# Concerts and Musical Offerings



### Dear Church Family and Friends,

Because the worship of God's people is the first priority in our Mission Statement at Second Presbyterian Church, we hope to offer music that will not only enhance our worship, but also enrich our souls and lives in meaningful ways.

This year's season of music will begin with a unique opportunity to worship God and to remember an important moment in our nation's history. September 11, 2011, marks the 10th Anniversary of the tragic terrorist attacks on our country. We will commemorate this evening with a special memorial concert featuring Mozart's *Requiem*.

We will also release a new CD of music for our church and community. *Rejoice! Christmas at Second* will include all of our favorite Christmas carols and classics including choruses from Handel's *Messiah*. Don't miss the release of this exciting new CD in November! Finally, we will launch a new aspect of our ministry at Second: The Memphis Masterworks Chorus. In the frame of continuing our long and rich tradition of presenting great sacred masterworks, we will invite singers from the community, friends from our sister churches, and students from various schools to join us this year for our inaugural concert with Haydn's *The Creation*.

We hope you will be blessed by the concerts and worship services we offer. Pray for us as we aim to give God our best in all these endeavors, and mark your calendars so you won't miss a single event!

In Christ,



Dr. Gabriel C. Statom Director of Music

### Calendar at a Glance



Sunday, September 11, 2011 at 6 p.m. September 11 Tenth Anniversary Memorial Concert: Mozart's *Requiem* 

Sunday, October 9, 2011 at 12:15 p.m. Organ Demonstration

Sunday, October 30, 2011 at 6 p.m. Community Reformation Service

Sunday, November 6, 2011 at 4 p.m. Chapel Concert: Hymns, Spirituals and Folk Songs

Sunday, November 27, 2011 at 6 p.m. Hanging of the Green

Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 6 p.m. An English Christmas

Sunday, December 11, 2011 at 6 p.m. A Festival of Carols

Sunday, December 18, 2011 at 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 18, 2011 at 6 p.m. Advent Evensong: Celtic Carols

December 24, 2011 at 5:30, 8:00, & 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Services

Friday, February 10, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The Memphis Masterworks Chorale Haydn: *The Creation* 

Sunday, March 4, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. Children's Choirs Spring Concert

Sunday, March 11, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. Lenten Concert: Baroque Music for Organ and Orchestra Sunday, March 25, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. Lenten Concert: Handel's *Messiah*, Parts 2 and 3

Maundy Thursday, April 5, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion Service

Easter Sunday, April 8, 2012 at 8:00, 9:30, &11:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship Celebration

Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 6:15 p.m. Children's Choirs Spring Musical

Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 6:30 pm Annual Patriotic Pops Concert



### Musical Ensembles at Second



#### **Chancel Choir**

As the cornerstone of the Music Ministry at Second, the Chancel Choir's mission is to bring glory to Jesus Christ through music that reflects our faith through joyful worship and excellence. A non-auditioned group, the choir meets on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9 p.m. and sings each week at the 11 a.m. worship service.

#### Laudis Domini Ensemble

This auditioned, select ensemble specializes in singing the great sacred repertoire intended for smaller groups such as Renaissance and Baroque era music, British Cathedral music, motets and part music.

#### Handbell Choir

For those who enjoy playing handbells, we have a group that rehearses weekly on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. and plays throughout the church year. For more information, contact Terri Theil at (901) 454-0034, ext. 171.

#### Westminster Singers

This ensemble sings each week at the 8:15 a.m. service and its members are selected by the director from within the Chancel Choir. This choir also prepares music for special events and concerts.

#### Instrumental Ensembles

We strive to use a variety of instruments for our worship services and special events. We hope to offer our members who are gifted in playing an instrument an opportunity to use their talents. Instrumentalists should contact the music office to find ways to get involved.



### Children's Choirs

#### 6:15 - 7:30 p.m

September through November and January through May Our Wednesday night music program is geared for kids ages 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> through first grade. Your child will enjoy singing, movement, and story time. A snack, provided by parent volunteers, is also included. Junior Cherub, Senior Cherub, and first grade choirs sing for worship during the choir year as well as for the Hanging of the Green service. A joint children's and youth choir concert is given in the spring. All choirs meet in the PDS building.

