

Raabe Commissioned Works

In 1991, Dr William and Rev Nancy Raabe began commissioning hymn settings, concertatos, anthems, and other music for the church at large. Here is information about those commissioned works. Please contact the publisher, composer, or [William Raabe](#), for copies or performance information.

The Hymn Festival for the 2018 Concordia University Chicago Lectures in Church Music featured about a dozen of these pieces, in celebration of the composers who have contributed to the project.

Nancy [discussed](#) the commissioning project at the 2015 Good Shepherd Institute. Bill [discussed](#) the project in the ALCM newsletter *In Tempo*.

Current as of July 2022.

| Composer | Title | Hymn | Requires | Premiered at | Dedicated to | Published |
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| David Cherwien | All Depends on Our Possessing | LSB 732 ELW 589 | Unison or two-part choir, organ, opt cong and c instr | | Margaret Raabe | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | All My Heart Again Rejoices | LSB 360 ELW 273 | SATB, organ, trumpet, cong | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Brad Hall | CPH 98-3992 |
| Walter Pelz | All the Earth with Joy is Sounding | LSB 462 | SATB, organ, cong, opt brass quartet and timpani | Trinity Lutheran Seminary | Tom and Jane Buck | CPH 97-6933, 98-3660 |
| David Cherwien | All You Works of the Lord, Bless the Lord! | LSB 930 | SATB, organ, cong, opt cantors, opt handbells | Peace, New Berlin | Cantors of Peace, New Berlin | CPH 98-3330 |
| Emily Porter | Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn | ELW 242 | SATB, organ, cong, flute, oboe, soprano | Peace, New Berlin | William Raabe | |
| David Schack | Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn | ELW 242 | SATB or unison choir, organ, oboe, cong | | William Raabe | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Awake, My Heart, With Gladness | LSB 467 ELW 378 | SATB, organ, brass quintet, timpani, cong | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Margaret Raabe | CPH 97-7476 |
| John Behnke | Awake, My Heart, With Gladness | LSB 467 ELW 378 | SATB, keyboard, two flutes | | Tom Leeseberg-Lange | CPH 98-3999 |
| Emily Porter | Be Thou My Vision | ELW 793 | SATB or baritone, soprano, flute, organ, cong | Peace, New Berlin | Laura Kohrs | |
| John Behnke | Carillon | Original | Organ | | Margaret Raabe | CPH 97-6952 |

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| Tom Mueller | Chorale and Variations; Aria; Toccata | Original organ sonata | Organ | | Steven Wente | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Christ, Be My Leader | LSB 861 | Flute, solo voice, keyboard, opt cong | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Nancy Raabe | Morningstar MSM-50-5914 |
| Linda Kempke | Christ, Be Our Light | ELW 715 | 2-part choir, piano, cong, opt handbells, flute | Luther Memorial, Madison | Bill and Nancy Raabe, 25 th Anniversary | |
| David Schack | Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia | LSB 466 ELW 364 | SATB, keyboard, percussion, cong | | William Raabe | |
| Charles Ore | Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation | ELW 645 LSB 909 | SATB, trombone, cong | | Franklin Wilson | CPH 97-7762 |
| David Cherwien | Come Bless the Lord | <i>Truro</i> , various verses, incl two original by Susan Palo Cherwien | SATB, organ, opt cong and trumpet | | Bill and Nancy Raabe, 10 th anniversary | AMSI 835S |
| Donald Busarow | Come With Songs of Gladness | Various Paul Gerhardt hymns | Organ and instrument | | William and Nancy Raabe | CPH 97-7158 |
| Paul Weber | Come You Faithful Raise the Strain | LSB 487 ELW 363 | SATB, organ, cong, brass quartet | | Marilyn Bartz | |
| Carl Schalk, Susan Palo Cherwien | Day of Arising | ELW 374 | SATB, cong, organ | | William and Nancy Raabe | Augsburg 11- 11000 |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice | ELW 594 LSB 556 | Choir, Brass Quintet, Timpani, flute, organ, congregation | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Reformation 500 | |
| Tom Mueller | Five Chorale Preludes on Joyful Themes | Original Suite | Organ | | Diet at Worms 500 | |
| Robert Hobby | For All the Saints | Original, Funeral Suite | Organ | | Meta Scholz, Edna Schultz | Augsburg 9780800675370 |
| Robert Hobby | For All the Saints, volume 2 | Original, Funeral Suite | Organ | | Bill and Nancy Raabe | Augsburg 9780800679101 |
| Robert Hobby | For All the Saints, volume 3 | Original, Funeral Suite | Organ | | Bill and Nancy Raabe | Augsburg 9781451486056 |
| John Paradowski | From God Can Nothing Move Me | LSB 713 | SATB, organ, cong | St Matthew, Wauwatosa | Martin Raabe | |

