

Music Box

MARCH 24, 2013

ARIA - A Choir of the Monterey Peninsula Voices
Dr. Sean Boulware, conductor
Michelle Galindo, piano accompanist
Melinda Coffey Armstead, organ

- The Awakening Joseph M. Martin
- Still I Rise Rosephanye Powell
- Sing Me To Heaven Daniel E. Gawthrop
- City Called Heaven arr. Josephine Poelinitz
- Palm Sunday Robert J. Hughes

A warm welcome to **ARIA**, one of two choirs under the umbrella of the Monterey Peninsula Choral Society. The mixed-voice community choir is now called **Monterey Peninsula Voices**. Its sister choir, **ARIA**, is an auditioned women's choir that came into existence in January 2012. Both choirs are directed by Sean Boulware.

ARIA celebrates their anniversary by giving a concert of inspiring choral music for women's voices, "SHE SINGS!" on April 13 (8 PM) and April 14 (3 PM) at All Saints' Church in Carmel. A vibrant mix of many different styles of music, "SHE SINGS!" will include gospel, contemporary and heart-warming melodies that will please all generations.

Tickets are \$20 until April 6 and \$25 after April 6. Youth 18 and under: \$10. Tickets available online at Ariamonterey.org

P.S. Save the date: Sunday, April 7, at 3 PM for a concert of music by Ravel and Russian Romantics at CitF by New Yorker, Kirsten Kane, mezzo-soprano, and Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano.

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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Monday morning, March 18, 2013

Dear Members and Friends,

We are approaching what is known in the church as Palm or Passion Sunday, with Jesus going through a time of acknowledging that his path is going to be one of suffering. In some ways we, too, have the call, privilege and dread of the same. I have a dear friend who feels so much for those who suffer that it almost makes him physically sick.

The truth is that all people suffer to one degree or another and a second truth is that we are all called to share in suffering. Indeed, that's what Jesus was all about—taking on the suffering of the whole world.

Some time ago I recall a story circulated by Ann Landers that gave fresh meaning to this familiar biblical teaching, and I have seen it acted out on many occasions since and even recently here at Stevenson School.

Landers wrote about a fifth grade class where all the boys in the room were bald. It all began when a boy started his chemotherapy for cancer and due to the treatments had lost all his hair. Then the unexpected happened. One of the boys talked to other boys and they decided to all shave their heads. They, in fact, went as a group to the local barber and got the job done! Mr. Jones, their teacher, did the same thing, much to the distress of his wife who had never noticed before how large his ears were!


The student who led the head-shaving brigade put it this way: “The last thing he (the boy going through chemotherapy) would want is not to fit in. We wanted to make him feel better and not left out.”

Have you heard a better real-life story than that for illustrating the literal meaning of compassion, that is, “suffering with” another

person. These kids turned what had the potential of being a stigma into a badge of honor. Is this not what Christ did with the cross? And what followers of Christ have done from the earliest times emulating the suffering Savior.

Let's be open to the hurts and difficulties of those around us and bring them before the throne of grace asking God's blessing, healing and goodness to be theirs. You don't need to shave your head, just bring a friend who might need the uplift of God's Spirit.

See you in church,



William B. Rolland

ANNOUNCEMENT: Just a reminder that the deadline for ordering plaques for the Memorial Garden wall this year is the **Spring Breakfast, May 5**. For more information please contact: Sherry St. Clair at the church office, Bob Janzen or Carol Sullivan.

Calendar

Sunday, March 24, 2013 — Palm/Passion Sunday

8:30 AM Bible Study with the Rev. Charles Anker.

Topic: The Letter to the Hebrews. Hebrews 4: 1-10

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages Jeremiah 20:7-18; Psalm 105: 1-11; Matthew 16:21-28

Lector Theo Fowler

Crucifer Judy Fletcher

Flowers Edie and Lamont Wiltsee

Cookies Theo Fowler & Cookie Captain

Altar Care Martha Jordan

Ushers Marilyn Gorman and Trish Teel

Sermon The Rev. Charles Anker

Title Worlds in Collision

Sunday, March 24, 2013 — Corky Ryland Memorial Service, 1:30 pm

Thursday, March 28, 2013 — Maundy Thursday Service, 6:00 pm

Friday, March 29, 2013 — Good Friday Thursday Service, 6:00 pm

Sunday, March 31, 2013 — Easter Sunday, identical services, 9:30 & 11 am