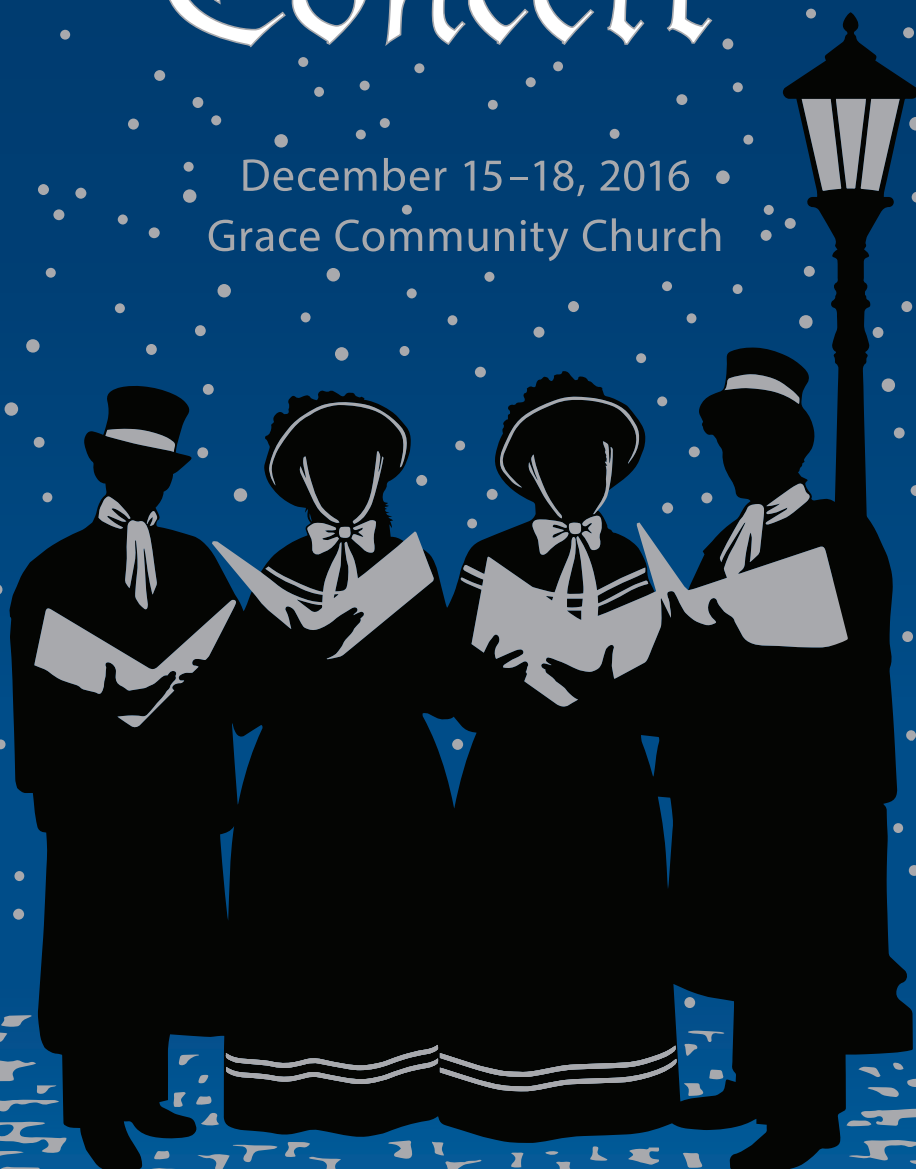


Christmas Concert

December 15–18, 2016
Grace Community Church



Concert

Good Christian Men, Rejoice Traditional German Carol
Orchestral Overture; Stephen Sturz, organist arr. Mark Rice

Gloria David Hamilton
Worship Choir

Good News Natalie Sleeth
Children's Choir; Kellie Cunningham, director arr. Mark Rice

One Child Mariah Carey, Marc Shaiman
John & Lisa Martin, Worship Choir arr. Mark McClure; orch. Carl Marsh
Children's Choir; Kellie Cunningham, director