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| Kevin Hildebrand | The Gifts Christ Freely Gave | LSB 602 | SATB, organ, cong, oboe | St Paul, Fort Wayne | Jennifer Anderson Koenig | CPH 98-4223 |
| David Cherwien | God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven | LSB 877 ELW 564 | SATB, organ, cong, opt flute or oboe | Peace, New Berlin | Ann Siverling | Summa 2035 |
| John Paradowski | God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens | ELW 771 | SATB, organ, cong, opt handbells | St Matthew, Wauwatosa | Charles and Mary Miller | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Holy God, We Praise Thy Name | LSB 940 LBW 535 ELW 414 | TTBB, organ, percussion, cong, brass choir | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Hope Lutheran Church, Milton WI | |
| Carl Schalk, Gracia Grindal | How Good, God Said, and Blessed the Two | Original text and tune | SATB, organ, cong, flute | Peace, New Berlin | David and Paula Raabe | Augsburg 11-10678 GIA G-5970 |
| John Behnke | I Know That My Redeemer Lives | LSB 461 ELW 619 | SAB, organ, cong, opt trumpet, opt handbells | Peace, New Berlin | William and Shirley Raabe | CPH 98-3197 |
| Thomas Keesecker | In Our Day of Thanksgiving | Original setting | SAB and piano | | William and Nancy Raabe | Augsburg 9781451424133 |
| Kenneth Kosche | I Walk in Danger All the Way | LSB 716 | SAB, organ, flute, oboe or violin. Opt cong | | Don and Mary Korte | CPH 96-3599 |
| Jonathan Kohrs | I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light | LSB 411 ELW 815 | Children's Choir, organ, cong, opt bass solo, flute or oboe | Our Redeemer, Wauwatosa | Margaret Raabe | |
| Richard Hillert, Susan Palo Cherwien | Image of the Unseen God | Original text and tune | SATB or cong, keyboard | | | Augsburg 11-11101 |
| Emily Porter, Susan Palo Cherwien | In Deepest Night | ELW 699, original tune | SATB or solo, organ, cong, oboe | | Van Nichols | Augsburg 11-10818 |
| Larry Long | In Deepest Night | ELW 699, original tune | SATB, organ, oboe | | Van Nichols | |
| John Behnke, Michael Meyer | In the Manger | Original text and tune | SAB, keyboard | | | CPH 98-3286 |
| Donald Busarow | Jesus Has Come | LSB 533 | SATB, organ, cong, baritone, horn or trombone | Our Savior, Milwaukee | William Raabe | CPH 97-6400 |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Jesus Has Come | LSB 533 | Organ, brass quintet, timpani, TTBB, cong | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Linda Kempke | |
| Emily Porter | Jesus I Will Ponder Now | LSB 444, ELW 345 | SAB, organ, cong, oboe | Peace, New Berlin | William Raabe | |
| Tom Mueller | The King of Love My Shepherd Is | LSB 709 ELW 502 | Organ, cong, opt SATB, opt flute, violin, or oboe | | Bill and Nancy Raabe, 30 th anniversary | |

