Music Box

May 14, 2017

Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

CHAPEL CONCERTINO for Mother's Day

1. From Foreign Lands and People 2. Curious Story

4. Entreating Child

3. Catch Me

6. Important Event

5. Perfect Happiness

8. By the Fireside

7. Dreaming9. Knight of the Rocking Horse

10. Almost too Serious

11. Frightening

12. Child Falling Asleep

13. The Poet Speaks

Song Without Words Op. 67 No.3 .. Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847) Andante tranquillo

Fugue in C..... Dietrich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

"The most remarkable thing about my mother is that for thirty years she served the family nothing but leftovers. The original meal has never been found."

—Calvin Trillin

Say what you like about Mom, She had wisdom to spare, and was calm. Never guessing my plot, She still loved me a lot, When my rocket turned into a bomb.

-RLA

(Who kept his childhood rocket experiments secret—adults cannot resist asking pointless questions.)





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Monday morning, May 8, 2017

Dear Friends,

I just read the "must read" book of 2016 (a year late). In *Hillbilly Elegy,* Yale-trained lawyer J. D. Vance describes his childhood in "the holler," a poor, dysfunctional Appalachian culture of family brawls, booze and marriage break-ups.

Yet, despite J. D. Vance's bleak stories, you discover what ultimately saved his life and enabled his movement from chaos to achievement.

- His mother taught him football strategy, using dimes, pennies and nickels. She worked with him on school projects, sometimes doing too much of the work herself. But her passion taught J.D. an urgent lesson: education was important.
- His step-father introduced him to a fundamentalist form of Christian faith that, despite its limitations, gave him an earthly and a heavenly father at a desperate time he would need them.
- His grandmother gave him a steady home for his high school years, where he could complete his homework and feel her support.

This Sunday we celebrate Mother's Day. No human mother (or father) is perfect, but God can use us to transform and lift up the lives of our children and their friends. We'll explore the transformational power of parents—especially our mothers.

See you Sunday,

The Rev. Joanne Swenson, Th.D.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dr. Angela Kraft Cross, renowned international organist, will perform at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church on **Saturday**, **May 13**, **at 3** PM. Donation of \$20 requested; a wine and cheese reception will follow the concert.

May 21, we will receive new members! Let the office know of your interest or fill out a visitor card at church.

We are getting ready to order the next round of plaques for the *Memorial Garden*. Please contact **Sherry** at the church or **Bob Janzen**, 655-5113, or raejanzen@sbcglobal.net for details.

Small groups are gatherings where CitF members and new friends can explore questions of faith and deepen fellowship. These groups are open to visitors, who wish to find out more and experience a meeting:

The next BIG/SMALL Group meeting will be **Tuesday**, **May 16**, **5–6:30** PM, at **Sandy & Bob Rice's** house, 11 Windsor Rise, Monterey. We share our BIG questions about religion, combining learning with personal experiences, empathy, tears and laughter.

The next "Hands-on Service Group" meeting will be **Thursday**, **May 18, 10–11:30 AM**, at **Judie Higgins'** house, Del Mesa Carmel, # 149. We're reading, "Falling Upward," by Richard Rohr, and researching service opportunities in our area.

		Calendar
Sunday	May 14, 2017 — Fifth Sunday of Easter	
8:30 AM	Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room led by the Rev. Ken Feske	
	Topic: John 14: 1–14	
9:15 AM	Chapel Concertino	
9:30 AM	Morning Prayer	
Passages	Proverbs 31: 10–31; Psalm 8; John 14: 1–14	
	Lector	Lloyd Nattkemper Crucifer Rae Janzen
	Flowers	Jim and Sharon Chibidakis
	Cookies	Leslie Buck
	Ushers	Wim Van der Linden and ???
	Altar Care	Shirley Temple and Andrea Thatcher
Sermon	The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.	
Title	Sermon Series: "Life's Comings and Goings"	
	This Sunday	": "Going out with Mom-Power"
Tuesday, I	May 16, at 10:	15 am, Small Group Study led by the Rev. Ken Feske
at the hom	e of Gloria Bi	gelow, 3138 Bird Rock Road, PB; 10:15-11:30 am.
Topic: "Th	e Joy of Sprin	g"
Sunday, N	May 21 — Rec	ception of New Members. No Fellowship that day due
to Stevens	on Graduation	1

Friday, June 9, Celebration of Life for Joan Thompson, time TBD