

Music Box

— NOVEMBER 17, 2013 —

Peter Tuff, baritone
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

Songs of TravelRobert Louis Stevenson/
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Vagabond
The Roadside Fire
Youth and Love

Old American Songsarranged by Aaron Copland (1900-1990)

The Little Horses
Simple Gifts
Zion's Walls

A Simple Song (from Mass)Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

Voluntary William Selby (1738-1798)

I walk in your world
a mercy, a healing—

Like a cooper of barrels you bind the mountains with ribbing
your hand rests on rambunctious seas
they grow peaceful
the brow of a sleeping child

Autumn is a king's progress, largesse lies ripe on the land

up, down the furrow your Midas touch rains gold;
rainbows are from your glance

Fall of rain, evenfall, all all is blessing!

—Daniel Berrigan



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Monday morning, November 11, 2013

Dear Members and Friends,

It's all about Faith

Annah and I had the opportunity Sunday afternoon to attend the concert by **ARIA** at the Synagogue Beth Israel. It was a powerful and moving story of the Jewish suffering during the Nazi regime, including some of the writings of Anne Frank. The message tied into the subject of Sunday's sermon, entitled, "A Faith for Today," and because it is such a huge issue within the Christian religion, I thought I'd share with you some other noteworthy comments that have meant a lot to me over the years.

It was Harry Emerson Fosdick who preached a powerful sermon at Riverside Church in New York. He spoke on the place of faith in the life of a follower of Jesus of Nazareth. He told his congregation: "Fear imprisons, faith liberates; fear paralyzes, faith empowers; fear makes us sick, faith heals; fear makes us feel useless, faith makes us serviceable; and most of all, fear puts hopelessness at the heart of life, while faith rejoices in God."

Years ago, I heard the story of faith, and how real faith is not dependent on happy endings. It took place in the year 1550 when a ship full of emigrants from Spain was ravaged by disease. The captain of the vessel put them ashore in an uninhabited area. One of them by the name of Jossel, was accompanied by his wife and two little sons. The wife, unaccustomed to walking long distances, grew weak and died. Jossel carried the children until he fell down, exhausted. When he came to, he found that his two sons had died. In his grief the father rose and said: "Lord of the worlds. You do much to make me give up my faith. Know that in spite of the

heavenly powers I shall remain a Jew. What calamity you have visited or will visit upon me will be of no avail." Then he took some dust and grass and covered his dead children with it and went on his way in search for an inhabited place.

Jossel's faith and that of those of the death camp survivors was total. Their faith was unconditional. It did not depend on happy endings.

May your faith and mine, be made strong in the Lord, and may God's presence be with us always.

See you in Church,



William B. Rolland

ANNOUNCEMENT: The **ARIA** concert program, "Songs of Faith and Remembrance" has been held over for another weekend. For more information and tickets, contact: www.ariamonterey.org

Calendar

Sunday, November 17, 2013

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

Topic: Letter to the Hebrews 13: 1 - 8
The Marks of the Christian Life; The Leaders and the Leader

9:15 AM Music Prelude

9:30 AM Morning Prayer

Passages Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 98; Luke 21:5-19;

Lector Ken Harrison

Crucifer Lupita Harrison

Flowers Lloyd Nattkemper

Cookies Theo Fowler

Altar Care Shirley Temple and Alison Burleigh

Ushers Bob and Sandy Rice

Sermon The Rev. Ken Feske

Title "The End of Time—Fear? Hopefulness!!"

Sunday, November 24, Thanksgiving/Stewardship Sunday