TOCCATA to put on 'Passion according to St. Matthew'

Tahoe Symphony Orchestra and Chorus continues its Winter MusicFest with the 10th annual presentation of J. S. Bach's masterpiece "The Passion according to St. Matthew."

The first concert of the three concert series will take place March 29 at 4pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Reno, located at 501 California Ave.

The program will feature selections from "Part two of the Passion", and will be performed in English. Soloists include Michael Dewayne as the Evangelist, Stuart Duke as Jesus, John Rabben as Pontius Pilate, and Chris Nelson as Peter. Maria Arrigotti, Anna Helwing and Joy Strotz are the soprano soloists, with JulieAnn Miller, mezzo soprano soloist. Scott Deupree performs as the High Priest, with Susan Horst, MaryAnn Helman, Linda Mitchell as the false witnesses. David Brock will play harpsichord continuo, along with Nicholas Haines, cello. Maestro James Rawie will conduct all performances.

The St. Matthew Passion will be repeated April 1 at 7pm at St Theresa Catholic Church in South Lake Tahoe, 1041 Lyons Ave. The final concert will be April 3 at 7pm at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Incline Village, 341 Village Blvd.

Tickets are available at the door or online. General admission to all concerts is \$25 adults, \$20 seniors, \$5 students aged 19 to 23 with valid ID. Preferred seating is \$35 and \$15 for youth/students. Youth under 19 years of age are admitted free, in non-reserved seating, to most regular season concerts in 2015.