

Music Box

— MAY 13, 2012 —

Katherine Edison, soprano
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

Gypsy Songs, Op. 55 . . . Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)

1. Mein Lied ertönt (My Song of Love)
2. Ei! Wie mein Triangel (Ei! Triangle be Chiming)
3. Rings ist der Wald (Here in the Wood)
4. Als die alte Mutter (Songs as Mother Sang Them)
5. Reingestimmt die Saiten (Set the Fiddles Scraping)
6. In dem weiten (Flowing Sleeve and Trouser)
7. Darf des Falken Schwinge (The Cliffs of Tatra)

Psalm 23..... Antonin Dvorak

Allegro moderatoFranz Josef Haydn (1732-1809)

Happy Mothers' Day! Herewith a few thoughts on family life:

God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers.

—*Jewish proverb*

Don't turn a small problem into a big problem—say yes to your mother.

—*Sally Berger*

There wouldn't be half as much fun in the world if it weren't for children and men, and there ain't a mite of difference between them under the skins.

—*Ellen Glasgow*

A mother is a person who, seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie.

—*Tenneva Jordan*

And so our mothers and grandmothers have, more often than not anonymously, handed on the creative spark, the seed of the flower they themselves never hoped to see—or like a sealed letter they could not plainly read.

—*Alice Walker*

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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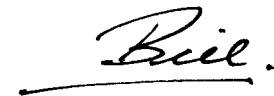
Monday morning, May 7, 2012

Dear members and friends,

Yesterday, communion Sunday, the sermon was centered on the theme of “connection.” And here we are again nearing Mother’s Day, and what better theme than that to preach on such a day; however, I shot that chance by preaching that last week! No mind... here is a follow-up article that certainly lends itself to our thinking about all the encouragement and instructions from Mom, who would tell us to, “Be yourself and accept others in the same manner.” There is a powerful novel by Dostoevsky titled, *The Idiot*. There is a central character in this novel, Prince Myshkin, who does not fit in to the society around him. His peers are striving for status and power. They judge each other on the basis of money or appearance or family connections. In their world, there is no real friendship or intimacy. People use each other to meet their own needs. And into this world walks Prince Myshkin. He just doesn’t get it. He treats everyone, whether poor or rich, with respect and kindness. He has no hidden agenda, no need to dominate others. He is pure in thought, word, and deed. This makes him a fool in other’s eyes. At the same time, all these empty, cynical, status-seeking people are strangely drawn to him. He attracts others, not through money or power, but through the strength of his character.

The Idiot. If that is what an idiot is, I wish that we could all be idiots for Christ, and, as your mother would say, “Amen, go for it, kids!”

See you in church,



William B. Rolland

Calendar

Sunday, May 13, 2012 — Mother’s Day

8:30 AM Bible Study with Charles Anker. Topic: 1 Peter 2: 11-12
Reasons For Right Living; The Greatest Answer And Defence

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages Exodus 2: 1-10; Psalm 5: 8-12; Luke 13: 22-34

Lector Ken Harrison

Crucifer Lupita Harrison

Flowers Bill and Mary Rydell

Cookies Robert and Cynthia Perry

Altar Care Martha Jordan

Ushers Gaby Hahn and Linda Banner

Sermon The Rev. Dr. William B. Rolland

Title A Mothering God