in the Atrium

MAY 17, 2021 Jana DeShane, Alto Julia Brown, Piano

Minnelied Song of Love

Johann Ludwig Tieck (1773-1853) Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

The poem reflects on the incredible beauty of nature, yet in spite of creation's beauty, nothing is more beautiful than the people we love.

Birdsong sounds more beautiful when the pure angel who has won my young heart wanders through the woods.

Valley and meadow bloom redder, the grass grows greener, Where my lady's fingers gathered Maytime flowers.

Without her all is dead, flowers and herbs are withered, and the spring sunset seems neither radiant nor fair.

Gentle, charming lady, do not ever leave me; that my heart, like this meadow, might bloom in bliss!

God the Creative Artist

Allen Hackett

He who paints the sky is an artist beyond compare His masterful strokes expand the universe Down through the depths of the sea He creates...He plants...He harvests and He reaps All to express His love and kindness within you and me



His loving kindness continues forever...

Psalm 136

1 Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his loving-kindness continues forever.

4 Praise him who alone does mighty miracles, for his loving-kindness continues forever.

5 Praise him who made the heavens, for his loving-kindness continues forever.

6 Praise him who planted the water within the earth, for his lovingkindness continues forever.



7 Praise him who made the heavenly lights, for his loving-kindness continues forever:

8 the sun to rule the day, for his loving-kindness continues forever;

9 and the moon and stars at night, for his loving-kindness continues forever.

16 Praise him who led his people through the wilderness, for his lovingkindness continues forever.

17 Praise him who saved his people from the power of mighty kings, for his loving-kindness continues forever,

23 He remembered our utter weakness, for his loving-kindness continues forever.

24 And saved us from our foes, for his loving-kindness continues forever.

25 He gives food to every living thing, for his loving-kindness continues forever.

26 Oh, give thanks to the God of heaven, for his loving-kindness continues forever.



ART SONG IN THE ATRIUM is a virtual series, designed to offer music and poetry, images and scripture readings as aids to personal devotions and a time of meditation.

The series features singers from Mayflower's Chancel Choir and, beginning February 22, will also feature the beautiful Bösendorfer piano acquired in the fall of 2020, housed in the warm, vibrant acoustics of our Atrium.

We are grateful to the many generous donors who contributed to the purchase of our new piano, which allows for projects such as this one to come to life.

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