

2026 CHORAL WORKSHOP

BATH BACH CHOIR

Die Himmel erzählen die Ehre Gottes

Bach Cantata BWV 76

Extracts from

Jesu, meine Freude

Bach Motet BWV 227

Workshop director:

Benedict Collins Rice




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REDUCED RATE
OF **£10** FOR
YOUNG
MUSICIANS

Join Bath Bach Choir for the third instalment of our acclaimed Bach Cantata Cycle

This year's spotlight is on *Die Himmel erzählen die Ehre Gottes* – the very first cantata Bach presented in the Thomaskirche. From its trumpet-blazoned opening to the intimate colours of oboe d'amore and viola da gamba, the work sweeps through a sumptuous kaleidoscope of musical forms, clearly crafted to astonish its original congregation – and still dazzling today. Alongside this, we'll explore much-loved movements from Bach's radiant motet *Jesu, meine Freude*: the dramatic *So aber Christus* and the defiant *Trotz dem alten Drachen*.

Leading the day is the choir's musical director, **Benedict Collins Rice**, joined by singers from the Oxford Bach Soloists and six baroque instrumentalists from Bristol Ensemble.

Bath Bach Choir's annual workshop is a winter highlight – a bright spark in February's greyness, filled with inspiring music-making, friendly faces, tea & coffee breaks and Di's legendary raffle.

All are welcome – whether you're a seasoned singer or simply eager to immerse yourself in Bach's world.

Saturday 7 February 2026

9.30 am – 4.30 pm

St Mary's Church, Bathwick BA2 4EB

TICKETS £25 | £10 for young musicians under 30
(including scores and tea/coffee)

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