

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

Patriotic ★ POPS

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHANCEL CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

With Guest Soloist Jonathan Blanchard

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2012

“It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor.”

GEORGE WASHINGTON

“The Christian religion is, above all the religions that ever prevailed or existed in ancient or modern times, the religion of wisdom, virtue, equity and humanity.”

JOHN ADAMS

“If we ever forget that we’re one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under.”

RONALD REAGAN

“It is necessary for the welfare of the nation that men’s lives be based on the principles of the Bible. No man, educated or uneducated, can afford to be ignorant of the Bible.”

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Dear Church Family and Guests,



Welcome to the annual Patriotic Pops Concert! We are honored to have the U.S. Navy Color Guard and well known baritone Jonathan Blanchard singing with our Chancel Choir and Memphis Symphony Orchestra members to celebrate America and her music.

For those of you who are visiting, we especially welcome you to our sanctuary and hope that you will feel at home and that you will be blessed and encouraged by this concert. We invite you to visit our

Welcome Center in the connector, west of the Sanctuary, so that our pastors will have the opportunity to welcome you personally. We also hope that you will note our 2012-2013 Music Ministries schedule of events located in the back of your program to invite a friend and attend a future event or worship service here at Second Presbyterian Church. If you would like more information about our church, you may fill out one of the cards located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate later this evening.

Our goal tonight is not only to celebrate America and her music, but also to give thanks to Almighty God, who has blessed our nation with the incredible freedoms that we all share. As we celebrate the heritage and culture of our country through music that is distinctly American, we hope that you will enjoy the patriotic favorites as well as the great music that celebrates our own Mississippi River. We pray that the Holy Spirit will use the messages carried by this wonderful music to prompt you to praise and give thanks to God for all His blessings as we sing together tonight.

In Christ,



Dr. Gabriel C. Statom
Director of Music

Patriotic ★ P O P S

JUNE 27, 2012 AT 6:30 PM

The Chancel Choir and Orchestra of Second Presbyterian Church
DR. GABRIEL STATOM, *Director* and JONATHAN BLANCHARD, *Baritone*

Welcome to tonight's celebration of America, her music and her culture. Please take a moment to turn off your cell phone so that all may enjoy the concert without interruption. The bold print in our program indicates that the congregation should sing along with the choir, so please stand and join in singing when directed.

WELCOME AND INVOCATION.....Rev. Sanders L. Willson

*PRESENTATION OF COLORS

*OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM The Star-Spangled Banner
words by Francis Scott Key

**O, say can you see, by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming;
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
O, say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?**

**O thus be it e'er, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation!
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land
Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto, "In God we trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

A Celebration of American Culture

* *Thanksgiving for America*

AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL..... Samuel Ward/arr. Frink

**O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain.
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.**

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America, America! May God thy gold refine,
'Til all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

**O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America, America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.**

SONGS OF THE RIVER

OL' MAN RIVER (from *Showboat*)Jerome Kern

DEEP RIVER..... arr. Moses Hogan

PEACE LIKE A RIVER..... arr. Mack Wilberg

AT THE RIVER..... Aaron Copland

SONGS OF THE SPIRIT

BREAK BREADarr. Jonathan Blanchard

GO DOWN MOSESarr. Jonathan Blanchard

A Celebration of American Freedom & Justice

SONGS OF FREEDOM

KING COTTON MARCH John Philip Sousa
The offering collected this evening will be used to support the ongoing ministry of Second Presbyterian's music department and to ensure future events such as this one.

ARMED FORCES SALUTE arr. Joyce Eilers
*Please stand when the anthem for your branch of the service is played.
If you are the spouse of one who served in that branch of service,
but is no longer living, please stand to honor him or her at this time.*

U. S. ARMY

**Over hill, over dale, we have hit the dusty trail as those Caissons go rolling along.
Counter march, right about, hear those wagon soldiers shout, while those
Caissons go rolling along.
For it's Hi! Hi! Hee! In the Field Artillery. Call off your numbers loud and strong.
And where e'er we go, you will always know that those Caissons are rolling along.**

U. S. COAST GUARD

**We're always ready for the call, we place our trust in Thee.
Through surf and storm and howling gale, high shall our purpose be.
Semper paratus is our guide, our fame and glory too.
To fight, to save, or fight and die. Aye! Coast Guard, we're all for you!**

