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67th Annual Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association



Sunday, July 11, 2021 • 7:00 PM

He Leadeth Me: Songs of Hope and Healing

The Great Festival Chorus
MidAtlantic Brass Ensemble

Dr. Jason C. Tramm, Director of Music Ministries

Dr. Gordon Turk Organist in Residence

Monica Ziglar
Soprano Soloist

Ronald Naldi Artist in Residence

Allison Gish Mezzo-Soprano Soloist Justin Beck Bass Soloist

Justin Gonzalez Tenor Section Leader





Instrumental Prelude:

"Canzon in Double Echo"
"Two Beloved Hymns"
"Grand Chœur Dialogué"

Giovanni Gabrieli Arr. W. Rowland Eugene Gigout/Arr. J. Kuzma

Invitation to Worship

Michael Badger, President, OGCMA

"He, Watching Over Israel" from Elijah

Felix Mendelssohn

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps. Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish, He will quicken thee. He, watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps.

Scripture — Philippians 3:7-14

Nancy Ann Gillan, Program Committee Chair, OGCMA

"Give Me Iesus"

O, when I am alone, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. O when I come to die, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. And when I want to sing, give me Jesus. Everett McCorvey, Conductor

Fiona Smith Southerland, Conductor

You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. And when I am alone, give me Jesus. O, when I am alone, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. O when I come to die, give me Jesus.

Trad/Arr. Larry Fleming

You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. And when I want to sing, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. And when I am alone, give me Jesus.

Scripture — John 11:25-27, Luke 24:1-7

"On the Third Day"

Allen Pote

Jesus was crucified, Jesus was crucified.
He died and was buried.
On the third day, on the third day,
on the third day, Christ arose.
He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right
hand of God, the Father Almighty.

Allison Gish, Mezzo-Soprano Marina Alexander, Conductor

He will come again to judge
the living and the dead,
His kingdom will have no end.
He is risen as he said, He is alive,
He is alive, Alleluia!
Christ has conquered death and sin,
Died for us our souls to win.
He is alive, He is alive, Alleluia!

He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead,

His kingdom will have no end.

On the third day, on the third day, on the third day, Christ arose!

Hymn — O God Our Help in Ages Past

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home!

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure. Before the hills in order stood Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an ev'ning gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun. Isaac Watts / attr. William Croft

O God, our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come, Be Thou our guide while life shall last, And our eternal Home.



"You are my Refuge"

Michael John Trotta

Donated in memory of Bob Brugger by Elizabeth LaRosa Monica Ziglar, Mezzo-Soprano Dr. Michael John Trotta, Conductor

You are my refuge and my strength, You are my shelter from the storm,

I will not fear when the ground shakes or mountains fall into the sea.

I will not fear when mountains shake from swelling tide.

There is a river filled with life, a sacred place in which you dwell,

Within its streams I find you there, I find your help at break of dawn.

Though nations fear and kingdoms fade,

Your voice brings hope when morning comes, You are with me my fortress and strength.

Be still and know that I am. Be still and know. Be still. Be.

Scripture — Psalm 91:1–2, 14–16

"The Storm is Passing Over"

Rider Foster, Conductor

Barbara Baker

Have courage my soul, and let us journey on. Though the night is dark and I am far from home, Thanks be to God, the morning light appears. The storm is passing over, Hallelujah! Hallelujah, the storm is passing over.

Greeting

Offertory — "Sing me to Heaven"

Daniel Gawthorp

Great Auditorium Quartet

Ocean Grove Auditorium Ushers' March

Clarence M. Kohlmann

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below:

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Please remain standing for the singing of the hymn

Hymn — He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!

What eer I do, whereer I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

He leadeth me, He leadeth me, By His own hand He leadeth me; His faithful follower I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes midscenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom. By waters still o'er troubled sea, Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me. [refrain]

Joseph H. Gilmore / William B. Bradbury

Lord I would place my hand in Thine, Nor ever murmur nor repine: Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. [refrain]

And when my task on earth is done, When by Thy grace the victory's won, E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God through Jordan leadeth me.

