

Music Box

— MAY 26, 2013 —

Laura Anderson, soprano
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

Old American Songs Aaron Copland (1900-1990)
Simple Gifts
The Little Horses
Zion's Walls
At the River
Ching-a-Ring Chaw

Give Me Jesus traditional spiritual, arr. by Howard Helvey

Charlestown arr. by Gilbert Martin

A warm welcome to Laura Anderson in her first appearance at Church in the Forest. A local girl whose career has gone national, she divides her time between New York City and California. She holds a doctoral degree from the University of Minnesota, has performed contemporary and standard operatic repertoire and is an active promoter of modern music. She has collaborated with Kent Nagano and the Berkeley Symphony on the premiere of "Manzanar," been a guest artist at the SPARK Festival of Electronic Music and with the Twin Cities' Renegade Ensemble. She is also a professional card-carrying stage manager and has just finished managing a show in the bay area. Her mom, Kathy Anderson, is the music director and cantor at the Carmel Mission Basilica, so if you see her running off at 10:30 it's because the choir is waiting for her for the 11:00 mass. Please give her your warmest welcome so she'll be inclined to come back!

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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If you use the internet, why don't you have the weekly newsletter sent to you via email? It is fast, easy and saves the church money — here's what to do, Send an email to the office at: cif@mbay.net and ask Sherry to put you on the list. You will receive it early every week!

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Monday morning, May 20, 2013

Dear Members and Friends,

Polish-born American rabbi and writer, Isaac Bashevis Singer is the greatest Yiddish storyteller of the century. He wrote a short story called, "The son from America." In it, the son has been gone from the tiny village in Poland for forty years. He has made a fortune in the United States of America and now returns to the place of his birth for a visit.

Nothing has changed in the village. When he asks his father what he has done with the money orders sent each year from America, the father shows him all the money in an old boot.

"Father, this is a treasure! Why didn't you spend it?"

"On what? Thank God we have everything."


The son asks question after question, but the answer is always the same: they lack for nothing. The garden, the cow, the goat, the chickens provide them with all they need. The son spends the next day observing the "poverty" of the townspeople. Then he begins to think of the suitcase full of gifts, of his plans to bring wealth to everyone in the village.

Then he realizes that they need nothing. They truly have everything.

How many times we are caught in such a predicament? We have "made it" possibly even making a fortune and we have spent it on ourselves building what we think is "the good life." But if truth be told, nothing is needed. Jesus told people plainly that it is only when we lose our life for the sake of the gospel that we find our lives complete.

Have a wonderful "Giving" week and may the Lord richly bless you. See you in church!

Sincerely,


William B. Rolland

Announcements:

A memorial service to give thanks for the life and ministry of **Gordon Paul Smith** will take place at Church in the Forest on this **Saturday, May, 25, at 2.00 pm.** **Note:** Parking is available in Wilson Field on Forest Lake Road.

Stevenson Graduation at 1:00 pm, Sunday, May 26—no coffee hour that day.

Annual Meeting of the Church in the Forest will take place right after service on **Sunday, June 2**, when we will elect new officers to the church Board, Fund for the Future and next year's Nominating Committee, as well as remembering those who have gone on to their final reward.

WATCH THIS SPACE for information coming this next week about **Valet Parking** on Sunday mornings—details to follow.

Calendar

**Sunday, May 26, 2013 — Trinity Sunday and
Observation of Memorial Day**

8:30 AM Bible Study with the Rev. Charles Anker

Topic: The Letter to the Hebrews 7:4-10
The Greatness of Melchizedek

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages Romans 5:1-11; Psalm 103:1-5, 19-22; John 16: 5-16

Lector Francie Blinks

Crucifer Vicki Spranza

Flowers Jeanne and Cyril Yansouni

Altar Care Martha Jordan

Ushers Jack Davis and Linda Banner

Sermon The Rev. Dr. William B. Rolland

Title Making Sense Of It All

Saturday, May 25, 2013 — Memorial Service for Gordon Paul Smith, 2 pm

Sunday, May 26, 2013 — Stevenson Graduation

**Sunday, June 2, 2013 — Annual Meeting of the Congregation
after the service.**