



PRESS RELEASE

Local choir Trinity Singers, based in Churchill, is well-known for the wide array of music offered in its programmes. On Saturday 25th October, at All Saints Church Wroughton, the choir presents a programme entitled "Give us this day: songs of life and hope", which will again showcase this diversity.

There are stories of life, love and faithlessness, presented in arrangements of folksongs by John Rutter and others. These include variants on the archetypal 'Young man meets maid, pursues maid, betrays maid' tale, as well as the rather less common 'Old lady drowns husband in the river'.

There are stories of struggle, resistance and hope, including the popular spirituals "Steal away", "Go down, Moses" and "Were you there?" There is Ethel Smyth's stirring suffragette anthem "March of the Women", plus the first performance of a new work, "Sympathy", specially written for the concert by local composer Nick Varley. And there is the work from which the concert takes its title: "Give us this day", Ward Swingle's beautiful call to "cherish the earth before it dies".

The concert starts at 7.30 and is conducted by Andrew Tyrrell and accompanied by Claire Alsop.

Tickets, £12.50, are available through the choir website www.trinitysingers.org.uk from any member of the choir, or on the door.

Bob Shapland



NOTE TO EDITORS

The full programme is:

FIRST HALF

- arr Rutter - The Sprig of Thyme, nos 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 11
- arr Vaughan Williams - The Turtle Dove, Linden Lea
- arr AJT - The Nightingale, Early one morning, The Rich Old Lady
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SECOND HALF

- Swingle - Give us this day
- Smyth - March of the Women (SSA)
- Varley - Sympathy (TBB)
- arr Luboff - Deep River
- arr AJT - Were you there?, Steal away, Go down, Moses

Additionally there will be a folksongish instrumental item in the first half (viola & piano - possibly couple of Vaughan Williams' Studies on English Folksong, but yet to be finalised).

For further information please contact Bob Shapland 07769 813489

A vertical poster for a Trinity Singers concert. The background is a photograph of a sunset over a field, with a tree branch in the upper left corner. The text is overlaid on the image.

Trinity Singers
Registered Charity No 1202501

Saturday 25th October 2025
7.30pm

Conducted by Andrew Tyrrell
Accompanied by Claire Alsop

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Songs of life and hope

Including pieces by John Rutter, Vaughan Williams,
and arrangements of well known spirituals.

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