Medina United Church of Christ, Congregational

Bicentennial
Worship Concert
Sunday, June 2
7:00-9:00 P.M.

"The Music of Faith"

Medina United Church of Christ, Congregational Bicentennial Celebration

The Music of the Church: An Evening of Worship and Learning

Welcome & Introduction

Choral Introit

Call to worship

Leader: Sing praises to God, sing praises;

People: sing praises to our Heavenly Ruler, sing praises.

Leader: For God is the Sovereign of all the earth;

People: sing praises with a psalm.

Hymn: WHEN IN OUR MUSIC GOD IS GLORIFIED,

and adoration leaves no room for pride,

it is as though the whole creation cried, Hallelujah!

How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound,

as worship moved us to a more profound Hallelujah!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!

And may God give us faith to sing always: Hallelujah! Amen.

Choral Selections: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

"Veni redemptor gentium"

"Gloria"

Hymn: O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL and ransom captive Israel

That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Hymn: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD, a bulwark never failing;

Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:

For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;

His craft and pow'r are great, and, armed with cruel hate,

On earth is not his equal.

Choral Selection: "Old Hundredth"

Hymn: Now THANK WE ALL OUR GOD with heart and hands and voices,

who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, to keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills of this world in the next.

Choral Selection: "O God our Help in Ages Past"

Hymn: LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING,

joy of heav'n to earth come down:

fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown: Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;

visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Spotlight on the Organ

Spotlight on Church Bells

** Intermission **

** WELCOME BACK! **

Choral Selections: "When Jesus Wept the Falling Tear"

"Babylon Has Fallen"

Medley of Hymns by Fanny Crosby

BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

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JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS, there a precious fountain; Free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calv'ry's mountain. In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever, Till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

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To God be the GLORY, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

Choral Selections: "Give Me Jesus"

"The Lord's Prayer"

Hymn: How Great Thou Art

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed; Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

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Hymn: LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH and let it begin with me

Let There Be Peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be

With God our Creator, children all are we

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Gathering Band Selection: "Here I Am, Lord"

Hymn: CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE, called to ministries of grace

We respond with deep commitment, fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,

Equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth,

Let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth.

Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, Blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

Band Selections: "Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone"

"I See the Lord"

Plenary Selection: "Shout to the Lord"

Choral Benediction

Postlude

Participating in Tonight's Concert

Jim Kiser: Music Director

Cathy Fafrak: Organ, Piano

Narrators

Ann Noel Sisler, Rob Cervenak

Choir

Cheri Ingraham, Pam Branscome, Alice Metzloff, Kellie Johns Elizabeth Mason, Cheryl Figure, Tracy Gabrielsen Whitney Bixler, Barb Rosen, Holly Hallman, Allayne Reese, Carolee Rafn Earle Olson, Carl Skorepa, Jerry Mason, Harry Buch Bob Smith, Pete Metzloff, Nick North

Bell Choir

Cheri Ingraham, Whitney Bixler, Maggie Bixler, Jimmy Cervenak Carleigh Johns, Katherine Johns, Nora Nolan, Leah J. Medley, Alice Metzloff Harry Buch, Ashley Bonsell, Valerie Cervenak, Carolee Rafn Elizabeth Mason, Mark Muranko, Cathy Fafrak

Gathering Band

Mary Ann Blosser, Valerie Cervenak, Ann Noel Sisler Mark Armstrong, Rob Cervenak, Harry Buch

PowerPoint Wrangler

Judy Daugherty

Sound Engineer

Matt Yates

Video & Live-streaming

Terry Rhodes