

Music Box

— APRIL 22, 2012 —

Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano and organ

Prelude for Earth Day

- The Cradle (1964)..... Larry Young, arr. by George Winston
- Tuscany (1986) Suzanne Ciani
- How Fair This Spot
- Op. 21 No. 7.....Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)
transcribed by Vladimir Ashkenazy
- Clair de lune
- from Suite Bergamasque (1890).. Claude Debussy (1862-1918)
- Prelude from Suite Bergamasque..... Claude Debussy
- This Is My Father’s World David H. Hegarty
based on the tune “Terra Beata” by F. L. Sheppard

The music today is as fresh as a spring morning, celebrating Earth Day with keyboard reveries old and new. Herewith some totally cool thoughts for the day:

“Arise and drink your bliss! For everything that lives is holy.”
—William Blake (1757-1827)

“One thing we know: our god is also your god. The earth is precious to him and to harm the earth is to heap contempt on its creator.”
—Chief Seattle (1788-1866) Native American (Suquamish) leader

“All of us living beings belong together in as much as we are all in reality sides or aspects of one single being, which may perhaps in western terminology be called God.”
—Erwin Schrödinger (1887-1961) Nobel prize in physics, 1933

Like, awesome....

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Dear members and friends,

The following is from the pen of just retired Presbyterian minister, John M. Buchanan, editor of *The Christian Century*. He writes:

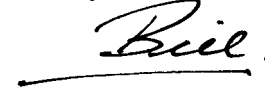
“What does it mean to live in a world in which a resurrection happened? For one thing, we live with the proclamation that goodness and truth are not ultimately overwhelmed by evil and untruth, regardless of what is transpiring in any particular historical moment. There are days when that sounds far-fetched, unrealistic and naïve. Reality in this world is the murder of seventeen Afghan adults and children, or the killing of a seventeen-year-old black youth by a neighborhood vigilante whose act is backed by a Florida law that justifies shooting in response to any perceived threat of violence....

“When Jesus died on Good Friday, his followers lost that faith. Until Jesus’ death, they had begun to think that what he was saying and doing was good and true; contrary to conventional wisdom, peacemakers, the meek and the seekers after goodness were the blessed and truly happy ones. They had begun to believe that it is better to give than to receive, that forgiveness is always better than retaliation, that in order to live fully one has to find ways to give one’s life, and that including the outcast and marginalized is better than excluding them—all of that was shattered when the powers of the world decided that Jesus should be crucified... but then came the resurrection!

“Everything is different because we now live in a world where death did not have the final word, where truth and goodness and love are the final realities, and where resurrection happened.”

Enjoy church—on the resurrection side of life!

See you in Church,



William B. Rolland

ANNOUNCEMENTS: This Sunday: The Rev. **Charles Anker** is preaching with the Rev. **Jim Leeper** assisting.

It is time for us as a congregation to think of and forward names of people along to the *2012 Nominating Committee* for the *Church Board*, the *Fund for the Future* and the *2013 Nominating Committee*. Please forward names to the *Nominating Committee* members: **Mary Kay Crockett, Ken Harrison, Sandra Rice, Maureen Sanders, Vicki Spranza**, the ministers, or **Kay** at the church office: citf@mbay.net or 624-1374. Mark your calendars for the **Annual Church Meeting on June 3**.

There is still a little time left to order Memorial Garden plaques to be placed this year. If you wish to do so, please contact **Sam Griffith, Bob Janzen** or **Kay Gamiero** no later than May 6.

Calendar

Sunday, April 22, 2012

8:30 AM Bible Study with Charles Anker. Topic: 1 Peter 2: 11-12.

Reasons For Right Living

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages I Samuel 8:4-20; Psalm 19: 1-9; I Corinthians 1:26-30

Lector Dennis Riley

Crucifer Lupita Harrison

Flowers Tootie Denahy

Cookies Ruth Gleisner, Annah and Bill Rolland

Altar Care Leonora Branca and Martha Jordan

Ushers Ken and Jean White

Sermon the Rev. Charles Anker

Title “Power and Politics”

Sunday, May 6, 2012 — Spring Breakfast, 8:00 am, Stevenson cafeteria