U. S. MARINE CORPS

**From the halls of Montezuma, to the shores of Tripoli
We fight our country's battles, in the air, on land and sea.
First we'll fight for right and freedom, and to keep our honor clean.
We are proud to claim the title of "United States Marine."**

U. S. Air Force

**Off we go into the wild blue yonder, climbing high into the sun;
Here they come, zooming to meet our thunder, at 'em boys, give 'er the gun.
Down we dive, spouting our flame from under, off with one heck of a roar!
We live in fame or go down in flame! Nothing can stop the U.S. Air Force.**

U. S. Navy

**Anchors aweigh, my boys, anchors aweigh.
Farewell to college joys, we sail at the break of day, day, day, day.
Through our last night on shore, drink to the foam.
Until we meet once more, here's wishing you a happy voyage home.**

MANSIONS OF THE LORD (from *We Were Soldiers*)Nick Glennie-Smith
text by Randall Wallace

To fallen soldiers, let us sing,
Where no rockets fly or bullets wing
Our broken brothers let us bring
To the Mansions of the Lord.

No more bleeding, no more fight
No prayers pleading through the night,
Just divine embrace, eternal light
In the Mansions of the Lord.

Where no mothers cry and no children weep
We will stand and guard though the angels sleep
All through the ages safely keep
The Mansions of the Lord.

HYMN TO THE FALLEN (from *Saving Private Ryan*) John Williams

SONGS OF JUSTICE

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC arr. Peter Wilhousky

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord:
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword:
His truth is marching on.

Glory! Glory Hallelujah! Glory, Glory Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps,
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence in the dim and flaring lamps:
His day is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me:
As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on.

Glory! Glory Hallelujah! Glory, Glory Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

*GOD BLESS AMERICA.....Irving Berlin/arr. Roy Ringold

Please stand and join the choir in singing when directed.

While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,
Let us swear allegiance to a land that's free,
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair,
As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer.

**God bless America, land that I love,
Stand beside her and guide her through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies, to the oceans white with foam:
God bless America, my home sweet home! God bless America,
my home sweet home!**

*RETIRING OF THE COLORS

*BENEDICTION

Our Special Guests

U.S. NAVY COLOR GUARD

We welcome tonight's color guard from Naval Support Activity Mid-South in Millington: SW1 Lowe; LS2 Bernard; RP2 Nelson; SH3 Clifton.



JONATHAN BLANCHARD

Possessing a voice comparable in depth and richness to the great Paul Robeson, Blanchard, in the spiritual tradition of an ancient Afrikan Griot, creates music that allows his deep, soulfully rich voice to blend naturally with his compelling dramatic instinct. He movingly conveys the poignant words and melodies of the Negro Spiritual, and his unique style offers great variety at any musical venue.

Blanchard's artistic tastes were first forged in grade school. But by the time he entered high school, his artistic curiosity had led him to sing in various choruses and to act in a number of community theatre productions. While completing a B.S. in Commercial Music and an M. S. in Music Education, from Tennessee State University, Jonathan learned to weave the various elements of his artistic nature into his magnetic style of delivery. His artistry spans the Jazz Bistro & Concert Hall venues. His stage credits include roles that are diverse as The Priest in "Your Arms Too Short to Box with God," to the Lion in "The Wiz". He has appeared as an extra in several movie block-busters, done voice-over work for local and national concerns, and appeared on Memphis WREG's Live At 9 program. He has been the featured singing artist on the PBS film, "Underground Railroad – Quilt Code" for Georgia Public Broadcast. Blanchard has also presented concerts, master classes, and demonstrations where his musical insights have captivated the imaginations of grade school, high school, and college students alike. In conjunction with Opera Memphis's Educational Outreach Program, Black Roots in Opera, Blanchard toured throughout Tennessee's major metropolitan areas to help celebrate the Life & Artistry of Paul Robeson.

Blanchard's operatic credits include affiliations with Opera Memphis and AmeriColor Opera Alliance Guild of Atlanta. He appeared in the title role of "Solomon," in the production The Seduction of King Solomon, a work written especially for him by critically acclaimed composer Sharon Willis. Blanchard toured North Dakota as York in Corp of Discovery, an opera about the Lewis and Clark expedition written by Michael Ching, Artistic Director at Opera Memphis.

We would like to thank the following members for their support of our Patriotic Pops concert and helping sponsor our guest artist: Jane Williams, Mary and Jimmy Edwards, Bob and Charlotte Neal, Honey Cannon, Dr. Allen and Janis Boyd, and Esther Pearson.

