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MUSIC

AT CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2022 - 2023

Calvary Episcopal Church's mission is to make God's love visible in downtown Memphis.

The Friends of Music ministry seeks to make it visible by enhancing the sacred music of Calvary's liturgies, while also opening the doors of Calvary to the larger community of the Mid-South for a variety of concert opportunities.



Dear Calvary parishioners & friends,

Friends of Music at Calvary is delighted to welcome you to Calvary for an inspirational **2022-2023 concert season**. The Calvary Friends of Music Committee – *Frank Anthony, chair; Kell Christie; Desi Franklin; Ray Hatton; Dave Rupke; and Alice Shands*, along with *Brian Campbell* and *Kristin Lensch* – has put together a list of performances highlighting a variety of talent from near and far. We continue to make our space safe and comfortable as we come back together for inspiring music and festive receptions. As a way to say “Hello Again,” we are hosting our first concert in reverse, with the reception **BEFORE** the concert.

Get ready for a diverse and inspiring lineup for the **2022-2023 program year**. We kickoff this year with *Entre Danzas y Paisajes*, in which Colombian musicians David Cordoba (piano) and Elizabeth Orsio (flute) will reflect on the many rich and diverse styles of Latin American music. We will also experience a Steuterman-Hardison concert featuring organist, Simon Johnson, Master of Music at Westminster Cathedral. In December, plan to attend a special centennial celebration of Handel's *Messiah* performed at Calvary. In spring we celebrate a unique concert of early music played by the Mockingbird Ensemble and a performance from The Choir of Clare College, Cambridge, England, one of the world's leading university choirs.

In addition, Calvary will provide monthly Evensong services beginning in September. The traditional Service of Lessons and Carols will be on Sunday, December 4th, and will include all your favorite Advent music sung by candle light.

Thanks to you, Friends of Music is well-positioned to present another season of excellent music offerings. Please join us by becoming a new or renewing Friend of Music. You may contribute by returning the enclosed donation envelope to the Calvary office, or by going online to calvarymemphis.org/friends-of-music. Please make checks to Calvary Episcopal Church, Memo Line: *Friends of Music*.

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Friends of Music is always in need of volunteers to assist us throughout the season, from serving as a greeter to helping with receptions and fundraising. There are many different ways to volunteer your time. If you would like to support Friends of Music by becoming a volunteer, please indicate on the enclosed form.

Thank you again for your continued support. We can't wait to welcome you back at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, September 16th, 2022. We look forward to seeing you at Calvary this season for more beautiful and uplifting music.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank Anthony".

FRANK ANTHONY
Chair
Friends of Music

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KLensch".

KRISTIN LENSCH
Organist + Choirmaster
Calvary Episcopal Church

CHORAL SERVICES

EVENSONG

Sundays in 2022-23

October 2

November 6

February 5

March 5

May 7

Join us for a traditional Anglican choral liturgy in Calvary's beautiful nave at twilight. "Choral Evensong is a 45-minute long peace-inducing church service in which the 'song' of voices sounding together in harmony is heard at the 'even' point between the active day and restful night, allowing listeners time for restful contemplation—church members, agnostics and atheists alike."

(from choralevensong.org)



A Service of Advent Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 4,
5:00 p.m.

Join us for a traditional candlelight service of scripture and song featuring the Calvary choirs, and prepare your heart for the birth of Christ.



CONCERTS

Entre Danzas y Paisajes (*Within Dances and Landscapes*)

Friday, September 16, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

After a season opening reception beginning at 6:30 p.m., join pianist **David Córdoba** and flautist **Elizabeth Osorio** for an evening of music from Latin America. Born in Medellin (Colombia), David has performed at different venues in Latin America and The United States. His interest in Latin American contemporary music has led him to premiere chamber music works in various festivals in Chili and Colombia. Recently, he was invited to open the 2021 season of the Memphis Symphony Orchestra playing the Beethoven Concerto No. 2 for Piano and Orchestra, under the baton of Robert Moody. Joining David is Colombian flautist, Elizabeth Osorio, who has recently performed in Paris and New York City.



Steuterman-Hardison Organ Recital: Simon Johnson

Friday, October 21, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

Simon Johnson is one of the most versatile musicians of his generation, successfully combining life as a virtuoso organist with extensive work in choral direction, composition and arrangement. In September 2021 he became Master of Music at Westminster Cathedral, responsible for its world-famous choir. For 13 years he was the Organist and Assistant Director of Music at St Paul's Cathedral, and was involved in all the national occasions that took place there. A festive reception follows in the Great Hall, sponsored by the Monypeny and Hardison families.

