

THE Chapel Bell

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We have four outstanding concerts coming up in the next few months, and I've been given the top of this week's Chapel Bell to tell you about them. Each concert promises to be outstanding and I know you'll want to mark your calendars now so you don't miss anything!

Sunday, February 16 at 3:00 p.m.—In Their Own Words: Slave Life and the Power of Spirituals
Dr. Eileen Guenther, Presenter and Designer, Marliisa Hudson, Soprano Soloist, Ladue Chapel Choir

This presentation is based on Eileen Guenther's book tracing the heart of the Spiritual and using this music to tell the story of slavery in the United States. In this program the Spirituals are combined with two other primary sources: narratives written by those enslaved and interviews given by former slaves in the 1930s. Dr. Guenther recently retired as Professor of Church Music at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC and served 16 years as national president of the American Guild of Organists.



It is a thrill to welcome back soprano Marliisa Hudson to Ladue Chapel to participate in this concert! Marliisa is a St. Louis native and began singing at Cote Brillante Presbyterian Church. After her professional studies, Marliisa is now also based in Washington, DC. Some of Marliisa's solos include "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands," "Deep River," "Give Me Jesus," and "Witness."

Our Ladue Chapel Choir will also be participating in the concert, singing "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" and "Ain-a That Good News." The audience will be invited to join in singing several Spirituals also.

Wednesday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m.—The Wooster Chorus in Concert
The College of Wooster, Dr. Lisa Wong, Conductor

The 70-voice Wooster Chorus will sing a entitled I Hope, featuring works by 21st-century American composers. The College of Wooster is one of our preeminent PC/USA colleges; our own Andrew Peacock is finishing his senior year at Wooster and will be singing in this concert. We will be responsible for providing overnight homestays (after the concert) and breakfast for the singers. If you can host, please contact me or Anne Peacock. At this point we have volunteers for about half of the singers, so we still need your help!

Sunday, April 5 at 3:00 p.m.—The St. John Passion by Bob Chilcott
Ladue Chapel Choir, Soloists and Chamber Orchestra

On Palm Sunday afternoon, our choir will be presenting a substantial new work, the St. John Passion by Bob Chilcott. This oratorio tells the story of Christ's trial and crucifixion using the text from John's gospel. As in the great passion settings by JS Bach, the story is narrated by a tenor Evangelist; other soloists portray the characters in the story. The choir serves as the crowd, as a group of soldiers, and sings four meditations that punctuate various points in the drama. Chilcott has also written five hymns for the congregation to sing. We are thrilled to present what we believe to be the Missouri premiere of this work!

Sunday, April 26 at 3:00 p.m.—Bach Society of Saint Louis Young Artist Showcase

We are excited to host the Young Artist Showcase of the Bach Society of St. Louis! This is a free event in the Bach Society's 2020 Bach Festival. Please visit www.bachsociety.org for more information.

CHANGE IN SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE - MARCH 1

At its December meeting, the Session approved a TRIAL change in our Sunday morning worship and education schedule. A representative task force spent three months evaluating the suggestions offered in the Holy Cow Questionnaire and the 21 Community Conversations held by the Pastor Nominating Committee. Much thought was given to the concerns of younger families, who find the timing of our current Children's Church School and Worship services difficult for family schedules. The new trial schedule will begin on March 1st, and will continue until the first Sunday of June (when our single summer service will resume at 10am). This change will be evaluated during the summer of 2020.

New Trial Sunday Schedule: March 1st - May 31st

8:15 - Worship (45 minutes, no Good Shepherd, no Children's Message)

9:15 Adult Education, Intergenerational, experiential educational experience - ungraded - for all children

10:30 Worship Service with choir, Children's Church School (pre K through 5th grade)

4:30 - 6:30 - Education and Fellowship for Middle School and High School Youth

Details and more information will be coming, as plans for this change are finalized.

