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Sixty First Annual

Choir Pestival



Sunday, July 12, 2015 • 7:00 PM

"Prince of Peace"

The Great Festival Chorus

Dr. Jason C. Tramm, Director of Music

Dr. Gordon Turk, Organist in Residence

Monica Ziglar, Soprano Soloist Ronald Naldi, Artist in Residence

Martha Bartz, Mezzo-Soprano Soloist Justin Beck, Bass Soloist

Theodore Chletsos, Tenor Section Leader



Prelude: Brass and Organ

Awake the Trumpet's Lofty Sound (from Samson)

Solemn Entry

Great Auditorium Brass Ensemble

G. F. Handel

J. Martin

Richard Strauss

Invitation To Worship:

Rev. John DiGiamberardino, Chair, Program Committee, OGCMA

Canticle of Peace

Dr. Joseph M. Martin, Conductor

This Anthem was given in Loving Memory of Robert R. Paugh and Esther S. Paugh, from Nancy A. Paugh and their family.

Peace, fall like a gentle snow; Fall fresh on the wounded heart. Come blanket our ev'ry fear And let the healing start. Cover ev'ry anxious thought, And all our fears erase. May we know the tender touch Of love's redeeming grace.

Hope come like a silver star. Shine down on our solemn night. May you lead to a golden dawn And morning's promised light. Let shadows of vi'lence vanish. Let us find tomorrow's sure embrace. May we know the tender touch Of love's redeeming grace. Grant us peace. Dona, dona nobis pacem. Grant us peace.

Dona nobis pacem. Et in tera pax hominibus Bonae voluntatis, bonae voluntatis. Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Peace, fall like a gentle snow.

How Lovely Are The Messengers (from St. Paul)

Marcello Velame, Conductor

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace,

How lovely are the messengers

That preach us the gospel of peace, the gospel of peace, The messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.

How lovely are they that preach us the gospel of peace, To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, is gone forth the sound of their words.

F. Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace,

The messengers that preach us,

That preach us the gospel, the gospel of peace,

That preach us the gospel of peace.

To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words
Throughout all the lands their glad tidings
How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of
peace.

Hymn - Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, To His feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who, like me, His praise should sing? Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor To all people in distress; Praise Him, still the same forever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness. H. Lyte/J. Goss

Fatherlike, God tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows; In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels in the heights adore Him, Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him; Dwellers all in time and space. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.



For Unto Us A Child Is Born, (from Messiah)

Michael Schmidt, Conductor

For unto us a Child is born Unto us a Son is given And the government Shall be upon His shoulder And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor The Mighty God The Everlasting Father The Prince of Peace

D. S. York

G. F. Handel

Lord, Make Me Thine Instrument

Dr. Cindy Bell, Conductor

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace; Where there is hatred let me sow love; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, let me sow joy. O Divine Master, grant that
I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pard'ning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Dr. Dale C. Whilden, President, OGCMA

Greeting

Offertory - *Deep River* (Traditional Spiritual)
Great Auditorium Quartet

arr. R. Robinson

Clarence M. Kohlmann

F. Kaan/J. HughesA

Ocean Grove Auditorium Ushers' March

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 be seated as the ushers recess.

Hymn - For the Healing of the Nations

For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord; For a just and equal sharing Of the things that earth affords; To a life of love in action Help us rise and pledge our word, (p

Help us rise and pledge our word, (pledge our word) Help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom;
From despair your world release,
That, redeemed from war and hatred,
All may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
Fear will die and hope increase, (hope increase)
Fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
Let it from the earth be banned;
Pride of status, race or schooling,
Dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
May we hallow life's brief span, (life's brief span)
May we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written Your great name on human-kind; For our growing in your likeness Bring the life of Christ to mind, That by our response and service Earth its destiny may find, (may find) Earth its destiny may find.

Dona Nobis Pacem

Dr. Mark Miller, Conductor

M. A. Miller

This Anthem was given in Memory of Tyler Clementi and in Honor of the Tyler Clementi Foundation, from Jane Rehmke. Dona nobis, nobis pacem. Dona nobis, nobis pacem. (Translation: Grant us Peace)



The King of Love my Shepherd Is (Traditional Irish Hymn)

Arr. M. Wilberg

Thomas Berdos, Conductor Ronald Naldi, Tenor

The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth

"Goin' to the Holy City"

Dr. Joseph M. Martin, Conductor Martha Bartz, Mezzo Soprano And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever, within Thy house forever!

