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St. Paul
Part I

1. Overture .................................................. Orchestra

2. Lord, Thou Alone Art God ......................... Chorus

Lord, Thou alone art God, and Thine are the heavens, the earth, the mighty waters. The heathen furiously rage, Lord, against Thee and Thy Christ. Now behold, lest our foes prevail, and grant to thy servants all strength and joyfulness, that they may praise Thy work.

3. To God On High ............................................. Choral

To God on high be thanks and praise, who deigns our bonds to sever, His cares our drooping souls upraise, and harm shall reach us never. On Him we rest, with faith assured, of all the mighty Lord, Forever and forever.

4. And The Many That Believed ......................... Narrative

And the many that believed were of one heart and of one soul, And Stephen, full of faith and full of power, did great wonders among the people. And they of the Synagogue were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake. Then they suborned men who were false witnesses, which said, "We verily have heard him blaspheme against these holy places and against the law, ourselves have heard him speak." And they stirred up the people and the elders, and came upon him, and caught hold of him, and brought him to the council, and spake:

5. Now This Man Ceaseth Not ................................. Chorus

"Now this man ceaseth not to utter blasphemous words against the law of Moses, and also against this holy temple, and against me. For we are not chargeable with any riotous ness, or excess in this joyful feast. But ye have filled Jerusalem with your unlawful doctrine. He hath said, and our ears have heard him: Jesus of Nazareth, He shall destroy all these our holy places and change all the customs which Moses delivered us."

6. And All That Sat In The Council ................. Recitative and Chorus

And all that sat in the council looked steadfastly on him, and saw his face as it had been the face of an angel. Then said the High Priest, "Are these things so?" and Stephen said, "Men, brethren, and fathers, hear ye me. The God of glory appeared unto our fathers, delivered the people out of their afflictions, and gave them favour. But they understood it not, He sent Moses into Egypt for He saw their afflictions, and heard their groaning. But they refused him, and would not obey his word, but thrust him from them, and sacrificed to senseless idols. Solomon built him an house alibit the Most High God dwelleth not in temples which are made with hands, for heaven is His throne, and earth is but His footstool. Hath not His hand made all these things? Ye hard of heart, ye always resist the Holy Ghost. As did your fathers, even so do ye. Which of the Prophets have not your fathers persecuted? And they have slain them which spake before the coming of Him, the Just One, whose murder ye have here been stained. Ye have received the Law, received it by the disposition of angels, and ye have not obeyed it!"

"Take him away! For now the holy Name of God he hath blasphemed, and who blasphemeth Him, he shall perish."

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7. Jerusalem, Thou That Killest The Prophets ............ Air

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"Is this he who in Jerusalem destroyed all them calling on that Name which he here preacheth? May all deceivers ever be confounded! Force him away! Hence, away!"

O Thou, The True And Only Light ........... Narrative
O Thou, the true and only Light, direct the souls that walk in night: And bring them near Thy sheltering care, to find their blest redemption there. Illuminate those who blindly roam; and call the wanderer kindly home. The hearts astray that union crave, and those in doubt, confirm and save.

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33. The Gods Themselves ...................... Chorus
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And they laid wait for Paul, and consulted together that they might kill him, and spake one to another:

29. Is This He? ........................................ Chorus
"Is this he who in Jerusalem destroyed all them calling on that Name which he here preaches? May all deceivers ever be confounded! For him away! Hence, away!"

O Thou, The True And Only Light ................ Narrative
O Thou, the true and only Light, direct the souls that walk in night; And bring them near Thy sheltering care; to find their blessed redemption there. Illumine those who blindly roam; and call the wanderer kindly home. The hearts astray that union crave, and those in doubt, confirm and save.

30. But Paul And Barnabas Spake Freely .......... Narrative
But Paul and Barnabas spake freely unto the people. "Ye were the first to have the word of the Lord set before you; but seeing that ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of the life everlasting, behold ye, we turn even now unto the Gentiles."

31. For So Hath The Lord ............................ Narrative
"For so hath the Lord himself commanded, ‘Behold, I have made thee a light to the Gentiles, and for salvation unto all the earth, for those that call on the Lord, He will hear them, and they shall be blessed.’"

32. And There Was A Man At Lystra ................ Narrative
And there was a man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, and who had never walked, and the same heard Paul speak; who steadfastly beholding him, said with a loud voice, “Stand upright upon thy feet.” And he leaped up and walked and praised God. But when the Gentiles saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying to one another:

33. The Gods Themselves ............................. Chorus
“The gods themselves have descended! Behold them here! Let us all adore them!”

34. And They Called Barnabas, Jupiter ............. Recitative
And they called Barnabas, Jupiter, and Paul, Mercury. Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gods, and would have sacrificed with the people, and adored them.

35. O Be Gracious, Ye Immortals .................. Chorus
O be gracious, ye immortals! Hail! Our sacrifice with favour.

36. Now When The Apostles ........................ Recitative
Now when the Apostles heard the same, they rent their garments, and ran in among the people, crying out, and saying, "O wherefore do ye these things? We also are men; of like passions with yourselves, who preach unto you, in peace and earnestness, that ye should turn away from all these vanities unto the ever living God, who made the outrusted heavens, the earth, and the sea. As saith the prophet, 'All your idols are but falsehood, and there is no breath in them; they are vanity, and the work of errors; in the time of their trouble they shall perish.' God dwelleth not in temples made with hands."