[refrain]

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"It is Well with my Soul"

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll, Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul. My sin, O the joy of this glorious thought, My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, for my soul! It is well with my soul.

Horatio Spafford/Arr. John Ness Beck

Dr. Cindy Bell, Conductor

And Lord, haste the day
when my faith shall be sight.
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll.
The trumpet shall sound
and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul!

Scripture — Luke 6:17-19

"There is a Balm in Gilead"

Traditional Spiritual/Arr. William Dawson

Monica Ziglar, Soprano Everett McCorvey, Conductor

There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole. There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul. Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain. But then the holy spirit revives my soul again. There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole.

There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul. If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul, You can tell the love of Jesus, and say "He died for all". There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole. There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.

Scripture — John 1:29-34

"Agnus Dei" from High Lonesome Mass

Wes Ramsey and Tim Sharp

In Memory of Frances Wardell Spigelmyer Susan Heerema, Fiddle, Carol Hammersma, Banjo and Stephen Burke, Bass Dr. Jason Tramm, Conductor

Oh, Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us. When I was sinking down, sinking down Christ laid aside his crown. Oh, Lamb of God,
that taketh away the sins of the world.
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

Oh, Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us. Grant us Thy peace.

Scripture — Psalm 23





"Through it all, He Leads me"

World Premiere

Ronald Cadmus/ Music: Kevin Boesiger

Dedicated by Bonnie Greaves in honor of the Ladies' Auxiliary as it proudly celebrates 75 years of service to the Ocean Grove community

Keyin Boesiger, Conductor

Kevin Boesiger, Conductor

When life's unkind, when we are stressed, The heart is breaking, no peace or rest. When life's unfair and treats us wrong, We wonder if God is there at all. Through fear and loss each fear and pain In each dark trial, what is there to gain? Through each doubt and shattered dream, We wonder how to get through it all.

Through it all when faith is weary,
Through it all, when hope is gone,
Through it all, when God is silent,
Through it all, when we feel alone,
Through it all, when our soul needs healing,
Through God's grace, our sins alone,
Through it all, through it all, through it all!

"Come follow me" the Savior calls, Eternal Life I offer all, I'll lead the way, whate'er befalls, Just take my hand, I'll be with you, with you... Through it all when faith is weary, Through it all, when hope is gone, Through it all, when God is silent, Through it all, when we feel alone, Through it all, when our soul needs healing, Through God's grace, our sins alone, Through it all, through it all, through it all, My Savior leads me, all the way, my Savior leads me. What have I to ask beside? Can I doubt His tender mercy, Who thro' life has been my guide?

Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,

Here by faith in Him to dwell! For I know whateer befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me; What have I to ask beside? Perfect rest to me is promised In my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothed immortal, Wings in flight to realms of day. This my song thro' endless ages, Jesus led me all the way. This my song thro' endless ages, Jesus led me all the way. He has been through it all, He leads us, makes us strong. THIS IS OUR SONG!

Thomas O. Chisholm / William M. Runyan

Hymn — Great is Thy Faithfulness

verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided —
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

verse 2

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

[refrain]

verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

[refrain]

Prayer

"Hallelujah" from Christ on the Mount of Olives

Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son.
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs,
in holy songs of joy.
Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.
Man, proclaim His grace and glory,
Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son.

Dr. Jason C. Tramm, Conductor Praise the Lord in songs of joy, O, praise the Lord in holy songs of joy, Man, proclaim His grace and glory, Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son.

Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy. Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son.

Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.

Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.

Ludwig van Beethoven

Man, proclaim His grace and glory, Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son.

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Cindy L. Bell is a fifth generation Ocean Grover, growing up in this seaside resort participating in the summer youth dramatic programs, youth choir and swim team. Now as Professor of Music at Hofstra University, she directs the undergraduate and graduate programs in music education, and conducts the University Choir. She is a graduate of Lycoming College [PA], the Eastman School of Music [NY] and Teachers College of Columbia University, where she earned the Ed.D. in Music Education. Dr. Bell has presented workshops for state, divisional and national music education and choral conferences, such as NYSSMA, NAfME, ISME and ACDA, adjudicates choirs for the Long Island Music Festival and guest conducts choirs of all ages. She is keenly interested in preserving the unique history of Ocean Grove for the next generation, and contributes her time and talents to the Historical Society, researching the musical programs of Ocean Grove, and most recently facilitating the restoration of the beautiful fountain in Founders Park.



