

Music Box

— JUNE 28, 2015 —

David Gordon, vocalist and guitarist
Melinda Coffey Armstead, organ & piano

Sail Away On Music David Wilcox
Love Comes Around David Wilcox
It Had To Be You..... Gus Kahn & Isham Jones
In My Life John Lennon & Paul McCartney
Give Yourself To Love Kate Wolf
Snow On the Water Joel Mabus
Carol Ann Michael Smith

While growing up in Pennsylvania, David Gordon naturally attended the annual John Deere Tractor Festival Parade. He took accordion lessons for cultural growth, and would have become good enough to perform in the parade when he was older had he not seen his teacher riding on a flatbed truck in the festival, playing with that peculiar dignity which is hard to equal on any other instrument. Perversely (you know how young men are), he turned his back on the accordion and never went back for another lesson. He settled instead for becoming a preeminent classical performing and recording vocal artist with a stellar reputation at the international level. In addition he has conducted meditative workshops which incorporate the healing power of sound, and he gives charming, intimate concerts in which he and his guitar softly interlace songs, poetry, and personal reflections, not devoid of a certain twisted sense of humor. I don't know if all this was his actual goal, but if it wasn't, then I suppose you may rightly consider him a failure. The *Boston Globe* described him as "stirringly poetic, singing with deep spirituality and glowing beauty." And the *Washington Post*: "a model of style and charm, and an irresistible performer." (That's as may be, but you and I know that somewhere there is an implacably disappointed accordion teacher, and I'm certainly glad I don't have to carry that kind of guilt around, not to get too editorial about it.) He is absolutely without peer in his ability to coach a singer at ANY level gently and with humor and make him or her better in a single session. Spooky. The *Carmel Bach Festival* would be seriously impoverished without his presence as Festival Dramaturge and Lecturer, following nine seasons as tenor soloist.

What a pleasure, what an immense pleasure, to have him with us.

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!

Church in the Forest
3152 Forest Lake Road, Pebble Beach
P.O. Box 1027, Pebble Beach, CA 93953

Address service requested

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
P A I D
Permit No. 28
Pebble Beach, CA
9 3 9 5 3

Church in the Forest

at Erdman Chapel, Stevenson School
3152 Forest Lake Road, Pebble Beach
P. O. Box 1027, Pebble Beach, CA 93953 • 831-624-1374
email: citf@mbay.net • www.churchintheforest.org

Monday morning, June 22, 2015

Dear Members and Friends,

Ever get angry?

Someone remarked the other day at our Rotary Meeting, “The world is going to hell in a hand basket and I’m mad!”

What does it take to make you angry? I see a lot of things that make me mad; when I see adults mistreat children or spouses abusing each other, when I see consciousness-altering drugs, legal or illegal, pushed or promoted. When I see TV evangelists malign the gospel with their narrow and divisive messages, when I see the results of terrorism, when I see our, or any, government bully little nations, it makes me angry. And I always have to check myself to see if my anger is really righteous indignation or just personal vindictiveness.

When the Apostle Paul wrote, “Be angry and sin not,” I get that! He was saying that anger itself is not necessarily sinful, and certainly Jesus got angry at some things. So I try to take my cues from him. As nearly as I

can tell, the guideline is that if your anger is just for your own sake, it may be less than righteous, but when it is for others, it may well be divinely right.

The Christian is called to be angry on the right grounds, against the right person in the right manner, in the right moment and for the right length of time. Sometimes to fail to express anger in this way is the real sin!

That balance should keep us on the right track!

See you in church,



William B. Rolland

Calendar

Sunday, June 28, 2015 — 5th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 AM Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room with the Rev. Ken Feske
Matthew 16: 13-22 “You’re Not in the Driver’s Seat”
9:15 AM Music Prelude
9:30 AM Morning Prayer
Passages II Samuel 1: 1,17-27; Psalm 130; Mark 5: 21-24; 35-43
Lector Dave Mackie
Crucifer Cynthia Perry
Acolyte Jacob McCarthy
Flowers Bill & Virginia Stevens
Cookies Victoria Carns
Altar Care Sandy and Bob Rice
Sermon the Rev. Ken Feske
Title: “Meeting God in the Turning Points of Life”
Sunday, July 5 — No Bible Study