

Music Box

— OCTOBER 25, 2015 —

Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

Prelude: Coming Home to Halloween

- Feels Like Home Randy Newman (b. 1943)
- Down A Country Lane Aaron Copland (1900-1990)
- Homecoming John Jarvis (b. 1954)
- Instead of Sheep Irving Berlin (1888-1989)
- Home, Sweet Home Sir Henry Bishop (1786-1855)
variations by J. Albert Snow, 1882
- Bless This House (1932) Helen Taylor/May H. Brahe
- Funeral March of a Marionette Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

We had a memorable trip to Japan, stopping in Hawaii for a restorative layover in both directions. On the return trip we stayed four days on Maui, and as we were driving around that beautiful island, next to a small creek we spotted a sign that said (I'm not making this up), "Dead cow in stream. No swimming." Sometimes you just know when it's time to head home.

In a recent "Baby Blues" comic strip, the parents and three overactive kids hear an announcement at the gate, "We now invite those flying with small children to reconsider." The family "sitting" near us from Hawaii to San Jose had the classic symptoms of not reconsidering, ever.

Next Sunday, November 1, we gain back the hour we lost earlier in the year. Those of you who never take me seriously will have the opportunity to meditate undisturbed for a full hour in this beautiful chapel before the service begins. Buy enough Halloween candy to have something to munch on.

Here is the serious part: It is WONDERFUL to be back home, to sleep in our very own bed, and to see all of your friendly, intelligent faces again. Bless this house. Bless this place. Bless us all.

Melinda May Armstead



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Monday morning, October 19, 2015

Dear Members and Friends,

The Church in the Forest was, on Sunday, “The Church in the Dark!” In fact, the entire school lost electric power; however, they functioned pretty well with the generator down in the kitchen, so that the students were fed.

The title of the sermon for last week was: “Come and See for Yourself!” Quite a timely title to describe the power outage! It is my custom on a Sunday morning to pop over to my office at school, plug my laptop into my desktop printer and print off the finished copy to take into the pulpit. Well, that didn’t happen, so I had to wing it without notes. Amazingly, I enjoyed the fifteen minutes of “off the cuff” style of delivery—relying on my memory for the points and structure of the sermon—so much so that I may have to skip the morning printing every Sunday, or at least do the printing on Friday or Saturday from here on out! There was even applause from the congregation after the sermon concluded! That was a first!

I have to confess I was delighted to see so many of you there in your pew. I had faith to believe that perhaps only the first two rows would be needed, but as it was, there were between sixty and seventy folks there!

I have heard from a number of members that they couldn’t get out of their garages to get to church, while at least one other dear member had just washed her hair and there was no way she could be seen in public with wet, streaky hair!

All of that to say: See you on Sunday and have a blessed week!



William B. Rolland

ANNOUNCEMENT: Within the next week or so you will be receiving your “Annual Estimate of Giving” letters from the Church Board.

Calendar

Sunday, October 25, 2015 — 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 AM Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room with the Rev. Ken Feske:
Seven Woes—Matthew 23: 13-39
9:15 AM **Music Prelude**
9:30 AM **Morning Prayer**
Passages Job 42: 1-6; Psalm 34: 1-8; Mark 10:46-52
Lector Bob Janzen
Crucifer Rae Janzen
Flowers Staff
Cookies Arlen & Cindy Lackey
Ushers Marilyn Gorman and ??
Altar Care Martha Jordan and Sandy Rice
Sermon the Rev. Ken Feske
Title “The Eyes of Experience”