

Re:Creation

For Choir (SATB), Solo Soprano, Mezzo, Tenor & Baritone (SOLOISTS),
and VOICE OF GOD (Baritone)

PART ONE: GOD'S CREATIVITY RELEASED

In the beginning God, His Spirit and the Word create all that is good

A: CHOIR

In the beginning there was God
The God who was and is
And who always will be

Genesis 1:1a

B:

In the beginning was the Word
And the Word was with God
And the Word was God

John 1: 1

C:

In the beginning the God who always is
Made the heavens and the earth

Genesis 1: 1b

D:

In the beginning the Word who always is
Made all things that were and are
Nothing came to life without Him
All that is good came from Him

John 1: 3

E:

From the beginning life was found in Him
His life is the light of all people

John 1: 4

The creation of light by the Light who outshines the darkness

F: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

The Earth was formless and void
And darkness was over
The surface of the deep
The Spirit of God was moving
Over the surface of the waters

Genesis 1: 2**

G: TENORS & BASSES

Then God said
'Let there be light'
And there was light

Genesis 1: 3**

CHOIR

Light
And God saw that the light was good
He separated the light from the darkness

Genesis 1: 4

H:

The light blazed out of the darkness
And the darkness can not overpower it

John 1: 5

I: SOLO BARITONE

Jesus said 'I am the light of the world
Anyone who follows Me
Shall not walk in darkness
But shall have the light of life'

John 8: 12

He is the true light
Who has come into the world
To enlighten everyone

John 1: 9

The visible expression of the invisible God

J: CHOIR

He is the visible expression
Of the invisible God
The first of all creation
In Him all things were made
All in heaven and on earth
All that we can grasp
And all as yet beyond us
Global powers, supernatural forces
All who aspire to rule
And all who are given authority
All have been created through Him
And for Him

SOLO BARITONE

Before anything else was, He was there

CHOIR

And nothing holds together without Him

Colossians 1: 15 – 17

The Word became a human being and lived here

K: SOLO MEZZO

In Him is all the completeness of God
Living in a human body

Colossians 2: 9

L: SOLO MEZZO, BARITONE & CHOIR

The Word became flesh
And lived here with us
We can see His glory
Glory that belongs to
God's one and only Son
Glory that is full
Of God's grace and truth

John 1: 14

M: SOLO MEZZO & CHOIR

In Him we can be made complete

Colossians 2: 10

N: SOLO BARITONE

'I have come' said Jesus
'That you may have life
Life to the full
Life that is complete'

John 10: 10

O: CHOIR

He is the radiance of God's glory
The exact representation of God's nature

SOLO BARITONE & CHOIR

He upholds all things
By the word of His power

Hebrews 1: 3**

He is the same yesterday, today and forever

P: SOLO MEZZO, BARITONE & CHOIR

Jesus is the same yesterday
Today and forever

Hebrews 13:8

PART TWO: GOD'S CREATIVITY REALISED

The Creator of the heavens

A: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

God saw all that He had made
And behold it was very good

Genesis 1:31a**

B: TENORS & BASSES

God said, 'Let there be lights
In the expanse of the heavens
To separate the day from the night
Let them be for signs and for seasons
For days and for years
Let them give light on the earth'

Genesis 1:14

C: SOLO SOPRANO

O Lord our God
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth
You have displayed Your splendour
Above the heavens
When we consider Your heavens
The work of Your fingers
The moon and the stars which You have created
Who are we
That You should even think about us?
Who are we
That you should care about us?
Yet You have made us to be
A little lower than the angels
Crowning us with glory and majesty

Psalms 8: 1

Psalms 8: 3 – 5

The Creator of all living things

D: CHOIR

God said, 'Let the waters teem
With swarms of living creatures
Let the birds fly above the earth
Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind:
Cattle and creeping things
All beasts of the earth after their kind'

Genesis 1: 20a**

Genesis 1: 24**

E: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

You have made us to rule over
The works of Your hands
You have put all things
Under our feet

CHOIR

All sheep and oxen
And all animals in the wild
The birds of the heavens
And fish of the sea
And whatever passes through the paths of the sea

Psalms 8: 6 – 8

The Creator of the material world

F: SOLO BARITONE

You laid the foundation of the Earth
You set out its measurements
You cradle the waters
In the hollow of Your hand
You mark out the heavens
With a span

Job 38: 4a,5a

You count the dust of the earth
You weigh the mountains
In Your scales

Isaiah 40: 12

G: SOLO MEZZO & BARITONE

You stretch out the heavens
Like a curtain
You spread them out
Like a tent to live in

Isaiah 40:22b

The Creator of liquid masses

H: SOLO SOPRANO, MEZZO, BARITONE & CHOIR

You enclose the sea with barriers

Job 38: 8

You say, 'So far you shall come
And no farther
Here your proud waves shall stop'

