

Georgetown Choral Society breaking new ground

The Georgetown Choral Society is breaking new ground with its Choral meets Bluegrass concert.

The hometown bluegrass band will have your toes tapping when they perform bluegrass pieces or accompany the choir as they sing beautiful ballads from Canada's East Coast.

It is interesting to note that bluegrass music as it evolved in the U.S., and in

Eastern Canada, has the same Celtic roots.

A special feature of the concert is The World Beloved - A Bluegrass Mass.

This innovative composition combines the sacred, classical choral tradition with the down home sound of banjo, mandolin, fiddle,



guitar and bass.

To quote composer Carol Barnett: "To bring the solemnity of the classical choir-based mass together with the down home sparkle of bluegrass was a difficult assignment. My highest hope is that listeners coming from one tradi-

tion - classical or bluegrass - and perhaps dubious about the other, might discover something new and wonderful in the combination, as I have."

According to reviews of other performances of this work, "Barnett manages to honour both the classical choral tradition and the improvisatory impulse of bluegrass music in her contemporary rendition of the

mass."

Come and enjoy this exciting music on Saturday, May 3, 8 p.m., at the Christian Reformed Church, 11611 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown.

Tickets are \$20 (\$25 at the door).

For more details on special prices for families and groups, and where to obtain tickets, visit the web site: www.georgetownchoral.ca.



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