#### Transition Choir:

for kids age 3 (\*\* must be 3 years old by April 30, 2011), D103

Jr. Cherub Choir: for kids that are 4 or currently enrolled in a pre-K program, D100

Sr. Cherub Choir: for kids currently enrolled in a Kindergarten program, D102

**1st Grade Choir:** for first graders, D103



#### SUNDAY EVENING CHOIRS

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

September through November and January through May Children in grades 2nd - 6th are invited to join us for choir in D109 from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. and dinner, provided by parent volunteers, from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m., in C100. This exciting program provides many artistic experiences from singing to drama. Both Sunday night choirs sing in worship throughout the choir year and perform a musical in the spring.

Music Makers: for second and third graders, D103

Spirit and Song: for fourth through sixth graders, D109

#### YOUTH CHOIR

The Second Presbyterian Church Youth Choir is for students grades 7-12 and meets on Wednesday evenings from 5:00-6:15 p.m. A light dinner is served and rehearsal follows, both in the choir room. Ginger Statom is the director and the youth choir sings various times throughout the year. In addition, they are a part of the annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols and the Hanging of the Green Services.



# Opportunities

#### Me & U

For kids ages 3 through those who have completed kindergarten. Your child will enjoy music, movement, and a story time while you join other moms for creative ideas and helpful hints on a wide variety of topics. Me & U meets Tuesday mornings in July.

#### Rhythm U Arts Camp

Geared for children that have completed the first grade through those entering the sixth grade. Join us as we explore the creative aspects of music, drama, and visual art. A program is presented on Friday for parents and friends. Rhythm U meets daily during the first week of August, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.



The Second Conservatory of Music provides quality music education in a Christian environment for all ages and abilities. The Conservatory is open to anyone who seeks to improve musical proficiency or enrich musical gifts. We are dedicated to providing quality music instruction by highly-qualified Christian teachers.

#### What We Offer

The Second Conservatory of Music offers individualized instruction on a per-semester basis. All lessons will be given at Second Presbyterian Church. For a list of offerings please visit us at 2pc.org/conservatory.

Fall Semester: series of 13 lessons beginning September 12

**Spring Semester:** series of 15 lessons beginning January 9, 2012

Registration available online





### 2011-2012 Concert Series



#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011 6 p.m. - Sanctuary September 11 Tenth Anniversary Memorial Concert

To commemorate this day, the Chancel Choir and Orchestra will be joined by the Briarcrest High School Choir and the Westminster Academy Choir to present Mozart's *Requiem*. The concert will also include a visual presentation accompanied by Samuel Barber's dramatic *Adagio for Strings*.

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2011 4 p.m. - Chapel

## Chapel Concert: Hymns, Spirituals and Folk Songs

The Laudis Domini Vocal Ensemble will present an afternoon of great hymns, folk songs, and spirituals. Music by Alice Parker, Moses Hogan, William Dawson, and more will highlight this spiritually moving afternoon of a cappella music.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2012 6:30 pm - Sanctuary Annual Patriotic Pops Concert



Join us for our annual Patriotic Pops Concert with the Second Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir with members of the Memphis Symphony Orchestra and guest bass soloist Jonathan Blanchard. This will

be another Patriotic Pops concert you will not want to miss. Selections will include *Ol' Man River, A Hymn to the Fallen* from the film Saving Private Ryan, and songs from the broadway musical Big River. Don't miss the fried chicken dinner at 5:30! You will need to purchase a ticket in advance for dinner, but there is no ticket needed for the concert. An offering will be taken.



#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2011 First Sunday in Advent 6 p.m. - Sanctuary

#### Hanging of the Green

Join our Children's and Youth Choirs as we bring in the holly and ivy to begin our Advent season. The service will conclude with activities for children, a live Nativity, and the decorating of the church campus.

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2011 Second Sunday in Advent 6 p.m. - Sanctuary

#### An English Christmas

The Westminster Singers and Chamber Orchestra will present an evening of traditional British music, similar to what you might hear at Westminster Abbey or York Minster Cathedral. Music will include carols arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams, Benjamin Britten, David Willcocks, and John Rutter.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2011 Third Sunday in Advent *6 p.m. - Sanctuary* 

#### A Festival of Carols

The annual Festival of Carols is a favorite for the Second Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir and Orchestra. This year will feature many of our seasonal favorites along with Mendelssohn's stunning *There Shall A Star Come Out of Jacob* and *This Christmastide*. Carols will include *O Come, All Ye Faithful, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, Joy to the World* and many other favorites!

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2011 Fourth Sunday in Advent 8:15 and 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols The traditional Nine Lessons and Carols service will include readings from the Holy Scriptures and carols from all over the world. The congregation will join with the Chancel, Youth and Handbell Choirs to sing carols from France, England, Germany, and United States.