Koyunbaba ("The Shepherd") Carlo Domeniconi
Christopher Parkening

I Wonder as I Wander Traditional Appalachian Carol
Jubilant Sykes, Christopher Parkening John Jacob Niles; arr. Patrick Russ

Mary, Did You Know? Mark Lowry, Buddy Greene
Jubilant Sykes arr. Mark Rice

Carol of the Bells M. Leontovich
Handbell Choir; Sharon Devol, director arr. Peter J. Wilhousky

Go, Tell It on the Mountain Traditional Spiritual
Christian Ebner, Ensemble Sine Nomine arr. Morris Chapman, Mark Rice

Alleluia (from Exsultate Jubilate) W. A. Mozart
Carmella Jones

End of the Beginning David Phelps
James Phillipps, Worship Choir arr. Cliff Duren

Sing We Now of Christmas Traditional French carol
Worship Choir arr. Mark Hayes

When He Comes Again Rebecca J. Peck
Diane Brown, Worship Choir arr. Cliff Duren

Welcome and Offering

Christ Is Born Steve Amerson, Lavon Gray, Giacomo Puccini
Philip Webb, Worship Choir arr. Cliff Duren

O Come, All Ye Faithful John Francis Wade
Joyful Sound

Tidings of Comfort and Joy Traditional Carols
Worship Choir, Joyful Sound arr. David T. Clydesdale

Joy to the World! Isaac Watts, George F. Handel
Worship Choir, Congregation arr. Ronn Huff

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Liturgy of St. James;
Men of Grace Traditional French Folk Tune;
arr. Craig Courtney

Sweet Little Jesus Boy Robert MacGimsey
Grace Chung arr. Bruce Greer

O Holy Night John S. Dwight, Adolphe Adam
Philip Webb, Worship Choir arr. & orch. Bob Krogstad

The Christmas Story

Hallelujah! George F. Handel
Worship Choir

Benediction

How Great Our Joy! Traditional German Tune
Organ Postlude arr. Stephen Sturz

Orchestra

VIOLIN

Gail Acosta
Concertmistress
Nadean Charonnat
Michael Ferril
Matthias Rykert
Ron Clark
Elijah Lee
Eric Lan
Shawn Cai

VIOLA

Carole Castillo
Helen Crosby
Laura Jesson
Robert Berg

CELLO

Cathy Biagini
Beryl Canale
Jenna Ford
John Krovoza

STRING BASS

James Bergman

HARP

Jane Ferruzzo

GUITAR

Nick Brown

ELECTRIC BASS

Paul Morin

DRUMS

Tom Drake

PIANO

Mark Rice

TRUMPET

Adrian Miller
Mark Wamhoff
Roger Mason

FRENCH HORN

Martin Rhees
Shirley Mollica
Nathan Campbell

TROMBONE

John Grab
Matthew Fleming
Les Benedict

TUBA

Ross DeRoche

PERCUSSION

Tom Drake
Tyler Smith
Manuel Calzada
Darryl Ball

FLUTE

Paulie Davis
Suzanne Feland

OBOE

Victoria Sabonjohn

CLARINET

Beth Garon

Worship Choir

SOPRANO

Barbara Audet
Deborah Beebe
Mirta Bondarczuk
Lisa Burns
Victoria Chua
Grace Chung
Carol Clarke
Elizabeth Claasen
Karin Dahmen
Carol Dalrymple
Janice Dandurand
Traci Evans
Margo Ewing
Tricia Fuhrman
Harriet Furuya
Vicki Griffin
Sara Heisler
Priscilla Lan
Kathleen Lehman
Alice Liang
Kay Lin
Gay McCurley
Celena McMahon
Margie Montell
Frances Pampeyan
Helen Salonga
Julie Sandfrey
Shirley Shaffer
Andrea Smith

