Holland. Kate has competed in local festivals and sung with her Church choir in St Annes United Reformed Church specializing in Handel, Bach, Mozart, British songs, Lieder and Light Opera. All the family play instruments at school and in local ensembles and her eldest son has just started a music degree at Bangor University. Kate is looking forward to returning to sing once again with Fylde Sinfonia.

#### **INTERVAL**

(refreshments available in the hall)

#### "Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen!"

### "Exult in God in every land!"

#### 1. Arie

Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen!
Was der Himmel und die Welt
An Geschöpfen in sich hält,
Müssen dessen Ruhm erhöhen,
Und wir wollen unserm Gott
Gleichfalls itzt ein Opfer bringen,
Daß er uns in Kreuz und Not
Allezeit hat beigestanden.

#### 2. Rezitativ

Wir beten zu dem Tempel an,
Da Gottes Ehre wohnet,
Da dessen Treu,
So täglich neu,
Mit lauter Segen lohnet.
Wir preisen, was er an uns hat getan.
Muß gleich der schwache Mund von
seinen Wundern lallen,
So kann ein schlechtes Lob ihm
dennoch wohlgefallen.

#### 1. Aria

Exult in God in every land!
Whatever creatures are contained by heaven and earth must raise up this praise, and now we shall likewise bring an offering to our God, since He has stood with us at all times during suffering and necessity.

#### 2. Recitativo

We pray at your temple, where God's honour dwells, where this faithfulness, daily renewed, is rewarded with pure blessing. We praise what He has done for us. Even though our weak mouth must gape before His wonders, our meager praise is still pleasing to Him.

#### 3. Arie

Höchster, mache deine Güte Ferner alle Morgen neu. So soll vor die Vatertreu Auch ein dankbares Gemüte Durch ein frommes Leben weisen, Daß wir deine Kinder heißen.

#### 4. Choral

Sei Lob und Preis mit Ehren
Gott Vater, Sohn, Heiligem Geist!
Der woll in uns vermehren,
Was er uns aus Gnaden verheißt,
Daß wir ihm fest vertrauen,
Gänzlich uns lass'n auf ihn,
Von Herzen auf ihn bauen,
Daß uns'r Herz, Mut und Sinn
Ihm festiglich anhangen;
Drauf singen wir zur Stund:
Amen, wir werdn's erlangen,
Glaub'n wir aus Herzensgrund.

# **5. Arie** Alleluia!

#### 3. Aria

Highest, renew Your goodness every morning from now on.
Thus, before this fatherly love, a thankful conscience shall display, though a virtuous life, that we are called Your children.

#### 4. Chorale

Glory, and praise with honour be to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! He will increase in us what He has promised us out of grace, so that we trust fast in Him, abandon ourselves completely to Him, rely on Him within our hearts, so that our heart, will, and mind depend strongly on Him; therefore we sing at this time: Amen, we shall succeed, if we believe from the depths of our hearts.

## **5. Aria** Alleluia!

#### Symphony No.3 in E-flat "Eroica"

**BEETHOVEN** 

(17 Dec 1770 - 26 Mar 1827)

Allegro con brio Marcia funebre: Adagio assai Scherzo: Allegro vivace Finale: Allegro molto

Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony No.3 in E-flat major (Op. 55), also known as the Eroica (Italian for "heroic"), is a musical work marking the full arrival of the composer's "middle-period," a series of unprecedented large scale works of emotional depth and structural rigour.

The symphony is widely regarded as a mature expression of the classical style of the late eighteenth century that also exhibits defining features of the romantic style that would hold sway in the nineteenth century. The Third was begun immediately after the Second, completed in August 1804, and first performed 7 April 1805.

The story of how the Eroica Symphony got its title is nearly as famous as the music itself. We know that Beethoven intended to name his third symphony for Napoleon Bonaparte and his fight against political tyranny; that he tore up the title page in a fit of rage when he learned that Napoleon had appointed himself emperor, and that he opted for the title Sinfonia eroica (Heroic symphony) instead.

The first movement, in 3/4 time, is of the sonata-allegro form. The movement opens with two large E-flat major chords played by the whole orchestra, firmly establishing the tonality. The first theme is introduced by the cellos, and by the fifth bar of the melody, a chromatic note  $(C\sharp)$  is introduced, thus establishing the harmonic tension of the piece. The melody is finished by the first violins, with a syncopated series of G's (which forms a tritone with  $C\sharp$  of the cellos). After the first theme is played by various instruments, the movement transitions to a calmer second theme that leads to the development section.

The development, like the rest of the piece, is characterized by remarkable harmonic and rhythmic tension due to dissonant chords and long passages of syncopated rhythm. Most remarkably, Beethoven introduces a new theme in the development section, breaking the classical tradition that the development section only works with existing material.

The development section leads back into the recapitulation; notably, the horns appear to come in early with the tonic melody while the strings are still playing the dominant chord. The movement ends in a long coda that re-introduces the new theme of the development section.

The second movement is a funeral march in C minor with a trio in C major. The movement contains multiple fugatos, and its solemnity has led to its being used in public funerals. Serge Koussevitzky performed it to commemorate the death of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and Bruno Walter performed the entire symphony at the memorial concert for Arturo Toscanini. It was also performed at the funeral of Felix Mendelssohn in 1847 and by the Munich Philharmonic Orchestra following the "Munich massacre" terrorist attacks during the 1972 Summer Olympics.

The third movement is a lively scherzo and was Beethoven's first attempt at replacing the minuet with a scherzo large enough to fit in with the rest a symphony. It notably features a series of hunting calls from the three horns.

The fourth movement is a set of variations on a theme that Beethoven had used several times before. The theme first was used in the finale of his ballet music for The Creatures of Prometheus and later as a set of piano variations, Op. 35. The theme's subsequent use in this symphony has given the Op. 35 set the nickname "Eroica Variations".

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Extract from the diary of Lieutenant Kenneth Taylor of the Green Howards, written in Normandy on Sunday 13 August 1944:

"Almost at last light I enjoyed hearing some hymns sung on the wireless, and then unexpectedly the most marvellous thing happened. My incredulous ears perceived the slow movement of the Eroica just beginning. Nothing else could have satisfied me quite so much at that moment and my reaction to it dwarfed any other musical experience I have ever had. Surrendering oneself to the Eroica at such a moment was to experience the limit of human feeling. My soul had been torn to shreds during the last few days by all that was grotesque and horrible and here its elements were being washed, soothed, reawakened, and integrated again by the work of someone whose perceptions and sympathies were deeper than those of any other human being."