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Christmas Concert

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Complete Series 2833

"Messiah"

GEORG FRIEDRICH HANDEL

SOLOISTS:

MARIE WILKINS, *Soprano*
ERNEST MCCHESENEY, *Tenor*

EDWINA EUSTIS, *Contralto*
DOUGLAS BEATTIE, *Baritone*

PALMER CHRISTIAN, *Organist*
UNIVERSITY CHORAL UNION
UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
THOR JOHNSON, *Conductor*

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 14, 1941, AT 4:15
HILL AUDITORIUM, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

PROGRAM

(In order that the continuity of the work be maintained, it is requested that the audience refrain from applause until the end of each part.)

Part I

Overture

Recitative (Tenor)		<i>Comfort ye my people</i>
Air (Tenor)		<i>Every valley shall be exalted</i>
Chorus		<i>And the glory of the Lord</i>
Recitative (Bass)		<i>Thus saith the Lord</i>
Air (Bass)		<i>But who may abide the day of His coming?</i>
Recitative (Contralto)		<i>Behold, a virgin shall conceive</i>
Air (Contralto) and Chorus		<i>O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion</i>
Chorus		<i>For unto us a Child is born</i>
Recitative	} (Soprano)	<i>There were shepherds abiding in the field</i>
Recitative		<i>And lo! the angel of the Lord came upon them</i>
Recitative		<i>And the angel said unto them</i>
Recitative		<i>And suddenly there was with the angel</i>
Chorus		<i>Glory to God</i>

Part II

Chorus	<i>Behold the Lamb of God</i>
Air (Contralto)	<i>He was despised</i>
Air (Soprano)	<i>Come unto Him</i>
Chorus	<i>Surely He hath borne our griefs</i>
Chorus	<i>And with His stripes</i>
Recitative (Tenor)	<i>Thy rebuke hath broken His heart</i>
Air (Tenor)	<i>Behold, and see if there be any sorrow</i>
Recitative (Soprano)	<i>He was cut off</i>
Air (Soprano)	<i>But Thou didst not leave</i>
Chorus	<i>Lift up your heads</i>

INTERMISSION

Part III

Recitative (Bass)	<i>Behold, I tell you a mystery</i>
Air (Bass)	<i>The trumpet shall sound</i>
Recitative (Contralto)	<i>Then shall be brought to pass</i>
Duet (Alto and Tenor)	<i>O death, where is thy sting?</i>
Air (Bass)	<i>Why do the nations so furiously rage</i>
Air (Soprano)	<i>I know that my Redeemer liveth</i>
Chorus	<i>Worthy is the Lamb</i>
Chorus	<i>Hallelujah</i>