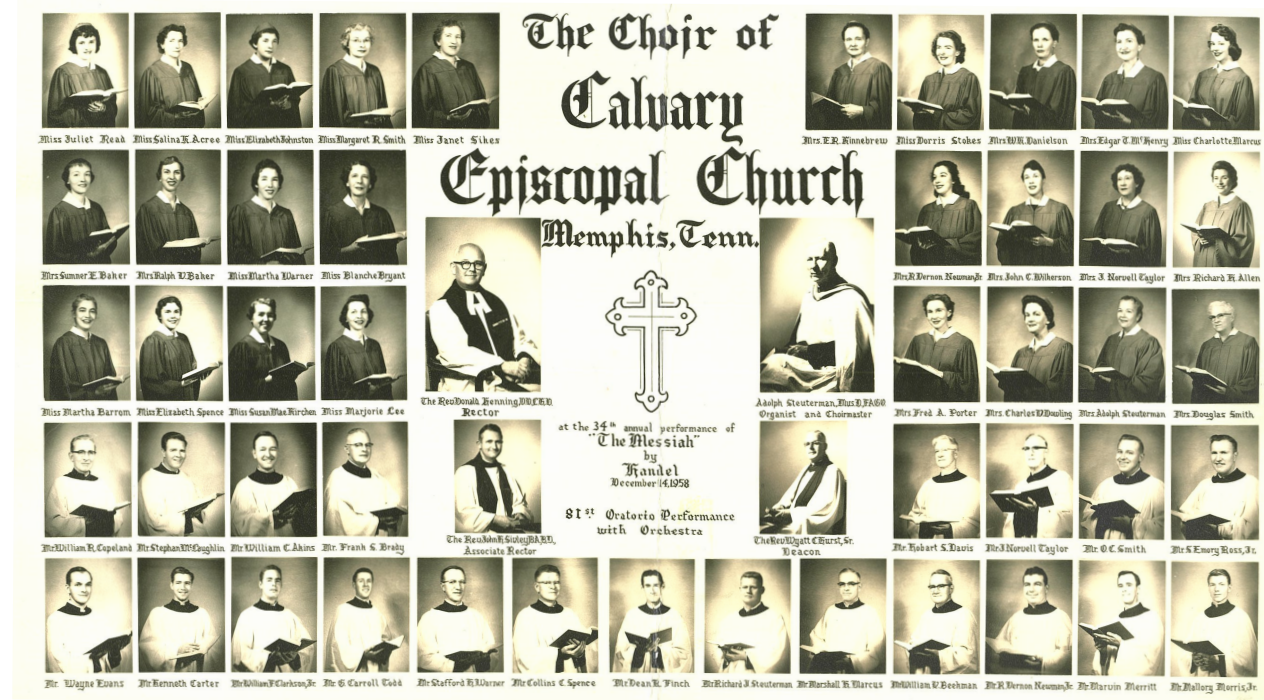


A Centennial Celebration: Handel's *Messiah* Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 7:30 p.m.



One hundred years ago, in December, 1922, Calvary's Organist-Choirmaster Adolph Steuterman presented Handel's *Messiah* in its entirety for the first time in Memphis since the late 1800s. Reportedly, 800 people attended, overflowing out into Second Street, and hundreds more were turned away. A local radio station broadcasted it live. Since then, *Messiah* has been performed at Calvary more than eighty times by Steuterman and his successors John Hooker, David Kienzle, John Wright, Thomas Pavlechko, and Sumner Jenkins. The Calvary Choir was often augmented with singers in the Memphis area, and they were always accompanied by orchestra.

In celebration of that tradition, Calvary is delighted to offer *Messiah* once again. The Calvary Choir will partner with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of Robert Moody. This free concert is generously offered to the community in loving memory of Bob Brown, sponsored by Richard Tanner. Priority reservations for this free event will be accepted from October 15th through November 7th at s.



Mockingbird Early Music Ensemble Friday, February 10, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

The Mockingbird Early Music Ensemble was formed in 2003, and is based in Oxford, Mississippi. The group is composed of enthusiastic proponents of the historically informed presentation of music created before 1750, played on recreations of original instruments which are found in museums throughout Europe. These include recorders, viole da gamba, harpsichord, and organ. Come early at 6:30 p.m. for a light reception before the concert.



Choir of Clare College, Cambridge Friday April 21, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Since the founding of a mixed voice choir in 1972, the Choir of Clare College has gained an international reputation as one of the world's leading university choirs. In addition to its primary function of leading services three times a week in the College chapel, the Choir keeps an active schedule recording, broadcasting, and performing. Former directors have included John Rutter and Timothy Brown. Under the direction of Graham Ross, Director of Music since 2010, it has been praised for its consistently 'thrilling' and 'outstanding' performances worldwide.

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