Part III

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Then the multitude was stirred up against them and there was an assault of the Jews and of the Gentiles; they were full of anger, and cried out against them:

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“This is Jehovah's temple, this is the Lord Jehovah's temple. Ye children of Israel, help us! This is the man who teacheth all men against the people, against this place, and also our holy law. We have heard him speak against the law, against the people, and also these our holy places. Stone him to death! He blasphemeth God.”

39. And They Persecuted Paul

And they all persecuted Paul on his way; but the Lord stood with him, and strengthened him, that by him the Word might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear.

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And Paul sent and called the elders of the Church at Ephesus, and said to them, “Ye know how at all seasons I have been with you, serving the Lord with all humility, and with much labor, teaching the Word of our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold ye, I am bound in spirit; go my way to Jerusalem. Bonds and affliction abide me there, and ye shall see my face no more.” And they all wept sore, and prayed:

42. Far Be It From Thy Path

“Far be it from thy path, these things shall not be unto thee.” “What mean ye thus to weep, and thus to break my heart? For I am prepared not only to be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem, for the Name of the Lord our Saviour Jesus Christ.” And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all. And they accompanied him unto the ship, and saw his face no more.

43. See What Love

See what love hath the Father bestowed on us in His goodness, that we should be called God's own children.

44. And Though He Be Offered

And though he be offered upon the sacrifice of our faith, yet he hath fought a good fight; he hath finished his course; he hath kept well the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give him at the last great day.

45. Not Only Unto Him

Not only unto him, but to all them that love truly His appearing. The Lord careth for us, and blesseth us. The Lord saveth us, and blesseth us. Bless thou the Lord, O my soul, and all within me bless His most holy Name, bless thou and praise His most holy Name evermore. Praise His Name forever, praise His holy Name forever. All ye His angels, bless ye the Lord. Praise ye His Name, all ye His angels.
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Frances George Jones brings to the position of Associate Conductor the experience of 25 years in the choral and instrumental fields. A native of Seattle, Ms. Jones is a graduate of the University of Washington, where she studied voice with Edison Harris. After being a church soloist for 17 years, she turned to choral directing, serving churches in the Redmond and Seattle areas. She is currently Minister of Music at Queen Anne Baptist Church, and maintains a private voice studio. Further choral and conducting studies were undertaken with Robert Shaw, Roger Wagner, and more recently, Helmuth Rilling. A charter member of the Seattle Chorale and the Leonard Moore Chorale, Ms. Jones went on to found the Seattle Mastersingers, a chamber choir which toured the Northwest for Community Concerts, Inc. She and her husband, Raymond, also formed the Singers' Company, which specialized in Gilbert and Sullivan operettas. Ms. Jones has performed with the Seattle Opera Company, and has been a soloist for the Seattle Chorale and the Choir of the Sound.

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George Shangrow, Conductor.

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The Broadway Symphony/Seattle Chamber Singers

The collaboration of the Broadway Symphony and the Seattle Chamber Singers has become a respected and unique musical force in the Pacific Northwest. The company is one of volunteer artists, dedicated to exciting and polished performances and with goals to bring the BS/SCS to professional status. Each ensemble rehearses weekly at the University Unitarian Church, where they have the privilege of residency, and develop their skills and repertoire under the direction of conductor George Shangrow. Membership in BS/SCS is by audition; general auditions are held for vacant positions during the months of August and September each year.

The Broadway Symphony/Seattle Chamber Singers offer a 6 to 7 concert season annually. Oratorios and symphonic works are the backbone of programming and the highlights are our regular presentation of local artists; both composers and soloists.

During the entire calendar year of 1985, the Broadway Symphony/Seattle Chamber Singers will celebrate the 300th birthday of Johann Sebastian Bach. A total of 35 concerts featuring the great composer’s music are scheduled, ranging from intimate solo sonata recitals to a complete performance of the “St. Matthew Passion” in the Opera House (April 21, 1985).

The BS/SCS takes pride in their organization; in its growth thus far and its tremendous potential for the future. It is our sincere hope that we give to our audiences the same measure of joy from the music we do as we get from rehearsing and performing it.

George Shangrow, Conductor.

George Shangrow has a musical career that takes several strong directions: he is the conductor and musical director for the Seattle Chamber Singers and the Broadway Symphony, he is in his 14th year as Director of Music at University Unitarian Church, he has taught music appreciation and chorus at both the community college and the university level, and he is an accomplished keyboardist. To his credit as a professional conductor are guest appearances with the Northwest Chamber Orchestra, Seattle Symphony Players Organization and Seattle Philharmonic. George Shangrow is a frequent guest lecturer for Women’s University Club and Classical Music Supporters, Inc., and has been an adjudicator for several choral and instrumental competitions in the Pacific Northwest. He is an active member of ACDA and is pleased to have had Seattle Chamber Singers chosen to perform at the 1982 and 1984 regional conventions.

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