Job 38: 11

You enter the springs of the sea
You walk the recesses of the deep

Job 38: 16

The Creator of climatic phenomena

I: SOLO TENOR

You enter the storehouses
Of the snow and hail

Job 38: 22

You open up channels
For the floods
You show the way
For the thunderbolt to go

Job 38: 25

J: SOLO TENOR, SOPRANOS & ALTOS

You are the Father of the rain
And disperse each drop of dew
You give birth to the icecaps
And grant life to the frost

Job 38: 28 - 29

K: SOLO TENOR & CHOIR

You send lightning flashes on their way
And number off the clouds

Job 38: 35,37a

SOLO TENOR

You pour water from the heavens
Causing dust to harden
And clods of earth to stick together

Job 38: 37b – 38

The Creator of the animal world

L: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

You cause the mountain goats
To give birth
You watch the deer
Give birth to her fawn

Job 39: 1

You set the wild donkeys
Free to roam

Job 39: 5

M: TENORS & BASSES

You bend the shoulders of the wild ox
And harness his strength
At harvest-time

Job 39: 10

You give the horse his might
And clothe his neck
With flowing mane

Job 39: 19

The Creator of bird life

N: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

You lead the ostrich
To lay her eggs on the ground Job 39: 13 – 14

TENORS & BASSES

You teach the hawk to fly
Stretching his wings toward the South Job 39: 26

CHOIR

You command the eagles
To soar high
To fly Job 39: 27 – 28

The Creator who empowers the weary

O: SOLOISTS & CHOIR

You are the Lord of heaven and earth
You are the God who always is
You are the Lord
The Creator of the ends of the earth Job 39: 27 – 28
You never tire or grow weary
You know everything there is to know
Your understanding is beyond us
To the weary You give strength
To those who are weak
You increase their power
Those who wait for You
Become strong again
They rise up on eagles' wings
They run and not get weary
They walk and not grow faint Isaiah 40: 28b – 31

P:

O Lord our God
How majestic is Your name
In all the Earth Psalm 8: 1a

PART THREE: GOD'S CREATIVITY RESISTED

God's people make their own gods

A: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

The God who was and is and always will be
Made the earth by His power
By His wisdom He created the world
And stretched out the heavens Jeremiah 10:12b*

B: TENORS

When He thunders
The waters in the heavens roar

TENORS & BASSES

He makes clouds rise
From the ends of the earth
He sends lightning with the rain
And from His storehouses
Sends out the wind Jeremiah 10:13a***

C: CHOIR

At the sight of this
People feel foolish and senseless
Those who make idols are deceived
Because the gods they make
Are false and lifeless
They are worthless
And should be despised
They will be destroyed
When the Lord comes to deal with them

Jeremiah 10:14-15

D: SOLO TENOR

The God of Jacob is not like them
He is the One who made everything

Jeremiah 10:16a*

SOLO TENOR & CHOIR

The Lord Almighty is His name

Jeremiah 10:16b*

God's creatures obey His rules but His people ignore them

E: VOICE OF GOD (BARITONE)

Why then, My people, do you turn
Away from Me
Without ever turning back?
You cling to your idols
And refuse to return to Me
I listen carefully
But you do not speak the truth
Not one of you has been sorry
For his wickedness
Not one of you has asked
'What have I done wrong?'
Everyone keeps on going his own way
Like a horse rushing into battle

Jeremiah 8: 5 – 6

F:

Even storks know when it is time to return
Doves, swallows and thrushes
Know when it is time to migrate

Jeremiah 8:7a*

G:

But My people, you do not know
The laws by which I rule you

Jeremiah 8:7b*

God's creation respects His boundaries but His people disrespect Him

H:

My people are foolish and senseless
You have eyes but do not see
You have ears but do not hear
I am the Lord
Why do you not honour Me?
Why do you not tremble before Me?

Jeremiah 5:21-22a

I: CHOIR

He made the sand as the boundary for the sea
A permanent boundary that it cannot cross
The sea may be rough
But it cannot go beyond it
The waves may roar
But they cannot break through

Jeremiah 5:22b

J: VOICE OF GOD

Yet My people, you are stubborn and rebellious
You have turned aside and have left Me

You never thought to honour Me
Even though I send
Both spring and autumn rains
And give you harvests every year
Your sinfulness has turned you away
Your sins have deprived you of good

Jeremiah 5: 23-25

God's people cry for His mercy

K: SOLO SOPRANO & MEZZO

O Lord, You search me
And know me
You know when I work
And when I rest
You understand my thoughts
Before I do
You know my past and my future
You know everything about me

Psalms 139:1-3

L: CHOIR, SOLO SOPRANO & MEZZO

Be merciful to me, O God
Because of Your constant love
Because of Your great mercy
Wipe away my sins
Wash away all my evil
Make me clean from my sin

Psalms 51: 1-2*

God promises to forgive those who return to Him

M: VOICE OF GOD

If My people who are called by My name
Humble themselves and pray
If they seek My face
And turn from their wicked ways
Then I will hear from heaven
I will forgive their sin
And I will heal their land

2 Chronicles 7:14

PART FOUR: GOD'S CREATIVITY RESTORED

God's people are separated from Him by their sin

A: SOLO BARITONE

Dare we say 'The Lord has forsaken us
He has forgotten us?'

