

Chordiality

17 May 2025 at Christ Church, St Lucia

Soprano
Alison Goode
Bev Sandaver
Cathy Staines
Christine Zupanc
Fiona Laing
Helen Creese
Karen Laing
Kris Fraser
Liz Bateman
Lynn Haug
Margaret Berry
Megan Sandaver
Rosie Gall

Alto
Claire Cooper
Elaine Pitt
Freddie Lester
Irene Raymond

Alto cont.
Janelle Gatz
Jenny Krassnig
Jill Laing
Jo Scott
Judy Somes
Kate Power
Linda Cartmill
Lynn Kelly
Margaret Tiller
Mary Busteed
Mary Lou Yeo
Meredith Smith
Nicola Ellis
Robyn Carl
Rose McGee
Ruth Hamlyn-Harris
Sarah Coombe
Sue Goode

Tenor
Alison Jones
Ian Dove
Jim Walls
John Kelly
Mark Bell
Max Wheat
Philip Smith
Stuart Gough

Bass
Barry Stark
Denis Cook
Doug Hawtin
Howard Wiseman
Jack Wade
Neville Patterson
Richard Yeo
Rick Valenta
Ross Pitt

We hope today's performance has entertained and inspired you!



You are warmly invited to join us for our next concert
A Little Night Music – 25 October 2026
Featuring the premiere of a work specially commissioned
by *Chordiality* — *We Sing into the Night* by Dan Walker.

COME SING WITH US!

You are warmly invited to join a rehearsal for free to try us out.
We rehearse every Thursday night during school terms from 7:00pm to 9:30pm

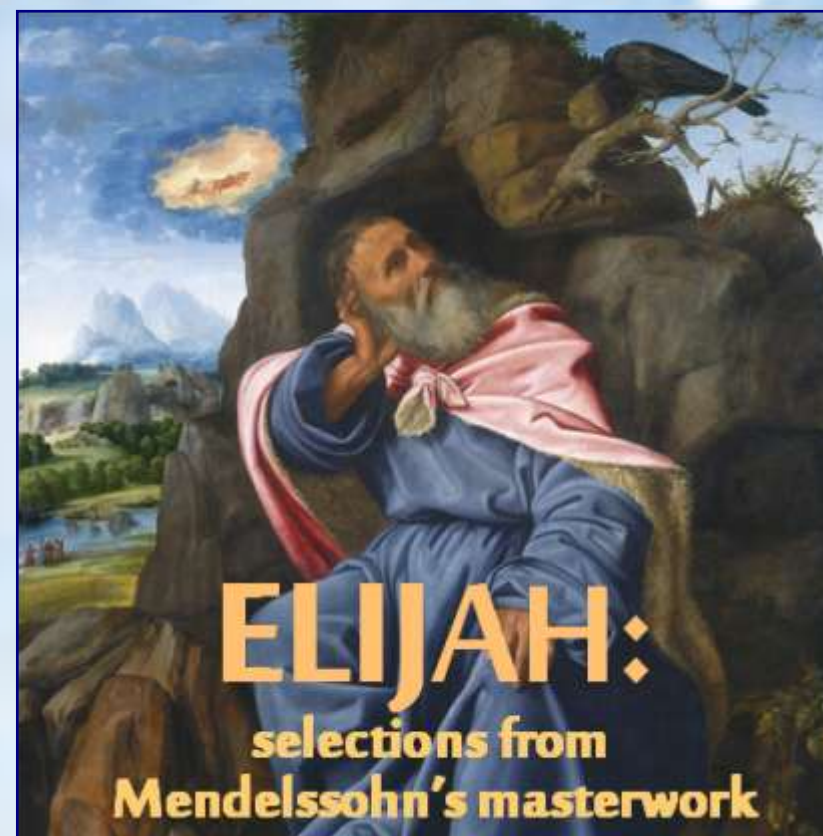
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Presents



Elijah Fed by the Raven by Giovanni Girolamo Savoldo, c.1510

Featuring **Simon Carl** as Elijah and
Tomasz Holownia as Obadiah/Ahab/Tenor Solo

WELCOME

Chordiality is a community choir of about 60 members that started in February 2008. We are based in Indooroopilly and our membership is Brisbane-wide. Chordiality's goals are to pursue choral excellence and to have fun singing together.

We are delighted to welcome guest soloists Simon Carl and Tomasz Hołownia for today's performance of selected movements from Mendelssohn's *Elijah*. Mendelssohn's dramatic oratorio brings Elijah's Old Testament story to life with striking musical colour — from scenes of drought and confrontation to moments of deep reflection and his final, fiery ascent to heaven.

Our music director, **Brett Sturdy**, is a pianist, conductor, organist, occasional composer and arranger, who also serves as Organist and Director of Music at St Mary's, Kangaroo Point, sessional staff member at Queensland Conservatorium, Griffith University, and regular guest with the Queensland Symphony Orchestra, and Pianist at the Queensland Ballet.

Our accompanist and baritone soloist, **Simon Carl**, is an accomplished pianist who has been the principal accompanist for Chordiality since its inception. He completed a Bachelor of Music at the University of Queensland, graduating with First Class Honours in Voice. He is a frequent accompanist, répétiteur, collaborator and soloist, and is highly regarded for his musicality and versatility.

Our guest tenor soloist, **Tomasz Holownia**, is an Honours graduate of the Queensland Conservatorium of Music, and worked in professional choirs in the UK before returning to Australia. A published composer with Wirripang, Tomasz continues to have many of his choral works performed by various Australian ensembles. Tomasz is a Software Engineer by day and a singer, composer, organist and conductor of One Equal Music by night.

For more information about today's concert, please scan this QR code to read our **Programme Notes** or use this link:

<https://chordiality.org/mendelssohns-elijah/>



Chordiality acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land on which we perform today, the Turrbal and Yuggera peoples, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME

Elijah Op. 70, MWV A 25 - selected movements

Felix Mendelssohn

Part 1

Introduction—As God the Lord

Simon Carl

1. Help, Lord

3. Ye people, rend your hearts

Tomasz Holownia

4. If with all your hearts

Tomasz Holownia

5. Yet doth the Lord

9. Blessed are the men who fear Him

11. Baal, we cry to thee

14. Draw near, all ye people

Simon Carl

15. Cast thy burden upon the Lord

20. Thanks be to God

Interval

Part 2

22. Be not afraid

24. Woe to him!

25. Man of God

Simon Carl & Tomasz Holownia

26. It is enough

Simon Carl

27. See, now he sleepeth

Tomasz Holownia

29. He, watching over Israel

32. He that shall endure

34. Behold, God the Lord

37. For the mountains shall depart

Simon Carl

38. Then did Elijah

39. Then shall the righteous shine forth

Tomasz Holownia

41. But the Lord from the north

43. And then shall your light break forth