J. Martin

This Anthem was given in Loving Memory of my mother, Aldyn G. Taylor from her daughter, Kymme Van Cleef.

I am a poor pilgrim of sorrow. I'm tossed in this wide world alone. No hope have I for tomorrow. I'm gonna make heaven my home.

Sometimes, I am tossed and driven, Lord. Sometimes I don't know where to roam. I've heard of a city called heaven And I'm gonna make it my home.

Goin' to the holy city,
I'm gonna leave this world behind.
You know I'm going to the holy city
And I have glory on my mind.
Goin' to the holy city,
I'm gonna live eternally.
Oh, yes I'm goin' to the holy city.
Won't you come and go with me?

I'm goin to the holy city, to see the Lord I love.

Oh, Yes I'm goin' to the Holy city, Upon the wings of a snow white dove.

Going to the holy city,
I'm gonna join the jubilee.
Oh, yes I'm goin' to the holy city.
Won't you come and go with me?
There will be no sorrow.
There will be no tears.
There will be no dyin' there,
You can cast away your fears!

Hallelujah! Sing glory Hallelujah! . Hallelujah! Bow before the Lamb.

Goin' to the holy city, Gonna wade into the crystal sea. Goin' to the holy city. Wanna come and go with me?

Hymn - Great is Thy Faithfulness

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 has been, Thou for ever wilt be.

Refrain:

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

Summer and winter, and spring time and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. T. Chisholm/W. Runyan

Refrain:

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

Final 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, Great is Thy faithfulness, Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.



"Healing Light, a Celtic Prayer" (from the Peacemakers)

K. Jenkins

Dr. Mark A. Boyle, Conductor

This Anthem was given in honor of the Rev. Walter and Leona Quigg, from Jim and Heike Graef.

Deep peace of the running wave to you Deep peace of the flowing air to you Deep peace of the quiet earth to you Amen.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you Deep peace of the gentle night to you Moon and stars pour their healing light on you, Amen.

Peace Triumpant Peace (from the Peacemakers)

K. Jenkins

G. F. Handel

Dr. Jason C. Tramm, Conductor

This Anthem was given in Loving Memory of Jean Theresa Wiley, from Wendy Miller and Patricia Wiley.

Peace, peace, peace triumphant peace Shall reign on Earth, on Earth some day. Pray, pray for peace and make your words Echo round the world for peace one day, On Earth one day, that wondrous day When the world has peace, Glorious, glorious, glorious, such peace.

How wonderful it is that no-one need Wait a single moment before starting to Improve the world, the world. Embrace the spirit of peace and thousands Of souls around you will be saved.

Triumphant peace,
Pray, pray for peace and make your words
Echo round the world for peace one day,
On earth one day, that wondrous day
when the world has peace, glorious,
Glorius, glorious, such peace,
Glorious, glorious, glorious, such peace.

Closing Blessing

Pastor John DiGiamberardino, OGCMA Trustee

Worthy is the Lamb and Amen (from Messiah)

Dr. Jason C. Tramm, Conductor

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, And hath redeemed us to God by His blood, To receive power, and riches, and wisdom, And strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing and honour, glory, and pow'r, be unto Him, Be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. For ever and ever, for ever and ever, glory, unto the Lamb. Blessing, and honour, glory, and pow'r, be unto Him,

Glory be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, That sitteth upon the throne, for ever and ever. And unto the Lamb forever. Blessing, and honour, glory and pow'r, be unto Him, Be unto Him, blessing, honour, glory, and power,

Be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, Upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever, And unto the Lamb forever, For ever and ever, for ever and ever, For ever and ever, for ever and ever, Amen.





Dr. Cindy L. Bell is Associate Professor of Music Education at Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY, where she directs the 100-voice University Choir, teaches graduate and undergraduate classes, and coordinates the music education program. A specialist in choral music education and community choirs, Dr. Bell presents workshops for state, divisional and national music education and choral conferences, such as the NAfME 2014 National In-Service Conference in Nashville. She adjudicates choirs for the Long Island Music Festival and guest conducts choirs of all ages, including the 2015 PMEA Region VI High School Chorus in Pennsylvania., and the 2016 Delaware All-State Women't Chorus. A fifth generation Ocean Grover, she is co-author with her father, local historian Ted Bell, the 2012 book The Great Auditorium: Ocean Grove's Architectural Treasure, and is continuing research on the various Camp Meeting musical programs in Ocean Grove over the last 144 years.



