

# **Music Ministry Report** **Community United Methodist Church**

**February 23, 2015**

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## **Music Schedule**

The 2015 Guest Musician and Volunteer Ensemble schedule is complete and attached as listed below. Volunteer soloists will continue to be scheduled through out the year as they have time to prepare.

## **Carillon Bells**

Kyle Markwell has graciously volunteered to direct after Dottie Van Marter resigned due to health issues. Kevin Markwell will assist if needed. Rehearsals resumed February 18<sup>th</sup> and the ensemble will play for services again starting on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Suzanne Wills created a group email address for the ensemble which allows for a simpler communication process.

## **Youth Music Solos**

Youth members have been contacted to present music for Youth Sunday on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Sojourner's Class**

David Gaynes' documentary film, *Next Year Jerusalem*, which features several of my original compositions, was shown at the Sojourner's/Forum Winter Retreat on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

## **Community Singers**

The Community Singers continue to develop and are singing more complicated works at a high standard. There are now about 20 members participating in the choir.

## **Ash Wednesday**

The Ash Wednesday service featured the combined choirs of CUMC, Wesley UMC and the First Congregational UCC church. Professional violinist, Michele Lekas as well as soprano Mary Elliott also presented music. Music by: Bach, Ravel, Pärt, and Schramm. Joline Bastounes accompanied so I would be free to conduct the combined choirs.

## **Maundy Thursday**

Tenor Henry Pleas will present the Spiritual cycle *The Life of Christ* by Roland Hayes. The program will be followed by communion.

## **Good Friday**

Hosted at Wesley UMC, the combined choirs of CUMC, Wesley and the First Congregational UCC will present Faure's *Requiem* at the service.

## **Easter**

The 8:30 service will include music from the Grant Street Quartet (string quartet) which will also accompany the Community Singers for Randall Thompson's *Alleluia* and Handel's *Hallelujah Chorus*.

## **Piano Donation**

Clyde and Joan Ubele have discussed donating a Chickering grand piano to the church. Pastor Grace and I visited the Clyde and Joan on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **Administration**

After 8 months, the first phase of sorting through all of the loose choral music is almost complete. The next step is to organize the music in the file cabinets. Phase three is to create a data base.

A new issue that Jim McCloud and I spoke about briefly is finding a space or way to lock up the bells and chimes. As this equipment is worth thousands of dollars, I believe securing them is important.

Respectfully submitted,

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January

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11 Women's Ensemble 8:30

Coffee 18 Community Singers

25 Community Singers  
Liturgical Dance 11:00  
Women's Ensemble 11:00

February Tune Steinway and Baldwin R

1 Carolyn May Flute – 8:30 and 11:00 services  
Community Singers – Deep River

8 Women's Ensemble 8:30

Trnsfig 15 Community Singers

Ash W. 18 7:00 Ecumenical Service  
Community Singers, UCC and Wesley  
Mary Elliott, Soprano  
Michele Lekas, Violin

22 Community Singers  
Liturgical Dance 8:30  
Women's Ensemble 11:00

March Tune 5 Upright Pianos

1 Community Singers

8 Women's Ensemble 8:30  
Michele Lekas, Violin Mark Lekas Cello  
8:30 and 11:00 services

15 Community Singers  
Carillon Bells

22 Children's Choir 8:30  
Liturgical Dance 11:00  
Women's Ensemble 11:00

29 Community Singers

April Tune Organ

M. T. 2 Henry Pleas – 7:00 pm The Life of Christ

G. F. 3 7:00 Ecumenical Choir/ Community Singers  
Faure requiem

Saturday 4 Sean Les, Saxophone  
Easter 5 Community Singers  
Thompson: Alleluia  
Grant Street Quartet

12 Women's Ensemble 8:30  
Carillon Bells

19 Community Singers

26 Community Singers  
Liturgical Dance 8:30  
Women's Ensemble 11:00

May Tune Steinway and Baldwin R

3 Youth Sunday – Youth Music Solos

Mothers 10 Community Singers  
Liturgical Dance 8:30 & 11:00  
Women's Ensemble 8:30  
Mary Elliott, soprano

Saturday 16 Liturgical Dane 5:00  
Wisdom 17 Community Singers  
Carillon Bells

Pentecost 24 Community Singers

Memorial Day Women's Ensemble 11:00  
John Wesley – Warm Hearts

Confirm 31 Trio: Michele Lekas, violin; Mark Lekas,  
cello; Carolyn May, flute -w/ communion  
Lord's Prayer – Mary Elliott

June

7 Sharon Chang, Violin

14 Community Singers  
Carillon Bells

Fathers 21 Jonita Lattimore, soprano 8:30 and 11:00

28 Guest pianist

July

- 5 Volunteer ensemble
- 12 Jered Montgomery, Trumpet
- 19 Grant Street Quartet service and ½ concert
- 26 Volunteer Ensemble

August Tune Steinway and Baldwin R

- 2
- 9 Andrew Molina, Cello
- 16
- 23 Henry Pleas, Tenor
- 30 Guest Pianist/Organist

September Tune 5 upright pianos

- 6 CG
- Rally Day 13 Community Singers  
Trio – flute, violin, cello
- 20 Community Singers
- 27 Community Singers  
Women’s Ensemble 11:00

October

- 4 Jonita Lattimore 8:30 and 11:00 services
- 11 Roger Birkeland, Saxophone  
Women’s Ensemble 8:30  
Carillon Bells
- 18 Community Singers
- 25 Community Singers  
Women’s Ensemble 11:00

November Tune Steinway and Baldwin R

- 1 Goran Ivanovic, Guitar 8:30 and 11:00 service
- 8 Women’s Ensemble 8:30  
Carillon Bells
- 15 Community Singers
- 22 Community Singers  
Women’s Ensemble 11:00
- 29 Guest Pianist/Organist

December Tune Organ Tune Steinway

- 6 Jen Leckie, violin  
Women’s Ensemble 8:30
- 13 Community Singers  
Carillon Bells
- 20 Community Singers
- 24 Sharon Chang, violin  
Henry Pleas, tenor  
Andrew Molina, cello  
Community Singers  
Women’s ensemble  
OnCenter
- 27 Guest Pianist/Organist