

Music Box

JANUARY 29, 2017

Adam Petrocelli, piano
Melinda Coffey Armstead, organ

CHAPEL CONCERTINO

- French Suite No. 4 in E Major, BWV 815....J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
Sarabande
- Sonata in C minor “Pathétique” Op. 13 No. 8.... Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1727)
II. Adagio
- Fantasia-Impromptu Op. 66.....F. Chopin (1810-1849)
- Prelude in A-flat Major Op. 28 No. 17.....F. Chopin
- Les Barricades Mystérieuses.....François Couperin (1668-1733)

Ever have a brilliant insight while you’re out walking, only to find, when you arrive home, that somebody came along and scooped you by publishing exactly what you had been thinking? Well it takes the wind right out of your sails, I can tell you that.

Here it is, in “his words”

Textual integrity and foreground deceptions: Chopin’s prelude in A-flat, Op. 28/17

... so begins a thesis for the degree of Master of Arts in Music, which examines “the connection between Chopin and Schenker and comprises an analysis of the work in accordance with Schenkerian theoretical premises. Tonal relationships between the sections reveal supposedly distant foreground modulations at middleground levels to be composings-out of a structural neighbor note and dividing dominant, both cunningly disguised through enharmonic foreground deceptions.”

(Enharmonic foreground deceptions and structural neighbor notes go hand-in-hand, as everybody knows, Mr. Hot Shot.)

Melinda Coffey Armstead



Painless and Economical

If you use the internet, why don't you have the weekly newsletter sent to you via email? It is fast, easy and saves the church money—here's what to do: Send an email to the office at citf@mbay.net and ask Sherry to put you in the list. You will receive it early every week! Please visit: churchintheforest.org

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Monday morning, January 23, 2017

Dear Friends,

With conflict intensifying in our national life, I am wondering—not about unity—but about community.

Community is where we learn to understand and love one another, even while disagreeing. Unity is an abstract goal. But community is not only achievable, it yields blessings every day.

In our old Portland, Oregon, neighborhood, we were a religiously and politically diverse street, with Mormons, Catholics, Jews, Muslims, Protestant Liberals and Evangelicals. But we were a community that shared ice cream socials, Christmas caroling and car pools. We exchanged restaurant and computer tips and admired each other's gardens and dogs (all Portland obsessions). When tragedy struck with serious illness or unexpected death, we grieved together and helped. We knew each other and could not caricature our neighbors' politics or religion.

Robert Putnam's now-classic book, "Bowling Alone," describes the deterioration of community in contemporary American life. (<http://bowlingalone.com/>) Putnam documents how neighbors don't know each other, we don't join Rotary, PTA or churches, and, as the title suggests, we aren't joining bowling leagues anymore.

I wonder if our national fever for conflict is because we are "bowling alone." We don't know how to live or talk with people who hold different understandings of life.

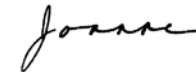
Want to resist this malaise and mend our fraying community fabric? Here are two immediate ways.

- Join me in prayer with other Christians at a beloved, annual ecumenical prayer service at St. Angela Merici Church in Pacific Grove, (9th & Lighthouse, 146 8th Street, Pacific Grove), next Sunday, January 29, 4 PM. My new pastor friends urged me to attend, and I want you to come, too. If you like to sing, you can

rehearse with the ecumenical choir preparing for this service on **Thursday, January 26, at 6:30 PM**, at St. Angela's.

- Consider joining a small group at our church. During February, we'll have a series of brief, organizational meetings to launch small groups that will gather in homes and restaurants for community, and spiritual topics. More information is coming, but plan on visiting one of these organizational meetings after church in February.

Unity is elusive but community is within our reach! We create community each Sunday morning; now let's deepen and extend that blessing.



The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pledge envelopes may be picked up at the back of the Church. Contact the office if you don't see yours.

The **March sign-up sheets** are on the bulletin board at church. **SAVE THE DATES:**

February 19, 2017, following church, the Annual Budget Meeting of the Congregation will be held.

February 28, 2017, 5:30, Shrove Tuesday Mardi Gras party.

Calendar

Sunday	January 29, 2017—Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
8:30 AM	Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room led by the Rev. Ken Feske Topic: Matthew 5: 1–11
9:15 AM	Chapel Concertino
9:30 AM	Morning Prayer
Passages	1 Chronicles 28: 2–9; Psalm 15; Matthew 5: 1–11
	Lector Lettie Bennett
	Crucifer Judy Fletcher
	Flowers Joe & Nancy Verska
	Cookies Leslie & Bob Mulford
	Ushers Chuck & Diane Elliott
	Altar Care Martha Jordan & Sandy Rice
Sermon	The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.
Title	"Finding Your Way to God: A Sermon Series for Epiphany" Sunday's Sermon: "The Way of Integrity"
	Tuesday, February 7, 2017 , the <i>Small Study Group</i> at the home of Gloria Bigelow , 3138 Bird Rock Road, PB, 10:15–11:30 am .