

Music Box

— JANUARY 8, 2012 —

Katherine Edison, soprano
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

Of A Shepherd and a Lamb..... William Blake (1757-1827)

/John Byrdson

Die Könige (The Kings).....Peter Cornelius (1824-1874)

Schlafendes Jesuskind

(The Sleeping Baby Jesus)..... Eduard F. Mörike /Hugo Wolf

Epiphany

(Epiphany)..... Johann W. Von Goethe/Hugo Wolf (1860-1903)

Wiegenlied (Lullaby) Richard Strauss (1864-1949)

March of the Three KingsProvençal, 13th Century

Noel Bergers, voici la grotte bienheureux

HAPPY NEW YEAR

From resolutions I recover
In ample time to make another.
If I should die before I wake,
My cumulative list do take
And put it on my gravestone thus:
He tried his best, made lots of fuss,
But when he failed to concentrate,
His absent mind would fill his plate.

—RLA

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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Tuesday morning, January 3, 2012

Dear members and friends,

No one sums up the post Christmas mood better than W.H. Auden in his poem, *for the time being*.

“Well, so that is that. Now we must dismantle the tree,
Putting the decorations back into their cardboard boxes—
Some have gotten broken—and carrying them up to the attic.
The holly and the mistletoe must be taken down and burnt
And the children got ready for school. There are enough
Left-overs to do, warmed-up, for the rest of the week—
Not that we have much appetite, having drunk such a lot,
Stayed up so late, attempted—quite unsuccessfully—
To love all our relatives, and in general
Grossly overestimated our powers. Once again
As in previous years we have seen the actual Vision and failed
To do more than entertain it as an agreeable
Possibility, once again we have sent him away,
Begging though to remain his disobedient servant,
The promising child who cannot keep His word for long.
The Christmas Feast is already a fading memory,
And already the mind begins to be vaguely aware
Of an unpleasant whiff of apprehension at the thought
Of Lent and Good Friday which cannot, after all, now
Be very far off. But, for the time being here we all are,
Back in the moderate Aristotelian city
Of darning and the Eight-Fifteen, where Euclid’s geometry
And Newton’s mechanics would account for our experience,
And the kitchen table exists because I scrub it.
It seems to have shrunk during the holidays....”

The poem doesn’t end there and its conclusion is right on. But I’ll let you discover it for yourselves knowing that poetry isn’t everyone’s cup of tea! So let me conclude by wishing you all a Happy and Blessed New Year! Go with God.

See you in church



Charles C. Anker

Calendar

Sunday, January 8, 2012 —The Baptism of our Lord

8:30 AM Bible Study resumes with Charles Anker. Closing comments of the Letter of James and the introduction to the First Letter of Peter.

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages Deuteronomy 28:1-6; Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12; Mark 4:1-7

Lector Ken Harrison

Crucifer Lupita Harrison

Flowers Martha Rothrock

Cookies Victoria Carns and Carolyn Sanders

Altar Care Carolyn Sanders and Leonora Branca

Ushers Wally Jansma and Jack Davis

Sermon the Rev. Dr. William B. Rolland

Title Blessings in Disguise

Saturday January 7, 2012, 3:00 pm, Memorial Service for Rod Dresser

Sunday, January 8, 2012, 4:30 pm, Burning of the Greens at Bird Rock/ Fanshell Beach—weather permitting!

Pledge envelopes are available, for those who requested them, at the back of the church. If you want envelopes, but haven’t requested them, you may contact the church office. Also, please note that there are still some slots on the 2012 Flower Rota. The sign-up is on the bulletin board at the back of the church.