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March 5, 2012

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.— The Gardner-Webb University School of Performing and Visual Arts is pleased to present the GWU concert choir, chorale and handbell ensemble together in concert on Thursday, March 8 at 8 p.m. in Dover Theater. The community is encouraged to attend.

The handbell choir will perform a hymn arrangement, a lullaby, a latin jazz tune, and a lively arrangement originally scored for a string orchestra. They will be accompanied by Gardner-Webb student violinist James Withrow and several student percussionists.

The chorale, Gardner-Webb's non-auditioned choir, will perform several sacred anthems as well as the big-band favorite, "Moonglow." The concert choir will sing a variety of classical, romantic, Renaissance pieces, spirituals, and contemporary arrangements.

The concert will feature a performance of an original composition by Gardner-Webb student Roger Lowe, called "Bless His Holy Name." The piece incorporates new music along with movements of the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy."

The concert choir will also perform an Easter anthem commissioned this year by the BBC to unite choirs across England in a moment of national harmony. "Though we are not in England, we are excited to join them in this premiere," said director Dr. Paul Etter.

Additional information is available on this concert and other fine arts events by calling 704-406-4448.

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