-Sunday Schedule Task Force Members: Ted Peachee, Ralph Grimm, Anne Duncan, John Spencer, Bary Rudert, Julie Cobaugh, Elizabeth Thompson, Dieter Heinzl, Mel Smith, Courtney Chandler, David Erwin, Susan Andrews

Adult Education Session V

- Arts – *Imaging Women from the Bible in Western Art* led by Edie Tashman in Gulick Room; Religion – *What is political theology and why you should care?* led by Ruben Rosario Rodriguez in Leutwiler Room; Contemporary Issues – *And the Rivers Run Through It: our rivers, our impact and their future* led by Patrick Osborne in Fireside Room; Personal Growth – Medical Month – in Mellow Library, Feb. 9 *Chronic kidney disease - the silent killer: how well do you know your kidneys?* led by Dr. Patricia Theodos, nephrologist affiliated with Barnes-Jewish Hospital; Feb. 16 led by Dr. Richard Rames, reconstructive orthopedic surgery specialist; Feb. 23 led by Dr. Jill Powell, who specializes in pediatric/adolescent gynecology.

More from your PNC

On January 29, the PNC met with the Session and Deacons to discuss the Mission Study, which summarizes what you said in the Holy Cow! survey and Community Conversations. We discussed the Mission Information Form, which prospective candidates will see first as they consider applying for our Pastor/Head of Staff. We have good news to report: The Mission Study is complete, final, and approved by Session; and the Mission Information Form is complete, final, and approved by Session! SO, WHAT'S NEXT?? The PNC will submit these to Presbytery's committee for their approval and, very immediately after, will post the Ministry Information Form on the PCUSA website at which time your PNC will begin receiving applications! It has taken a tremendous amount of work to get here, but we are on schedule. Stay tuned for future updates!

Cares & Concerns

Recently Hospitalized or Recovering at Home: Tom Grass, Darlene Roland

We offer our Christian love and sympathy to Carol and her family and friends on the death of her husband, Don Carlson, who died and entered the Church Triumphant on January 30, 2020. A service will be held on Saturday, February 15, at 11:00 a.m., in the Sanctuary with a reception to follow. We have established a memorial in Don's name. Gifts can be made to the Ladue Chapel Don Carlson Memorial.

A military service will be held at Jefferson Barracks on February 28, at 11:00 a.m., for Paul Vaporean. Gifts to the church may be made in memory of Paul. Checks should be made payable to Ladue Chapel, with the memo "IMO Paul Vaporean."

JOYS AND CELEBRATIONS

The pink rose celebrates the birth of Willa Crawford Hake on January 29, 2020, to Meredith and Tyler Hake. Proud grandparents are Robin and Mark Crawford.

Chili Lunch

The Men's Fellowship invites you to our second annual chili Lunch! Join us after the late service on **February 23** in Fellowship Hall to taste many different kinds of chili. Cost is \$10 per person (Age 9 and under are free). In lie of paying, you are welcome to share you own chili (please email Steve Peacock steviep65@icloud.com). RSVP through the church office.



Bridge Bread– New Date!

Bridge Bread will now be available on the second Sunday of the month. Bridge Bread baked goods (dinner rolls, cinnamon rolls, bread, brownies, sweet rolls, and bagels) will be for sale in the Gathering Place after worship on **Sunday, February 9**. Bridge Bread is a doorway to a more substantial future for those experiencing homelessness by giving individuals a job and a purpose. Ladue Chapel is joining together with 60 area churches and supporting the work of Bridge Bread by selling their baked goods.



Lenten Breakfast Series

The Men's Fellowship Committee is pleased to announce the Lenten Breakfast Series! Fridays, February 28 – Good Friday, April 10 in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome! The morning begins with coffee at 7:30 a.m., breakfast at 7:45 a.m., and the speaker for that day at 8:10 a.m. A line-up of speakers will be announced soon. The cost is \$10 per person. Save the dates and be sure to join us!



Wooster Chorus in Concert – Wednesday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m.

The Wooster Chorus, from the College of Wooster in Ohio, one of our leading PC/USA colleges, will present a concert in our sanctuary on **Wednesday, March 18** at 7:00 p.m. One of the featured singers is senior Andrew Peacock, from Ladue Chapel. (Andrew was heard recently as one of the kings on Epiphany Sunday). We have been asked to provide overnight housing for the 70 singers, so if you can host some singers, please contact David Erwin or Anne Peacock.



THANK YOU Ladue Chapel - 240 Clean Up Buckets were shipped to PDA!

