SPRING ORGAN CONCERT

featuring
SAMUEL METZGER

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2014 at HALF PAST SIX
in the SANCTUARY of SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ABOUT THE ARTIST

Samuel Metzger was born in Rochester, NY, but from an early age grew up in northern Arizona where his father was a missionary to the Navajo Indians. Early studies were at Northern Arizona State University in Flagstaff, where he was accepted into the Preparatory School of Music as a student of Dr. Marilyn Brandon. In high school he studied with Dr. Royce Johnson at the University of Arizona, Tucson.

Mr. Metzger began undergraduate studies in 1990 at Arizona State University where he was a student of Robert Clark. There he studied on a Regents Scholarship and at graduation was named “Most Outstanding Undergraduate in Performance.” In 1995 he was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship and began studies with Jon Laukvik at the Hochschule für Musik und Darstellende Kunst in Stuttgart, Germany. He was awarded a second Fulbright Scholarship and graduated with a degree of Künstleriches Aufbaustudium (KA) in 1997. He then went on to study with Marie-Claire Alain in St. Germain-en-Laye, France.

In January 2003, Mr. Metzger became Senior Organist at Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Services were broadcast on the Coral Ridge Hour, a TV program that was broadcast throughout the USA and internationally to 202 countries.

In the fall of 2009, Samuel joined the staff of New Presbyterian Church in Pompano Beach, FL as Senior Organist and Music Associate. Earlier this year, he joined the staff of Second Presbyterian Church as Organist and Music associate.

Mr. Metzger is heard regularly around the country in concert. He has recorded six CDs, including “Toccata,” “Majesty and Glory,” “Joy to the World,” and “Prayer and Meditation.” They are available in Second’s bookstore as well as the music office. More information may also be found at metzgermusic.com.
THE PROGRAM

Prelude and Fugue in D Major, BWV 532.................................................Johann Sebastian Bach

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 140...........................................Bach

Awake, calls the voice to us of
the watchmen high up in the tower;
awake, you city of Jerusalem.
Midnight the hour is named;
they call to us with bright voices;
where are you, wise virgins?
Indeed, the Bridegroom comes;
rise up and take your lamps, Alleluia!
Make yourselves ready for the wedding,
you must go to meet Him.

Allegro Maestoso..........................................................Johann Christian Heinrich Rinck
from “Flute Concert for Organ Solo, No. 8”

Two Hymn Encores for Organ.....................................................Frederick Swann
I. Meditation on “Amazing Grace”
II. Festival Toccata on “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Variations on a Theme by Paganini - A Study for the Pedals.........George Thalben-Ball

Nimrod from “Enigma Variations”..............................................Edward Elgar; arr. Harris

Toccata on “tu es petra” (Thou Art the Rock)..............................Henri Mulet
from “Ten Byzantine Sketches”

Upon this rock I will build my church;
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
Matthew 16:18
UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing and Fish Fry
Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. · Second Presbyterian Church

Join the church family of Second Presbyterian as we gather around the piano and organ to sing and to praise our Lord together through the great hymns of our faith. It will be just like in a small country church where participants in the congregation call out the number of a hymn for everyone to sing. Especially if you have never been to a hymn sing, we welcome you to join us in what will be a fun and blessed time together.

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and the hymn sing begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Patriotic Pops Concert
Thursday, July 3, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. · The Levitt Shell

Patriotic Pops is an annual concert featuring an evening of American music, performed on the eve of the Fourth of July by the Second Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir and Orchestra. This year’s concert will include audience sing-along of favorites like “The Star Spangled Banner,” “America, the Beautiful,” and “God Bless America,” as well as music from John Williams, Irving Berlin, and the Broadway musical, 1776.

Special guests include local favorites The Memphis Dawls, as well as a surprise local celebrity who will narrate a portion of Aaron Copland’s Lincoln Portrait. We will honor all active military and veterans as we present our “Armed Forces Salute,” and the evening will conclude with a performance of the 1812 Overture, complete with cannon fire and a fireworks show.

There will be a dinner for our seniors before the event; a shuttle will be provided to the Levitt Shell for those attending dinner.