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2011 6 p.m. - Sanctuary

Advent Evensong: Celtic Carols As we settle into the reflective worship surrounding the Christmas season, our Advent Evensong will feature the Celtic band, Planet Reel, led by Memphis Symphony Concertmaster, Susanna Gilmore-Perry. Ancient carols, liturgy, and seasonal ambience will add to the joy of this worship experience. DECEMBER 24, 2011 5:30, 8:00, and 11:00 p.m.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE

The Chancel Choir and string orchestra will present Morton Lauridsen's *O Magnum Mysterium* and John Rutter's *Away in a Manger* and *Christmas Night* as part of our candlelight communion service. The 11:00 p.m. service will feature harpist Marian Shaffer, violinist Long Long Kang, and organist Lenora Morrow playing Henri Büsser's stunning *Sleep of the Infant Jesus* along with Terri Theil singing *O Holy Night*.

# EASTER at Second

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2012 4:00 p.m. - Sanctuary Lenten Concert: Baroque Music for Organ and Orchestra This concert will be an afternoon of music for reflection and will include organ concertos by great baroque composers George Frideric Handel and J.S. Bach played by our organist, Lenora Morrow and our chamber orchestra.

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2012 *4:00 p.m. - Sanctuary* 

Lenten Concert: Handel's Messiah, Parts 2 and 3

The Laudis Domini Vocal Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra will present some of the most intimate movements from Handel's beloved oratorio *Messiah*. This concert will set the tone for Lenten meditation and proclaim the biblical story leading to Easter through music. MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2012 6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Maundy Thursday Communion Service The Westminster Singers will present a cappella choral music for worship during this special candlelight communion service.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2012 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am - Sanctuary Easter Sunday Worship Celebration The Chancel Choir and Orchestra will present music to celebrate the high holy feast of the Church celebrating Christ's triumphant resurrection. Music will include Holst's *Te Deum*, Mack Wilberg's *He Is Risen*, and Jane Marshall's *My Eternal King*, as well as great congregational hymns *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* and *In Christ Alone*.

### Special Events

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2011 12:15 p.m. - Sanctuary

#### Organ Demonstration with Lenora Morrow

Have you ever wanted to learn more about our magnificent organ? You will have the opportunity to hear and learn about the diversity of this great instrument and view the pipes. The demonstration will begin in the chancel choir loft following the 11 a.m. service.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2011 6 p.m. - Sanctuary

#### **Community Reformation Service**

Second will again host this traditional Community Reformation Service with a dozen of our sister churches. Choirs from these churches will join in our choir loft with a brass orchestra to commemorate this significant day in the church's reformation. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2012 7:30 p.m. - Sanctuary

#### The Memphis Masterworks Chorale Haydn: The Creation

The inaugural concert of the Memphis Masterworks Chorale will be Haydn's dramatic oratorio *The Creation*. Guest soloists from the Memphis community will join the chorale to tell this amazing story. For more information please see the website at memphismasterworks.org.

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2012 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary Children's Choirs Spring Concert

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2012 Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Musical at 6:15 p.m. – Fellowship Hall Children's Choirs Spring Musical

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### Coming Soon...

#### **Rejoice!** Christmas at Second

Our Christmas CD will include a variety of music from concerts at Second. You will enjoy classics from Handel's *Messiah* and the great carols that everyone enjoys singing. Peaceful music with harp and strings, as well the triumphant sounds of the Chancel Choir and Orchestra, will be included on this disc. Titles include *Good Christian Men, Rejoicel, Infant Holy, Infant Lowly, O Holy Night, Gesu Bambino,* and *Joy to the World.* Classics include J.S. Bach's stunning chorale *Sleepers, Wake!*, movements from Vivaldi's *Gloria*, and Büsser's *Sleep of the Infant Jesus* for harp, violin, and organ.

The CD will be available in the Bookmark or online November 1st. We hope this CD will be a beautiful part of your Advent and Christmas worship as well as gifts for your friends and family.

### Introducing



Memphis Masterworks CHORALE

The Memphis Masterworks Chorale is committed to presenting sacred choral masterworks for the benefit of the Memphis community and those who have the desire to sing classic works of music.

Those interested in joining the MMC should apply on online at memphismasterworks.org and commit to nine weeks of rehearsals in early November, January, and early February. Those accepted will be notified by mail with a music score and rehearsal CD in mid-October. The Chorale's inaugural concert, Haydn's *The Creation*, will be February 10, 2012.



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