Church in the Forest

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Monday morning, September 18, 2017

Dear Friends,

As we study the Psalms this season, we'll learn the "back story" of many of these Psalms, such as this Sunday's, Psalm Three. David is in a national crisis of betrayal and dethronement by his own son. Desperate, he sets in motion a network of collaborators and spies to assist him. And, he prays.

People often ask, "How does prayer work?" We'd like to see a neat chain of cause and effect. In truth, we can only see a confluence of supplies and demands. We bring supplies to our prayers—medicine, supportive friends, learning, chance meetings. And we bring our demands—our petitions and constant prayer. Somehow they all interact with each other in formulae grasped only by God.

This Sunday we'll study Psalm Three as an instance of Supply and Demand. Read the Psalm as your part of being supplied for Sunday!

Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.

You are invited to...

Church in the Forest's 30th Annual Fall Party on Sunday, September 24, 2017, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at the home of Nancy and Joe Verska 2817 17-Mile Drive, Pebble Beach

Valet Parking Available

\$25/per person donation for wine and catered hors d'oeuvres Sign up at church or contact the office at 831-624-1374 or citf@mbay.net 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 Small Group Bible Study meets every Sunday at **8:30** AM in the Multi-purpose Room. This study will link with our new sermon series, using Eugene Peterson's Psalms: Prayer of the Heart. Purchase your book from **Ken** (KenFeske@comcast.net), or at your bookseller.
- The *Men's Small Group*, led by **Bob Axley and John Thorbeck**, will meet **Thursday**, **September 21**, **10–11:30** AM, at the home of **Bob Rice:** 11 Windsor Rise, Monterey. Please contact **Bob Axley** for more information: rjaxley@aol.com or 214–384–1023
- A *Small Group* for those who are grieving, led by the **Rev. Dr. William Rolland**, our minister emeritus and an expert in grief counseling, will meet on **Thursday, September 21**, at #8 Skyline Crest, **1:30 –3:00** PM. Please contact **Dr. Rolland** if you have any questions at wmbr727@gmail.com or call 831-229-2099.
- While our *Soul Sisters Small Group* is full, would you like to join *Soul Sisters II*? Please contact **Pastor Joanne** (Joanne@churchintheforest.org).

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Calendar

Sunday September 24, 2017 — Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room led by the Rev. Ken Feske

Topic: Psalm 3

9:15 AM Chapel Concertino 9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages 2 Samuel 15: 30–37; Psalm 3; James 5: 13–16

Lector Lloyd Nattkemper Crucifer Judy Fletcher

Flowers Niels & Jan Reimers

Cookies Arlen & Cindy Lackey and Liz & Skip Lord

Ushers Bob Janzen and Bruce Rosnes Altar Care Martha Jordan & Sandy Rice

Coffee Hour Hosts CitF Hospitality Team

Sermon The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.

Title "Real Spirituality ~ A Sermon Series on Psalms" This Sunday: "Real Prayer: Supply and Demand"

Sunday, October 1, 2017 — St. Francis Sunday/Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 8, 2017 — Reception of New Members

Music Box

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Erasmo "Orazio" Aiello, tenor Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

CHAPEL CONCERTINO

Non ti scordar di me	Ernesto de Curtis
Time to say good bye	L. Quarantotto/F. Sartori
Core 'ngrato	R. Cordiferro/S. Cardillo
I te vurria vasa	V. Russo/E. Di Capua & A. Mazzucchi
That's amore	J. Brooks/H. Warren
Te quiero dijste	Maria Grever
How Great Thou Art	Carl Gustav Boberg (1859-1940)
Psalm XIX	Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

Reverence and Sicilian passion are compatible if not actually conjugate expressions of the soul. Today we are so fortunate to have our favorite tenor, Erasmo Aiello, raise his unforgettable voice in benediction over Church in the Forest and the surrounding landscape.

He is such a joy to listen to, such an accomplished artist, and his voice and spirit ring with Italianate authenticity, big surprise. EnJOY!





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