Fueled by a passion to share new music that engages conductors, ensembles, and audiences alike, **Michael John Trotta** is fast becoming one of the most exciting and prominent new composers of choral music. Drawing on his experience as a conductor and clinician, he brings artistry and excellence within reach for thousands of musicians each year.

From Carnegie Hall to classrooms all over the world, Trotta's unique blend of engaging and artistic music creates opportunities to experience new music and empowers individuals to realize their artistic potential. His engaging style fuses tradition and innovation to create moments of beauty that "effectively carry out a dialogue between the [music] and the modern listener." (Choral Journal)



Everett McCorvey is a native of Montgomery, Alabama, and received his degrees from the University of Alabama. Dr. McCorvey holds the rank of Professor of Voice and the OperaLex Endowed Chair in Opera Studies and is the Director and Executive Producer of UK Opera Theatre. Dr. McCorvey established, directs, and tours nationally and internationally with the American Spiritual Ensemble and is in his 6th season as the Artistic Director of the National Chorale, a professional choral organization that presents an annual choral-orchestral series at Lincoln Center in New York. He served as the executive producer for the opening and closing ceremonies of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, the largest equestrian event in the history of the United States. Dr. McCorvey was recently chosen as the 2020 recipient for the Southeastern Athletic Conference Faculty Achievement Award for the University of Kentucky and was the 2018 recipient of the University of Kentucky Libraries Medallion for Intellectual Achievement Award, one of the highest awards presented by the University. The award promotes education and creative thought. He is also vice-chair of the Kentucky Arts Council for the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



Fiona Smith Sutherland is a career Church Musician, who has served many large churches and parishes in Connecticut, New York, and now back in her home state of New Jersey at Tower Hill Church in Red Bank as Director of Traditional Music and Organist. As a choral conductor, organist, accompanist, and handbell clinician, she is sought after as a guest conductor and artist. Fiona earned both her Undergraduate and Graduate degrees at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, and is currently in the process of earning her doctorate. As a Sacred Musician, she has taken choirs on international tours, conducted and played at large venues including St Thomas Fifth Avenue, and has had the opportunity to play for President Obama. The pandemic has brought on a whole level of technological expertise in audio engineering, which she embraced and mastered. Fiona also is the accompanist for two local choral societies, the Shrewsbury Chorale and the Lakeside Choraliers. This is her first time conducting here at the Great Auditorium and the Ocean Grove Choir Festival and she is honored to be part of this brilliant musical tradition!



Marina Alexander conducts the Arcadian Chorale (NJ) and Richmond Choral Society (NYC). Noted for her scholarship and innovative programming, she has resurrected rarely heard masterpieces and presented US or NY area premieres of many works, including her own compositions. Ms. Alexander has performed at Carnegie Hall on several occasions, conducting *Te Deum* settings by Otto Olsson and Antonin Dvorak, and appeared as Guest Conductor with many NY area orchestras leading major works, including the Verdi *Requiem*, Mozart "*Great*" *Mass in C minor*, and Beethoven *Symphony #9*. She is Adjunct Associate Professor at the College of Staten Island-CUNY, teaching Conducting, Vocal Performance, and Music History, and often appears as a clinician at choral workshops and music festivals. Ms. Alexander is also vice-president of the NJ Choral Consortium.



A life-long lover of music, **Rider R. Foster** has performed as a chorister, conductor, and soloist throughout his life. A former student of Thomas Faracco at Westminster Choir College, he was a member of internationally recognized Westminster Choir under the direction of Joe Miller, and of the Emmy Nominated Williamson Voices under the direction of James Jordan. He has also participated in two recordings under the auspices of Westminster Choir College's ensembles, along with myriad performances, most notably with NYC Opera, and with similarly prominent conductors and orchestras. He is the founding director and conductor of Clarum Sonum, which is an entirely volunteer choir dedicated to the performance of new music and collaboratively enriching local music programs both sacred and secular. He is also chorus master for Light Opera of New Jersey.