Grace Somontina

Tina Ugalde

Lisa Valdez

Maegan Valdez

Marva Washington

Jane Weber

Lidia Wlasiuk

ALTO

Lou Ann Amodeo

Kathy Belden

Rachel Brandenstein

Thalia Brandt

Debra Cargo

Rachel Chua

Lorelei Cork

Kathy Crawford

Gail DeBurgh

Sharon Devol

Bonnie Grindley

Jan Hanson

Cristina Hernandez

Jaz Hoffman

Deanne Hritz

Margie Jesson

Leslie LaMunyan-Elder

Gigi Leviste

Barbara Lowman

Ida Mak

Barbara McCrory

Donna Miller

Katie Moody

Margaret Nackos

Cheryl Norman

Judy Pieper

Michele Platt

Sharon Secor

Grace Shim

Donna Shin

Ludovica Tessitore

Janet Waters

Jeanne Wells

Marilyn Wendler

Kimberly Whitman

TENOR

Ray Adams

Robert Bennett

James Chung

John Eickemeyer

Philip Haw

Gamaliel Jacinto

Doug Jesson

Donald Lopez

John Pearson

Trevor Schneeberger

Shane Schultz

Elmer Serquina

Kevin Stulp

Jim Van Winkle

Dave Wrobbel

Joshua Wu

BARITONE/BASS

Steven Batesole

Mike Bohlen

Steve Bondarczuk

William Brandenstein

Fred Bryarly

Ken Furuya

John Harris

John Hritz

Rudell Jacinto

John Kim

Ron Klint

Edward Lan

Jojo Leviste

Toh-Bin Lim

Eric Mak

Dale Miller

David Paucar

Philip Tan

Gilbert Tsao

Andrew Valdez

Mark Vischer

REHEARSAL

PIANISTS

Margo Ewing
Jan Sanborn
Edward Lan

Handbell Choir

Sharon Devol
Director

Katie Moody
Gail DeBurgh

Sharon Secor
Suzanne Feland
Marva Washington
Barbara Lowman

Gay McCurley
Shirley Mollica
Michele Platt
Jeanne Wells

Andrew Valdez
John Eickemeyer

Children's Choir

Kellie Cunningham <i>Director</i>	Isaac Erazo	Sean Kim	Elijah Rojas
Emma Azizian	Daved Essavi	Audrey Lang	Elizabeth Santana
Hannah Azizian	Gwenyth Fisk	Joshua Lee	Katelynn Santana
Abby Busenitz	Hazel Fleig	Lacey Lennington	Rinelle Serquina
Eliana Butler	Rose Garrett	Callan Lennington	Valerie Sigler
Emily Canham	Yuri Gumatay	Daniel Lim	Daniel Sisay
Caleb Canham	Kate Gunning	David Lim	Samantha Swanson
Macie Carpenter	Sean Gunning	Miguel Medina	Johann Tan
Mikyla Casino	Galilee Havana	Santiago Medrano	Samantha Taylor
Ella Chung	Magdalena Havana	Daniel Merino	Sienna Tolopilo
Joshua Chung	Matthew Hernandez	Joseph Ng	Emmie Torres
Olympia Corral	Patrick Hernandez	Genesis Palencia	Mahalia Verano
Benedetta Daugereau	Summer Hernandez	Sean Platt	Maritsa Verano
Joelle De Villiers	Megan Hoffman	Audrey Prinzing	Micah Verano
Julia Dougherty	Silas Hughes	Jessica Prykhitko	Niaceli Vital
Lauren Dougherty	Hannah Ignacio	Samuel Ravoahangy	Jane Watkins
Adeline Duncan	Luke Ives	Elizabeth Rodriguez	Andrew Webberley
Ella Duncan	Skylar Johnson	Emma Rodriguez	Kristen Webberly
Naomi Elias	Brittan Johnson	Matthew Rodriguez	Michael Webberley
	Audrey Kim	Acacia Rojas	Ethan Yule

Ensemble Sine Nomine

Brittany Anderson	Chelsea Enloe	Michele Platt	James Phillipps
Sara DiSalvo	Lisa Martin	John Martin	Elmer Serquina
Jaz Hoffman			