Isaiah 49: 14

SOLO MEZZO

Can a mother forget her nursing child?
Can she feel nothing for the child she bore?

VOICE OF GOD (BARITONE)

Even she may forget
But I will not forget you
Behold I have written your name
On the palms of My hands
I keep you as the apple of My eye
I hide you in the shadow of My wings

Isaiah 49:15-16

Psalms 17: 8

B: SOLO TENOR

Do not think that the Lord's hand

Is too weak to save you
His ear deaf to your call for help
It is your sin that separates you from Him

Isaiah 59:1-2

God's people cannot do what is right

C: CHOIR
We hope for light to walk by
But there is only darkness
We move around like people who are blind

Isaiah 59:9b*
Isaiah 59:10

SOLO MEZZO, TENOR, BARITONE & CHOIR
The good we want to do
We cannot do
Yet we do the evil
We do not want to do

Romans 7:19

CHOIR
Is there anyone who will rescue us?
Is there anyone who will save us?
Thank God there is:
Jesus Christ the Lord

Romans 7:24

God provides restoration

D:
While we were still helpless
Christ died for us
By this God has shown us
How much He loves us
While we were still sinners
Christ died for us
By His death on the cross
We are now put right with God
We were God's enemies
But He has made us His friends
Through the death of His Son
In order to bring us
Holy, pure and faultless
Into His presence

Romans 5:6
Romans 5:8
Romans 5:9a
Romans 5:10*
Colossians 1:22b

E: SOLO BARITONE
Because of His great mercy
God gives us new life
By raising Jesus from the dead

1 Peter 1:3b

SOLOISTS & CHOIR
All who believe in Him will not die
But will have eternal life
They possess an inheritance that
Cannot decay or spoil or fade away
Ready to be revealed
At the end of time

John 3:16b
1 Peter 1:4
1 Peter 1:5b*

God's restored people rejoice

F: SOLO BARITONE
With all my heart I praise the Lord
With all that I am
I praise His holy name

SOLO MEZZO
With all my heart I praise the Lord
And forget none of His blessings

SOLO TENOR

He forgives all my sins
He heals all my sickness

SOLO SOPRANO

He saves my life from Hell
He crowns me with His love and mercy

SOLOISTS

Each day I live
He meets my needs
He gives me the strength of an eagle

SOLO SOPRANO & MEZZO

For all whose cry is for justice
He always does what is right
The Lord is merciful and gracious
Slow to anger with a love
That never fails
He will not always accuse us
Or will He be angry forever
He does not punish us as our sins deserve
Or pay us back for the evil we have done

Psalm 103: 1-6

SOLOISTS

As far as the heavens are above the earth
So great is His love for those who worship Him
As far as the east is from the west
So far has He taken our sins away from us

SOLO BARITONE

As a father has compassion on his children
So the Lord has compassion on all who worship Him

Psalm 103: 8 -13

G: SOLOISTS & CHOIR

The Lord in heaven has set up His throne
He rules over everything and everyone
All you His angels, praise the Lord
All you His creatures, praise the Lord

Psalm 103: 19 -20a

H: TENORS, BASSES, SOLO TENOR & BARITONE,

With all my heart I praise the Lord
With all that I am
I praise His holy name

SOPRANOS, ALTOS, SOLO SOPRANO & MEZZO

With all my heart I praise the Lord
And forget none of His blessings

SOLOISTS & CHOIR

He forgives all my sins
He heals all my sickness
He saves my life from Hell

ALTOS, BASSES, SOLO MEZZO & BARITONE

He crowns me with His love and mercy

SOLOISTS & CHOIR

Each day I live
He meets my needs
He gives me the strength of an eagle

Psalm 103: 1 -5

PART FIVE: GOD'S CREATIVITY RENEWED

God's restored people become His children

A: SOLO TENOR

The Word came to the world He made
And to all who receive
And believe in Him
He gives the right to become children of God John 1:11
Those who are led by the Spirit of God
Are children of God
Who possess the blessings
God keeps for His people
And later will possess the blessings
God has promised His Son Romans 8:16-17