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| Kevin Hildebrand | Let All Together Praise Our God | LSB 389 ELW 287 | SATB, brass, timpani, organ, cong | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Carl Schalk | |
| John Behnke | Let All Together Praise Our God | LSB 389 ELW 287 | SATB, organ, cong, opt handbells, opt trumpet, opt horn or trombone | Concordia University Wisconsin | Nancy Raabe | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Let the Whole Creation Cry | ELW 876, with original v4 | Cong, opt choir, organ, opt trumpet | | Bill and Nancy Raabe, 20th anniversary | |
| Donald Busarow | Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart | LSB 708, ELW 750 | SATB, organ, oboe, opt cong | St Paul, Milwaukee | Ann Siverling | CPH 98-3429 |
| Jacob Weber | Luther's Divine Service for small choir | Luther's Mass, various hymns | Cong, two-part choir, trumpet, organ | Carthage College (WI) | 2017 LCMS Institute on Liturgy, Preaching, Church Music | CPH 97-7798 |
| Marie Rubis Bauer, Gracia Grindal | My Heart, Be Still | Original text and tune | SATB, organ, cong | | Meta Rieth | |
| Charles Ore | O Day Full of Grace | LSB 503 ELW 627 | SATB, organ, brass choir, cong | | Nancy Raabe | CPH 97-6988 |
| Kevin Hildebrand | O God of Light | LBW 237, ELW 507, LSB 836 | SATB, cong, brass quintet, timpani, organ | St Paul, Fort Wayne | Bill and Nancy Raabe, 25 th anniversary | |
| Stephen Rohde | O God of Light | LSB 836, ELW 507, LBW 237 | SATB, organ, cong, trumpet | Our Savior, Milwaukee | Jill Raabe | |
| David Cherwien | O Holy Spirit Enter In | LSB 913 ELW 786 | SATB or two part choir, organ, cong, opt brass quartet | St Luke Chicago | Martin and Carol Bangert | CPH 98-3484, 98-6769 |
| Robert Hobby ed | O Love that Casts Out Fear | Brahms folk tune | SATB | | Marlys Greinke | MorningStar MSM-50-6030 |
| Charles Ore | O Morning Star | LSB 395, ELW 308 | Organ prelude | | Martin Raabe | CPH 95-6517 |
| Charles Ore | O Morning Star | LSB 395 ELW 308 | SATB, organ, cong, brass choir, oboe | Peace, New Berlin | Martin Raabe | CPH 97-6605 CPH 97-7446 |
| Tom Mueller | O Morning Star | LSB 395, ELW 308 | Original organ suite | St John, Orange CA | Bruce Bengtson | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Oh, How Blest Are They | LSB 679, ELW 526, CW 554 | SATB, oboe, organ, cong, opt strings | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Shirley Raabe | |
| Marie Rubis Bauer | People Look East | ELW 248 | SATB, organ, cong, opt handbells | First Presby, Topeka | Margaret Raabe | Hinshaw HMC-1822 |

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| Donald Busarow | Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven | LSB 793 ELW 864,865 | SATB, organ, cong, brass choir | St Paul, Milwaukee | Jill Raabe | MorningStar MSM-60-7023- A,B |
| Robert Hobby | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | LSB 790 ELW 858,859 | SATB, organ, cong, timpani, cymbals, brass quintet | | Richard Raabe, Ruth Raabe, Ronald Semmann | MorningStar MSM 60-9023, 9023A, 9023B |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng | LBW 553 LSB 813 ELW 873 | TTBB, organ, percussion, cong, brass choir | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Bill and Nancy Raabe | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers | LBW 25, LSB 515, ELW 244 | TTBB, brass quintet, timpani, organ, cong | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Bill and Nancy Raabe | |
| Charles Ore | Rise, Shine You People | LSB 825 ELW 665 | SATB, trumpet, cong | | Bill and Nancy Raabe | CPH 97-7762 |
| John Behnke | Road to Calvary | Original organ suite for Holy Week | Organ | | Marilyn Bartz | CPH 97-7072 |
| John Behnke | Road to Bethlehem | Original organ suite for Advent | Organ | | Jill, Dana, Lydia Raabe | CPH 97-7071 |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses | LSB 667 | Cong, organ, TTBB, brass quintet, timpani | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Walter Bouman | |
| Jonathan Kohrs | Shine in Our Hearts | Original anthem, general | TTBB, viola | Concordia Seminary (MO) | Concordia Seminary (MO) Chorus | |
| Donald Busarow | Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good | ELW 871, LSB 819, LBW 542 | Cong, organ, SATB, brass quartet | Wittenberg University (OH) | Tom Leeseberg- Lange | |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good | ELW 871, LSB 819, LBW 542 | Cong, organ, SATB, brass quintet, timpani | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Lisa Dahill | CPH 98-3983 |
| Kevin Hildebrand | Sing With All the Saints in Glory | LSB 671, ELW 426 | Trumpet, organ, cong, opt two-part choir | Concordia Seminary Fort Wayne (IN) | Ann Lee | |
| Marie Rubis Bauer | Take My Life and Let It Be | LSB 783, ELW 583,685; original tune | SATB, organ, cong, soprano, flute | | | Hinshaw HMC- 1673 |