Joyful Sound

Gay McCurley	Sharon Devol	Robert Bennett	Andrew Valdez
Celena McMahon	Jaz Hoffman	Elmer Serquina	Darren Wiebe
Maegan Valdez	Michele Platt	Scott Morsch	William Brandenstein

Men of Grace

John Martin	James Phillipps	Darren Wiebe	Edward Lan
Robert Bennett	Christian Ebner	Andrew Valdez	Jojo Leviste
Elmer Serquina	Scott Morsch	Corey Fleig	William Brandenstein

Interpreters for the Deaf

(Sunday only)

Laura Agajanian	Julie Casaccia	Tari Kelley	K.C. Sellarole
Cambria Casaccia	Lindsay Cork	Natalie Mouron	Melissa Smith

Staging

SOUND

Kevin Ford
Alex Yee
Bill Brandenstein

LIGHTING

Ted Lehman
Peter Haverlation
Felix Camarillo

DECORATIONS

Morgan Hughes
Gary Van Treese

Church Staff

John MacArthur <i>Pastor-Teacher</i>	Bill Brandenstein <i>Assistant Minister of Worship</i>	Sharon Devol <i>Administrative Assistant</i>	Kevin Ford <i>Director of Audio Visual Technologies</i>
Clayton Erb <i>Minister of Worship</i>	Mark Rice <i>Assistant to the Minister of Worship</i>	Stephen Sturz <i>Organist</i>	

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The True Meaning of Christmas

We hope you enjoy this concert of praise celebrating the marvelous birth of Jesus Christ, who is the Savior of mankind and the true meaning of Christmas. More importantly, we hope you know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Being a Christian is more than identifying yourself with a particular religion or affirming a certain value system. Being a Christian means you have embraced what the Bible says about God, mankind, and salvation. Consider the following truths found in the Bible.

God Is Sovereign Creator. Contemporary thinking says man is the product of evolution. But the Bible says we were created by a personal God to love, serve, and enjoy endless fellowship with Him. The New Testament reveals it was Jesus Himself who created everything (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16). Therefore, He also owns and rules everything (Psalm 103:19). That means He has authority over our lives and we owe Him absolute allegiance, obedience, and worship.

God Is Holy. God is absolutely and perfectly holy (Isaiah 6:3); therefore He cannot commit or approve of evil (James 1:13). God requires holiness of us as well. First Peter 1:16 says, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

Mankind Is Sinful. According to Scripture, everyone is guilty of sin: “There is no man who does not sin” (1 Kings 8:46). That doesn’t mean we’re incapable of performing acts of human kindness. But we’re utterly incapable of understanding, loving, or pleasing God on our own (Romans 3:10–12).

Sin Demands a Penalty. God’s holiness and justice demand that all sin be punished by death (Ezekiel 18:4). That’s why simply changing our patterns of behavior can’t solve our sin problem or eliminate its consequences.

Jesus Is Lord and Savior. Romans 10:9 says, “If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved.” Even though God’s justice demands death for sin, His love has provided a Savior who paid the penalty and died for sinners (1 Peter 3:18). Christ’s death satisfied the demands of God’s justice, and Christ’s perfect life satisfied the demands of God’s holiness (2 Corinthians 5:21), thereby enabling Him to forgive and save those who place their faith in Him (Romans 3:26).

The Character of Saving Faith. True faith is always accompanied by repentance from sin. Repentance is agreeing with God that you are sinful, confessing your sins to Him, and making a conscious choice to turn from sin (Luke 13:3, 5; 1 Thessalonians 1:9) and pursue Christ (Matthew 11: 28–30; John 17:3) and obedience to Him (1 John 2:3). It isn’t enough to believe certain facts about Christ. Even Satan and his demons believe in the true God (James 2:19), but they don’t love and obey Him. True saving faith always responds in obedience (Ephesians 2:10).

*If you would like to speak to someone about becoming a Christian
or would like to know more about the many ministries at Grace
Community Church, it would be our great joy to speak with you.*

Service Times

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

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