Thomas R. Berdos is Director of Music Ministries at Fanwood Presbyterian Church. He is also on the music faculty of the Pingry School. Mr. Berdos has taught on the faculties of Taylor University and Nyack College, as well as other colleges. An award-winning music educator, he has co-presented workshops on elementary music and physics at NJAIS conventions. Mr. Berdos has organized and conducted regional performances of Handel's *Messiah* for many years, has conducted at past Ocean Grove Choir Festivals, and is the founder and coordinator of the Fanwood Choir Festival. Mr. Berdos has performed in Asia, South America, and in the US with his organist wife, Deborah Berdos. He is also a published composer of music for piano, organ, and brass ensemble.



Dr. Mark A. Boyle Dr. Mark A. Boyle is Director of Choral Activities at Seton Hill University in Greensburg, PA. Originally from Connecticut, he attended Susquehanna University, majoring in Music Education with an emphasis on tuba and trombone. He spent 5 years in the United States Navy, during which time he conducted the Bluejackets Memorial Choir. In constant demand as a tenor, his recent appearances include *Elijah* with the Bach Choir of Bethlehem, *The Shepherd* in Stravinksy's Œdipus Rex at the National Seminar of the IMC, and *Messiah* at Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He has also conducted the 800 voice choir at the Ocean Grove Choral Festival, the New Jersey Central Region Choir, and several county choirs throughout Pennsylvania. 2014-2015 engagements included the Wisconsin Middle School All State Choir, the PMEA District IV Choral Festival, the Mucho Macho Festival in Pittsburgh, and the Westmoreland County Chorus Festival. Boyle serves ACDA as the College and University Repertoire and Standards Chair for the State of Pennsylvania, the Men's Choir Repertoire and Standards Chair for the Eastern Division, and the 2016 Eastern Division Conference App Liaison. He received his MM in choral conducting from Ball State University and the DMA in Choral Conducting from the Mason Gross School of the Arts, the arts conservatory of Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey. Married to music educator and pianist, Jane Boyle, they reside in New Stanton with their two sons, Nathan and Patrick. Dr. Boyle is thrilled to be returning to Ocean Grove



Dr. Joseph Martin a native of North Carolina, earned his Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance at Furman University in Greenville, SC. and his Master of Music degree in Piano Performance at the University of Texas, Austin. Joseph taught for 5 years in the Piano Pedagogy Department of the University of Texas. While at Furman University, he was accompanist for choral director and composer Milburn Price, who inspired him to compose. Joseph has performed solo piano recitals and has been the featured artist with symphony orchestras in the United States and Mexico. As winner of the Nina Plant Wideman Competition, he performed with the Guadalajara Symphony Orchestra. His solo recital in Ex-convento del Carmen was broadcast nationally throughout the country. His first solo piano recording, American Tapestry, was nominated for a Dove Award. He has recorded for Yamaha's Disklavier series and has composed hundreds of commissioned works. Recognized throughout the United States for his many choral compositions, both sacred and secular, over 2,000 compositions are currently in print. His composition "Pieta" was honored with an award from the John Ness Beck Foundation. In 2008 he was inducted as a National Patron of the Delta Omicron International Music Fraternity. His major works include 50 choral cantatas and Song of Wisdom, a choral tone poem based on the best-selling children's book, Old Turtle. His work for young voices Heartsongs was premiered at Carnegie Hall. Joe is co-founder of a unique travel experience, "Journeys With Joe." This program connects musicians and singers with extraordinary tours throughout the world. His company, Martin Creative Services, has established conferences and seminars throughout the US and has developed innovative web based ventures Sanctuary Radio and Worship Songs Online. Joseph is Artist in Residence at Concordia University in Austin, Texas where he lives with his wife Sue, and his children, Jonathan and Aubrey.