R. Kevin Boesiger received a Bachelor of Music Education from Nebraska Wesleyan University and a Masters of Music in Music Composition from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. He is the Arts and Education Director at the Kroc Center in Omaha, Nebraska. Boesiger previously was the Creative Arts Pastor at Christ Community Church in Beatrice where he has served from 1990-2017. He also served as the Choral conductor for Southeast Community College in Beatrice where he directed the choir and served as the musical director for their stage productions for 12 years. He has studied with Mark Hayes, Dr. Randall Snyder, Tyler White and Boyd Bacon. Kevin performs and conducts on a regular basis for many community events, including the Beatrice Regional Orchestra, and enjoys his time as a husband and father of four. He has been married to Tami since 1986.



Dr. Jason C. Tramm is celebrating his fifteenth season as Director of Music Ministries with the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association. Sacred music has been central to his career from a very early age, beginning at age five as a boy soprano soloist at St. Thomas Lutheran Church in West Nyack, NY. His work in the sacred, symphonic and operatic realms have received acclaim both nationally and internationally. Dr. Tramm currently serves as an Associate Professor and Director of Choral Activities at Seton Hall University (where he was named the 2017 University Faculty Teacher of the Year), Artistic Director of the MidAtlantic Artistic Productions, Music Director of the Taghkanic Chorale (Yorktown Heights, NY), Music Director of the Axelrod Contemporary Ballet Ensemble, Principal Guest Conductor of the Long Island Concert Orchestra. Dr. Tramm has conducted in many prestigious venues including Carnegie Hall, Merkin Hall, NJPAC and David Geffen Hall. He holds degrees from the Crane School (SUNY Potsdam), the Hartt School (University of Hartford) and a Doctoral of Musical Arts from Mason Gross (Rutgers University), where he was the recipient of the prestigious Presidential Fellowship. A frequent guest conductor, Dr. Tramm has led symphonic and operatic performances in Italy, Romania, Albania, Hungary and throughout the United States. He also is the host/creator of the Music Matters with Jason Tramm podcast, which explores musical innovation and artistic self-discoveries made during the Covid-19 era made by distinguished artists in a variety of musical genres. Music Matters can be heard on YouTube, Spotify, Google and Apple Podcasts and on the WMCA Radio in NYC from 11:30-Noon on Saturdays. The Tramm family is proud to call Ocean Grove their musical and spiritual home during the summer months.

Mid Stlantic Brass Ensemble

Trumpets:

Chuck Bumcrot Thomas Verchot Sam Hontz Roger Widicus Horn:

Bryan Meyer

Tuba:Bob Sacchi

Trombones:

Timpani/Percussion:

Thomas Kamp Nate Rensink James Musto III

Annual Sacred Masterwork — August 29 – 7:00 PM

Hear My Prayer: A Concert of Hope and Consolation

Michael John Trotta *Gloria*, F. Mendelssohn *Hear My Prayer*, G. Fauré *Requiem in D Minor*Featuring the Auditorium Choir and Quartet, Conducted by Jason Tramm
Accompanied by Gordon Turk, Organ and the MidAtlantic Philharmonic Orchestra