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| Robert Hobby | The Church's One Foundation | Original organ suite on LSB 644, ELW 654 | Organ, opt cong | | Elmer Neitzel | MorningStar MSM-10-527 |
| Gary Foxe | The Lord Remembers Faithful People | Original text on St Clement | SAB, organ, cong, opt flute | St Paul, Skokie | Paula Raabe | |
| Larry Long, Susan Palo Cherwien | There is the Love of God | Original text and tune | Unison choir or solo, organ, flute | | Van Nichols | |
| Thomas Keesecker | The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve | Original text on Chesterfield | SATB, organ, brass quintet, cong | | William and Nancy Raabe | |
| David Cherwien | Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels | LSB 491 | SAB, organ, cong, opt trumpet | Peace, New Berlin | Nancy Raabe | Augsburg 11-11020 |
| Thomas Keesecker | What Feast of Love | Original tune, arrangement | SAB or SATB, 2 pt handbells | | William and Nancy Raabe | MorningStar MSM-50-7510 |
| John Behnke | What Wondrous Love | LSB 543 ELW 666 | SATB, organ, opt cong | St Paul, Skokie | David and Paula Raabe, 20 th anniversary | CPH 98-3598 |
| Charles Ore | When in Our Music God is Glorified | LSB 796 ELW 851 | SATB, organ, cong, brass choir, double bass | Mt Olive, Milwaukee | Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee | CPH 97-6988 |
| Larry Long | When Long Before Time | ELW 861 | SATB, organ, cong | Denver ALCM | Nancy Raabe | |
| Paul Bouman | While Shepherds Lately Knelt | LSB 369 | TTBB, strings, organ | Concordia Seminary (MO) | David Koch | |

PIECES RECEIVING ALCM [RAABE PRIZE](#) FOR EXCELLENCE IN COMPOSITION

| Year | Composer | Title | Requires | Published |
|------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1998 | Robert Buckley Farlee | Solemn Reproaches of the Cross | SATB, soloists, piano | Augsburg 0800674723 |
| 2000 | Richard Proulx | We Adore You O Christ | SATB | Paraclete PPM09836 |
| 2002 | Paul Weber | Arise, Shine! | SSAATTBB | Augsburg 0800677366 |
| 2005 | John Ferguson | Who Is This? | SATB and viola | MSM 50-6509 |
| 2007 | David Cherwien | The Souls of the Righteous | SSAATTBB | MSM 50-6066 |
| 2009 | Dan Forrest | In Paradisum | SATB div | HMC2224 |
| 2011 | Zebulon Highben | Love is the Key | SATB div, a cappella | MSM-50-5215 |
| 2013 | Jake Runestad | Nada te Turbe | SSAATTBB, a cappella | JRMUSIC JRM0028 |
| 2015 | David Ashley White | Spirit, Moving Over Chaos | SATB, oboe, percussion, opt handbells | Selah 405-633 |
| 2017 | Erik Meyer | St John Passion | SATB, soloists, organ, opt cong | Musicspoke.com |
| 2019 | Timothy Shaw | Jesus, Refuge of the Weary | SATB, piano | Beckenhorst BP2098 |

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| 2021 | Jacob B. Weber | Festival Gloria | SATB, organ, brass quartet | CPH 977884 |

PIECES COMMISSIONED BY [LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL ASSN OF MILWAUKEE](#), WHEN WILLIAM RAABE WAS BOARD CHAIR, AS ARRANGEMENTS OF THE SCHOOLS' OFFICIAL HYMN, SCHALK/GRINDAL, "HOW GOOD IT IS TO PRAISE THE LORD"

| Composer | Requires |
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| John Behnke | SATB, cong, organ |
| Jonathan Kohrs | SATB, cong, organ |
| Kenneth Kosche | Unison or two-part choir, cong, keyboard, c instr |

PIECES COMPOSED AS A GIFT TO BILL AND NANCY RAABE

| Date | Composer | Title | Requires | Notes |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| 1994 | Emily Maxson Porter | I Sing the Birth | Organ, baritone | Christmas, text by Ben Jonson |
| 1996 | Emily Maxson Porter | A Child My Choice | Organ, horn, baritone | Christmas, text by Robert Southwell |
| 1999 | Emily Maxson Porter | Jesus I Will Ponder Now | Organ | Calfaria 99-103 |
| 2010 | Thomas Keesecker | As Rain From the Clouds | SATB, piano, flute, rainstick, opt childrens choir | Augsburg 978-14514-0160-8 |
| 2011 | Kevin Hildebrand | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | SATB, cong, trumpets, timpani, opt violin, opt cello | CPH 984088, 97-7427 Opt V2 is homage to cantata BWV 137 |
| 2014 | Linda C Kempke | Christ, Be Our Light | 2-part choir, cong, piano, opt handbells, flute | Concordia Chicago Kapelle touring piece 2018 |