

Music Box

— OCTOBER 7, 2012 —

Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano and organ

- Schmetterling (Butterfly) Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)
- Vöglein (Little Bird) E. Grieg
- The Spider at my Window Elliot Griffis (1893-1967)
- Variations on Three Blind Mice John Thompson

- Le Cygne (The Swan) Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

- Make Me a Channel of Your Peace..... St. Francis/Sebastian Temple
- Bless and Beasts and the Children B. DeVorzon & P. Botkin
- Feed the Birds Richard & Robert Sherman
- Le Rossignol en Amour (The Nightingale in Love) J. P. Rameau

- Le Rappel des Oiseaux
(The Call of the Birds) Jean-Philippe Rameau (1683-1764)

But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee;
And the fowls of the air, and they shall teach thee;
Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee;
And the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee.

—Job 12:7-8

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Monday morning, October 1, 2012

Dear Members and Friends,

Growing up on a dairy in Los Angeles County (then the largest dairying county in the USA) was fun. All kinds of salesmen, inspectors, etc., came along. We had some peddlers selling food and clothing and they tended to become friends after awhile. One of the favorites was a Jewish peddler named Daniel. Well, he came in for special respect because my dad (who preferred reading the Bible to milking cows) always told us that God had said, “He who blesses you (the Jew) I will bless and he who curses you I will curse” (Numbers 24:9 and Genesis 12:3). Dad tried to convince Daniel unsuccessfully that he should emigrate to Israel as that is where you wanted to be when the end of the world came which in dad’s mind was imminent.

Well, having grown up holding the Jew in honor, I was surprised when I went to college in the East (W&M) by some of the anti-Semitism expressed by some students. Coming in for special scorn was the NYC Jew who was considered by some Southerners as the epitome of vulgarity. I had been very lucky in getting a student job as a waiter at the King’s Arms Tavern—a copy of an 18th century tavern where the waiters were all college boys and dressed in wonderful 18th century costumes. (It was part of the Rockefeller Restoration of Williamsburg). Watched over by two very demanding women, food was wonderful and service very good. (Sadly when I went back a few years ago, it wasn’t anything like the restaurant it had been when I was there). And I loved waiting on those disliked New Yorkers because they were usually very friendly AND best of all tended to leave the largest tips. No faster way to a poor college student’s heart!

Later, when I had time to process earlier events in my life, I was very grateful to my dad that he had impressed us with the need to honor the Jew. No different from many other people and yet in some ways some can be quite different. But my dad’s teaching broadened out so show me that in heaven’s eyes we are all God’s children. For that I am grateful and for understanding that God’s love is not so narrow as our prejudices.

See you in church,



Charles C. Anker

ANNOUNCEMENTS: James Art passed away on September 17, and our prayers are with Maggie. Tootie Denahy passed away on September 22 and the family is planning a service of remembrance at **2:00 pm on November 3.** Hal Jordan, Ken White, Sam Griffith and Luana Wilsey continue to improve.

Calendar

Sunday, October 7, 2012

8:30 AM Bible Study with the Rev. Charles Anker.
Topic: Closing of the book of 1 Peter
Laws of the Christian Life 1 Peter 5: 6-14

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Holy Communion

Passages I Corinthians 11: 23--26; Psalm 8; John 5: 2-13

Lector Francie Blinks

Crucifer Skip Lord

Flowers Bob and Judy Fletcher

Cookies Judy Fletcher

Altar Care Shirley Temple and Andrea Thatcher

Ushers Howard Colehower and Jack Davis

Oblation Bearer Liz Lord

Prayers of the People Howard Colehower

Sermon The Rev. Dr. L. Lamont Wiltsee

Title “Blessing a Thankworthy Event”