

Music Box

— AUGUST 26, 2012 —

**Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano and organ
Robert Armstead, bass-baritone**

25th Anniversary Program

Overture from Partita IV in D MajorJ. S. Bach (1685-1750)
Variations on “Happy Birthday” in various styles
from Bach to Boogie..... Denes Agay (1912-2007)

Here I Am, Lord, (based on Isaiah 6).....Daniel Schutte,
arr. by Craig Courtney

Now Thank We All Our God
(from Cantata #79).....J. S. Bach (1695-1750)
arr. by Virgil Fox (1912-1980)

This is a thank you. To Lamont and Coach and Harold and Joe and Paul and Charles and Bill, who had the spark to light the first stage and the wisdom to keep it all headed in the right direction. To Kay and Mary, who gracefully edit my mistakes and who stay and cheer for the postlude. To the marvelous people who came and contributed in those early days and who attracted more marvelous people, and to those we no longer see, but whose spirits still come early for the music and stay for the coffee hour. To the beneficent powers at Stevenson School, who provide the incomparable sanctuary in this luminous setting. And to Bob, whose eccentric editorial warp in this column must be obvious to all of you who know him. (He has been singing at CitF since 1987, and he introduced me to Bill Zeitler in 1994, thus setting in motion my appointment as Music Director in 1995.) Such a confluence has never happened before and may never happen again, or so it seems to me.

Aristotle defined happiness as the exercise of vital powers along lines of excellence within a life that affords them scope. For this miraculous opportunity to be your Music Director (17.64632 years before round-off so far) I am happy to a degree that embraces his definition but extends beyond it too, as it does not touch on the warm fellowship I have with so many of you, and the laughter that fills so much of our time together.

“Thank you” is too small, but there it is.

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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Monday morning, August 20, 2012

Dear members and friends,

THE WORK IS DONE—WE CAN PARK AGAIN!

You will be glad to know that we are almost completed with the developments at the entrance to the school and church. It has been a long process with lots of challenges for members and visitors alike, but we have made it, and the end result is outstanding. While some of the landscaping work will continue, that should not be in any way a disruption to us.

Thank you for all your patience and I hope to see you back in your pew for this coming Sunday, which also is our Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration that afternoon.

See you in church,



William B. Rolland



Calendar

Sunday, August 26, 2012

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

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages Isaiah 40: 3-11; Psalm 27: 3-11; John 16:12-15

Lector Dick Crowell

Crucifer Skip Lord

Flowers Donald and Dianne Watson

Cookies Maggie Holm and Gloria Wagner

Altar Care Martha Jordan

Ushers Ken and Jean White

Sermon The Rev. Dr. William B. Rolland

Title With an Eye to the Past, Present and the Future

Sunday, August 26, 2012, Church in the Forest 25th Anniversary Party
5:00 pm, Rosen Center. Park in the new lot and enter from the left side of Douglas Hall; for valet parking, enter from Faculty Drive and drive to the rear of Rosen. Take elevator up to main floor.