All creation waits for God's children to be revealed

B: CHOIR

All creation waits with eager expectation
For the children of God
To be revealed
Up to this time
All of creation groans with pain
Like the pain of childbirth
We too who have the Spirit of God
As the first of His gifts
Also groan within ourselves
As we wait for God to adopt us
As sons and set our bodies free Romans 8:22 – 23

God will provide His children with new homes and new bodies

C: SOLO MEZZO & SOPRANO

Whilst our physical bodies are to die
Our spirit within us is renewed day by day 2 Corinthians 4:16
When the bodies in which we now live
Are broken down
God will have a house in Heaven
For us to live in
A home He Himself has made
One which will last forever 2 Corinthians 5:1

D: SOLO TENOR

Jesus said, 'Do not be worried or anxious
Trust in God, trust also in Me
In My Father's house there are many rooms
I go there to prepare a place for you
Rest assured, I will come back
And take you to be with me
So that where I am
You will be as well' John 14:1-3

E: SOLOISTS & CHOIR

We are citizens of heaven
Who eagerly await our Saviour
To come from there
The Lord Jesus Christ will change
Our physical bodies
So that they will be like
His glorious Body
To do this, He will use
The power He has
By which He is able

To bring everything under His control

Philippians 3:20-21

All creation will worship God's Son

F: VOICE OF GOD (BARITONE)

I have raised Jesus to the highest place
I have given Him the name
That is greater than any other name
That at the name of Jesus
All beings in heaven and earth
Will fall on their knees
And openly proclaim that
'Jesus Christ is Lord'

CHOIR

To the glory of God the Father

Philippians 2:9-11

God is making everything new

G: SOLO MEZZO

The Lord who sits on heaven's throne says:

VOICE OF GOD

Look I am making everything new

Revelation 21:5

SOLOISTS & CHOIR

Now God is at home with His people
He will live with us
And we will be His own
He will be with us and be our God
And wipe every tear from our eyes
There will be no more death
No more sadness, crying or pain
The old ways will be gone forever

Revelation 21:3b – 4

VOICE OF GOD

Look I am making everything new

Revelation 21:5

H: SOLO MEZZO

The Lord who sits on heaven's throne says:

VOICE OF GOD

Everything is finished
I am Alpha and Omega
The First and the Last
The Beginning and the End

Revelation 21:13

God's great new city will appear

I: SOLOISTS & CHOIR

God's great new city will appear
Coming out of heaven
Like a radiant bride
Shining with God's glory
Like a sparkling jewel
Dazzling with His pure light

Revelation 21:2

Revelation 21:11

J: SOLO SOPRANO, SOPRANOS & ALTOS

Jasper walls enclose the golden city
Clear as crystal
Built firm on precious stones
Jasper, sapphire, chalcedony
Emerald, onyx, carnelian
Chrysolite, beryl, topaz
Chrysoprase, jacinth, amethyst

Revelation 21:19-20

Each of its twelve gates
A solid pearl
Each part of its streets
Pure clear gold

TENORS, BASSES, SOLO TENOR & BARITONE

No need for temples there
The Lord God all-powerful
And the Lamb are the city's temple
No need for sun or moon
The glory of God is its light
The Lamb its lamp

SOLOISTS & CHOIR

The nations of the world
Will walk by that light
The kings of the earth
Will bring their glory to it
On no day will its gates be shut
And night-time never comes
The glory and honour
Of the nations will be brought to it
Nothing unclean will ever enter it
None who deceive or defile will be there
Only those named in the Lamb's
Book of life will live there

Revelation 21:21-27

K: SOLO MEZZO

The God who was and is
And always will be says:

VOICE OF GOD

I will freely give water
From the spring of the water of life
To all those who are thirsty
All who keep the faith to the end
Will inherit all of this
And I will be their God
And they will be my children

Revelation 21:6-7

L: SOLOISTS & CHOIR

The river of the water of life
Shines like crystal
Flowing from the throne of God
And of the Lamb

VOICE OF GOD

On each side of the river
Is the tree of life
Yielding twelve kinds of fruit

VOICE OF GOD + SOLOISTS

Its leaves bring healing to the people

Revelation 22:1-2

At the end of all things God and the Word reign eternally

M: TENORS & BASSES

At the end of all things there is God
The God who was and is
And who always will be

Genesis 1: 1a

N: SOPRANOS & ALTOS

At the end of all things is the Word
And the Word is with God
And the Word is God

John 1: 1

O: SOLOISTS & CHOIR

At the end of all things the God who always is
Will make new heavens and new earth

Revelation 21: 1a

P:

At the end of all things the Word who always is
Renews all things that will be
Nothing will have life without Him
All that is good will come from Him
All that is of God will last forever
Amen, Amen, Amen
Come Lord Jesus

Revelation 22:20

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