Participating Choirs

5th Avenue Chapel, Eatontown, NJ

All Saints Lutheran Church, New York, NY

Ardena Baptist Church, Freehold, NJ

Augustus Lutheran Church, Royersford, PA

Bel Air Presbyterian Church

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, North Haledon, NJ

Bethlehem Lutheran, Ridgewood, NJ

Boesiger Group, Beatrice, NE

Bridgewater United Methodist Church

Brookdale Christian Church, Bloomfield, NJ

Brookdale Christian Church, Clifton NJ

Caldwell United Methodist Church, Caldwell, NJ

Calvary Baptist, Belmar, NJ

Calvary Baptist, Freehold, NJ

Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Neshanic Station, NJ

Christ Evangelical, Whiting, NJ

Christ United Methodist Church, Lakewood, NJ

Church of St Anselm, Tinton Falls, NJ

Cornerstone Church, Wyckoff, NJ

Faith UMC, Boynton Beach, Florida

First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover, NJ

First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell, West Caldwell, NJ

First Presbyterian Church of Avenel

First Presbyterian Church of Boonton, Boonton, NJ

First Presbyterian Church of Verona, NJ, Warren, NJ

First Presbyterian Church, Washingtonvillle, NY

First Presbyterian Church, Belmar, NJ

First Presbyterian Church, Tuckerton, NJ

First UMC Toms River, Pine Beach, NJ

First United Methodist Church of Avalon, Avalon, NJ

First United Methodist Church of Beach Haven Terrace, Barnegat, NJ

First United Methodist, Blairstown, NJ

Fontana United Christian, Lebanon, PA

Franciscan Servants of God's Grace, Jackson, NI

Friends to Friends Community Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, King of Prussia, PA Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Point Pleasant, NJ

GoodWood Music LLC, Woodbridge, NJ

Grace Church Haddonfield, Haddonfield, NJ

Holy Innocence Church, Neptune, NJ

Hope Presbyterian Church, Tinton Falls, NJ

Lafayette Federated Church, Newton, NJ

Langhorne Presbyterian Church, Feasterville, PA

Liquid Church, NJ

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Tinton Falls, NJ

Manahawkin United Methodist Church

Manahawkin United Methodist Church, Manahawkin, NJ

Matawan United Methodist Church, Matawan, NJ

McKinley Presbyterian Church, Champaign, IL

Memorial UMC, Quarryville, PA

Memorial United Methodist Church, Quarryville, PA

Montgomery UMC, Hamilton, NJ

Morris Choral Society, Dover, NJ

Morristown UMC, Morristown, NJ

Mt. Gretna UMC, Mt. Gretna, PA

Ocean Grove Church, Ocean Grove NJ

Oceanport UMC, Oceanport, NJ

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Booton, NJ

Philadelphia Bible Church International, Lansdowne, PA

Pilgrim Baptist Church, Red Bank, NJ

Pinelands Reformed Church, Toms River, NJ

Presbyterian Church of Upper Montclair, NJ

Queen of the Universe R.C. Church, Levittown, PA

Saint Eleanor Catholic Church, Collegeville, PA

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church, Bear, DE

Salvation Army Kroc Center, Omaha, NE

Second CRC Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan

Simpson United Methodist Church, Old Bridge, NJ

St Thomas Lutheran Church, Brick, NJ

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Carmel, IN St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Yardley, PA

St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Asbury Park, NJ

St. Catharine — St. Margaret's Parish, Spring Lake, NJ

St. Catharine of Siena, Seaside Park, NJ

St. Catherine, Spring Lake, NJ

St. Eleanor Catholic Church, Limerick, PA

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Yonkers, NY

St. John's United Methodist Church, Ivyland, PA

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, Toms River, NJ

St. Mary Mother of God Church, Middletown, NJ

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Wayne, PA

St. Patrick Church

St. Paul's U.M. Church, Staten Island, NY

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Jackson, NJ

St. Paul's, Wall, NJ

St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Frisco TX

Standrew UMC, Toms River, NJ

Succasunna United Methodist Church, Randolph, NJ

Sussex Christian Reformed Church, Vernon, NI

Tenafly United Methodist Church, River Edge, NJ

Terrace Methodist Church, Warminster, PA

The Episcopal Church of the Atonement, Fair Lawn, NJ

The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell, NJ, Caldwell, NJ

The Island Singers, Bayville, NJ

The Reformed Church of Bronxville

Tower Hill First Presbyterian Church, Red Bank, NJ

Trinity Episcopal Church, Matawan, NJ

UMC of Wayne, NJ

Union Baptist Church, Belford, NJ

United Methodist Church Oakhurst

Village Lutheran Church, Lanoka Harbor NJ

Vincent United Methodist Church, Nutley, NJ

Wall United Methodist Church

West Side Presbyterian Church, Pompton Plains, NJ

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, East Petersburg, PA