Thank you for donating your treasure to buy the supplies and your time to pack the buckets and the truck! The 240 Clean Up buckets have been shipped to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance warehouse in Arkansas to be ready for the next disaster. Someone just this week told us they experienced a flood in the past and when they received a similar clean up bucket, it was a very welcome boost of hope! This is our 7th year and YOU made it happen!



Fish Fry Friday!

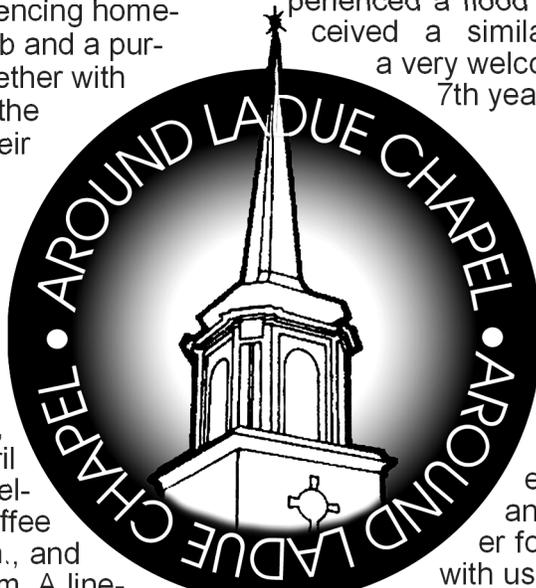
Redirecting the venerable reformed Lenten tradition, your Men's Fellowship announces a "premiere" for Ladue Chapel: Lenten BBQ!! Join us on **Friday, March 6** between 5-7:00 p.m., as we grill hamburgers, sausages, hot dogs, brats, and vegetables! There will be other food as well. Come and have fun with us! Cost is \$10/person (age 9 and under are free). RSVP through the church office.

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Women's Book Club

Beginning in February, the Ladue Chapel Women's Book Club will meet on the second Monday of the month. If you are a woman interested in reading and discussing the book selections, please join us! Check the Women's Association's bulletin board for information and additional opportunities. Flyers with future reading will be available there as well. Future Book Club Meetings: Feb. 10 - This Tender Land, by William Kent Krueger; Mar. 9 – The Girl from Berlin, by Ronald H. Balson; Apr. 13 – Virgil Wander, by Leif Enger; and May 11 – The Nickel Boys, by Colson Whitehead.



Ladue Chapel Nursery School—We are gearing up for the 2020-2021 school year at Ladue Chapel Nursery School. Please see the website for more information or call Karen at 993-3993.

Ladue Chapel PDO— Play Day Out is now accepting enrollment for our 2020 Fall classes. PDO provides environments where two and three year olds can learn and grow through play, peer interaction, and hands on activities. We encourage children to build social skills while fostering creativity and self-expression. We have MWF and TTh class options from 9:00-1:30. Let PDO be an experience your child excitedly anticipates! Schedule a tour today with Terry Schlueter at (314) 993-2429 or pdo@laduechapel.org. Handbooks and registration cards are available in the Gathering Place and on the church's website.



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**Sunday, February 9
Worship Services at 8:30 &
11:00 a.m.**

Scriptures

Isa. 58:1-9a (9b-12); Ps. 112:1-9 (10); 1 Cor. 2:1-12 (13-16); Matt. 5:13-20

Music Ministry

At both services, Chapel Ringers will play "The Blessing" and "Rondo Giocoso."

At 11:00, Carol Choir will sing "Ubi Caritas" by Becki Slagle Mayo, and Chancel Choir will sing "And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth" from Mendelssohn's *Elijah*.

**SPECIAL CONCERT
DETAILS INSIDE!**

**In Their Own Words Concert – Sunday, February 16 at
3:00 p.m.**

"The Power of Spirituals" is an interactive event based on Eileen Guenther's recently-published book *In Their Own Words: Slave Life and the Power of Spirituals*. In this program Guenther, a graduate of Kirkwood High School, combines first-person narratives from books written by those formerly enslaved, interviews conducted with them in the 1930s and her own commentary. These narratives are interwoven with the singing of



spirituals by guest soprano and St. Louis native Marliisa Hudson, our Ladue Chapel Choir, and the audience. Included on the program will be several familiar spirituals, including *Witness, I Want Jesus to Walk with Me, He's Got the Whole World in His Hands, and Steal Away*.

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