Conductors



Michael Schmidt is the Vocal Music Teacher at Voorhees High School in Glen Gardner, NJ. He also serves as the Minister of Music at St. Paul Lutheran Church, in East Windsor, NJ. In addition to his teaching and church work, Mr. Schmidt is the President-Elect for the New Jersey American Choral Directors Association, and Audition Registration Chair for the New Jersey All-State Choirs. Mr. Schmidt's conducting credits include conducting the Westminster Conservatory Youth Chorale, Interim conductor for the Hunterdon Choral Union, and he is excited to add the 2015 CJMEA Region 2 Women's Choir. As a pianist and organist, Mr. Schmidt has played for multiple performances throughout New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York. In addition, Mr. Schmidt has lead reading sessions for NJACDA, and presented sessions for the College Music Society, NJACDA, and New York State Music Educators Association. Mr. Schmidt received a Bachelor of Music Education and a Master of Arts in Teaching from Westminster Choir College in 2008.



Dr. Jason C. Tramm who celebrates his 9th season as Director of Music Ministries at the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, is recognized as one of the most dynamic young conductors on the podium today. He has been hailed by critics and audiences alike for his work in the sacred, operatic and symphonic realms. His 2008 broadcast of Verdi's Requiem, shot in the Great Auditorium was nominated for an Emmy Award and aired on NJN. He has also appeared on two National Public Radio broadcasts with organ virtuoso, Gordon Turk and large orchestra. Dr. Tramm also serves as the Director of Choral Activities at Seton Hall University, where he director two choirs, conducts the University Orchestra, teaches voice and teaches classes in conducting and music education. Frequently engaged as a guest conductor, Dr. Tramm has led operatic and symphonic performances in six countries and the throughout the US. He also serves as Artistic Director of the MidAtlantic Opera Company with whom he will make his Carnegie Hall debut on October 17, 2015. Sacred music has always held a special place in his heart, beginning as a boy soprano soloist at age six at St. Thomas Lutheran Church in West Nyack, NY Dr. Tramm and his four children are proud to call Ocean Grove home for the summer months.



Marcello Velame in his 17th year tenure at First Presbyterian Church in Manasquan, has conducted major choral and orchestral works, both in and outside the church. He has also prepared choral works such as Beethoven Mass in C for performances at Carnegie Hall, and conducted the Royal Symphony in Toronto, was awarded the Alexander McCurdy Organ Scholarship while getting his education degree at Westminster Choir College, and conducted the ALLEGRO! chorus in performances in several venues in New Jersey. Marcello is also a music teacher at Shark River Elementary School.



Trumpets
Tom Boulton
Alex Rensink
Leah Garber

Horn Bryan Meyer Trombone Noreen Baer Matt Walley **Tuba** Alan Baer Timpani /Percussion James Musto III



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Fair Lawn, NJ
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West Orange, NJ
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Manahawkin UMC, Manahawkin, NJ

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St. Paul Lutheran Church, Flemington, NJ St. Paul's UMC, Ocean Grove, NJ St. Paul's UMC, Staten Island, NY St. Peter's Church, Pt. Pleasant, NJ 08742 St. Peter's UMC, Saylorsburg, PA St. Theresa Catholic Church, Little Egg Harbor, NJ St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church, Brick, NJ Sussex Christian Reformed Church, Sussex, NJ Sussex Co. Oratorio Society, Newton, NJ The Church in Brielle, Brielle, NJ The Church at Hemlock Farms. Lords Valley, PA The Episcopal Church of the Atonement, Fair Lawn, NJ The Island Singers, Forked River, NJ The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell, NJ The Presbyterian Church On The Hill, Ocean NI The Presbyterian Church of Toms River, Toms River, NJ The Reformed Church of Bronxville, NY The Sanctuary of The Reformed Church of North Brunswick, North Brunswick, NJ The Women's Club of Brielle, Brielle, NJ Trinity Boscobel UMC, Buchanan, NY Trinity Episcopal Church, Asbury Park, NJ Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Topton, PA Trinity Lutheran Church, Colebrook, PA United Christian Church, Lebanon, PA United First Presbyterian Church of Amwell, Ringoes, NJ Valley Forge Baptist, Valley Forge, PA Valley Forge UMC, Valley Forge, PA Verona UMC, Verona, NJ Village Lutheran Church, Lanoka Harbor, NJ Vincent UMC, Nutley, NJ Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church, North Plainfield, NJ Wayne Presbyterian Church, Wayne, PA West Side Presbyterian Church, Ridgewood, NJ Whiting UMC, Whiting, NJ Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, East Petersburg, PA

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