The Chancel Choir

David Adams
Donna Ammons
John Beckham
Jerry Bowman
Marjorie Bowman
Suzanne Burgar
Maria Burke
Jim Cantrell
Linda Cantrell
Orgeny Carroll
Jim Corbitt
Pat Corbitt
Chuck Curtis
Sarah Curtis
Pam Dennis
Mary Edwards
Roger Fakes
Fred Flinn
Mary Lawrence Flinn
Jeanine Forbes

Sallie Foster
Bob Green
Sharon Green
Kathy Hammond
Jerry Harmon
Lorinda Hill
Martha Hopper
Eddie Jacobs
Julia Jacobson
Rena Jirack
Betty Lu Jones
Warren Jones
Carol Kirby
Harold Knight
Milton Knowlton
Jason Kyle
Ceci Madrid
Hite McLean
Colby Morgan
Jo Myhr

Charlotte Neal
Bob Oliver
Carol Overcast
Haley Overcast
Ruth Peach
Anna Pepper
Justin Pepper
Kackie Person
Tom Person
Annie Petzinger
Virginia Pilcher
Gay Rhodes
Barbara Ruff
Brian Schneider
Andrew Sharpe
Catherine Sharpe
Warren Sisman
Lavinia Skinner
Ginger Statom
Dottie Stout

Nicole Swaim
Robert Sutton
Karen Taylor
Lauren Theil
Terri Theil
Anne Thompson
Mimi Vestal
Elizabeth Wall
Lee Wallace
Susan Warner
BJ Webster
Andy Wells
Carolyn Wells
Dan Whipple
Nancy Wiggs
Tucker Williams
Christy Young
Keith Young

The Orchestra

VIOLIN 1
Paul Turnbow
Marisa Polesky
Heather Trussell
Lenore McIntyre
Rebecca Yu

VIOLIN 2
Wen-Yih You
Libby Armour
Julie Morrison
Amanda Kull

VIOLA
Michelle Walker
Beth Luscombe

CELLO
Iren Zombor
Milena Albrecht
Mary Katherine
Overcash

BASS
Scott Best

FLUTES
Todd Skitch
Charles Lewis

OBOES
Shelly Sublett
Janet Page

CLARINETS
Rena Feller
Nabuko Igarashi

BASSOON
Michael Scott

HORNS
Caroline Kinsey
Robert Patterson
Daniel Vidican

TRUMPETS
Scott Moore
Susan Enger
Michael McKenzie

TROMBONES
Greg Luscombe
Mark Vail

TUBA
Kevin Sanders

PERCUSSION
Ed Murray

TIMPANI
Michael Karcz

HARP
Alicia Guthrie

Dr. Gabriel C. Statom, *Director*
Lenora Morrow, *Accompanist/Organist*
Christy Young, *Assistant Director*
Terri Theil, *Director of Children's Music/Conservatory*
Ginger Statom, *Youth Choir Director*
Mary Quinlan, *Administrative Assistant*
Molly Johnson, *Music Intern*

MUSIC AT SECOND

2012-2013 Calendar of Events

Wednesday, August 1, 15, and 29 at 6:30 pm
Summer Bach Vespers at Second in the Chapel

Sunday, October 7 at 12:15 pm
Organ Demonstration with Lenora Morrow

Sunday, October 28, at 6 pm
Community Reformation Service

Thursday, November 1, at 7pm
Candlelight All Saints' Day Concert in the Chapel

Sunday, December 2 at 6 pm
Annual Hanging of the Green Service

Sunday, December 9 at 6 pm
Advent Choral Evensong: Carols from Europe

Sunday, December 16, at 6 pm
Festival of Carols

Sunday, December 23 at 8:15 and 11 am
Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Friday, February 15 at 7:30 pm
Memphis Masterworks Chorale presents Brahms' Ein
Deutsch Requiem

Sunday, March 3 (Time TBA)
Annual Children's and Youth Choir Concert

Friday, March 8 at 7 pm
Lenten Organ Concert

Friday, March 15 at 7 pm
Lenten Concert presented by Laudis Domini Ensemble
in the Chapel

Wednesday, May 29 at 5 pm
Old Fashioned Hymn Sing and Potluck Dinner in
Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 26 at 6pm
Patriotic Pops Concert

All events are held in the sanctuary of Second Presbyterian Church unless otherwise stated.



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