

2024 - 2025

WELCOME



Welcome to the fifth season of Music at St. Luke's, a yearlong series generously supported by the Friends of Music, parishioners, and supporters of St. Luke's Atlanta.

Following a wonderful year celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Alston Memorial Organ, Music at St. Luke's is poised to present exciting and innovative programming this season! We are delighted to continue our ongoing partnership with ensemble vim, a chamber music collective with a mission of bringing awareness to the South's rich cultural landscape, focusing on narratives that have been historically overlooked in the hopes of creating an environment of artistic unity and diversity. We also welcome The Mosaic Quartet as St. Luke's Quartet-in-Residence. This dynamic,

engaging string quartet focuses its energies on performing music by composers of color and other underpresented traditions in the realm of classical music.

Our season includes the 49th Annual Messiah Sing-Along and Lunchtime Live! - a mini-series of informal 30-minute concerts during the season of Advent with lunch from Henri's Bakery following each performance. The St. Luke's Schola and Adult Choir offer monthly Choral Evensong services, preceded by an organ recital by renowned organists from around the U.S. The third Annual St. Luke's Chorister Festival welcomes Mary Wannamaker Huff, who is Artistic Director of the New York City Children's Chorus and Associate Director of Music at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, as this year's guest clinician.

Music at St. Luke's fifth Annual Concert for a Cause features The Merian Ensemble. The ensemble was established in 2018 when five women of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra came together to address the gender imbalance in classical standard repertoire. The Merian

Ensemble performs the abundant repertoire of music composed by women and commissions a new work each year. Their concert will benefit the mission of Returning Her Home. This extraordinary organization aims to build a supportive system around a woman's specific needs and the trauma experienced following incarceration. More information may be found at **returningherhome.org**. The season concludes with an exciting organ recital by the brilliant Korean Organist Yoon-Mi Lim as part of the Atlanta Summer Organ Festival.

These events are made possible through the generosity of music lovers such as you. Please continue to support our artistic offerings with your presence and by joining St. Luke's Friends of Music. I look forward to welcoming you!

Matthew Michael Brown, HonRSCM Director of Music



2024



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 **TIME** 3:15 P.M.



PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL MOSAIC STRING QUARTET MUSIC AT ST. LUKE'S QUARTET-IN-RESIDENCE

Jessica Stinson | Violin Tramaine Jones | Violin Shadwa Mussad | Viola Alana Bennett-Garcia | Cello

Jessie Montgomery | Strum
Rihannon Giddens | At the Purchaser's Option
Florence Price | 5 Folksongs in Counterpoint
Samuel Coleridge-Taylor
Serenade and Dance from Fantasiestücke

Sponsored by The Park at St. Luke's

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 **TIME** 4:00 P.M.



CHORAL EVENSONG SUNG BY THE ADULT CHOIR

Barry Rose | Christ be with you
Harrison Oxley | Preces and Responses
Joanna Forbes L'Estrange
Evening Canticles 'King's College Service'
Herbert Sumsion | They that go down to the sea in ships



The Transfiguration stained glass window at St. Luke's. Willet Stained Glass Studios, 1964. Dedicated to the glory of God and honoring the choirmasters, organists, and choir members who through the years have added great dignity and beauty to the services in this house of worship, by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Harland.



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



ENSEMBLE VIM
MUSIC AT ST. LUKE'S
ENSEMBLE-IN-RESIDENCE

vimmersive/subversive

TJ Anderson | Bridging and Branching Marcos Balter | Strohbass George Crumb | Voice of the Whale Emily Koh | untold (premiere) Marta Ptaszynska | Moon Flowers SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 **TIME** 3:15 P.M.



THE FEAST OF ST. LUKE (OBSERVED)
PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL
THOMAS BARA | ORGAN
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ATLANTA, GA

W.A. Mozart | Fantasia in F minor, K. 608 Herbert Howells | Psalm Prelude (Set I, No. 1) Jehan Alain | Fantasmagorie; Litanies Joel Martinson | Aria on a Chaconne César Franck | Chorale in A minor

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



DAVID BRIGGS, ORGAN
ORGANIST EMERITUS,
GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL, UK
ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE
CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, NEW YORK

J.S. Bach | Toccata and Fugue in F major, BWV 540
Franz Joseph Haydn | Three Pieces for Musical Clocks
César Franck | Chorale in A minor
Marcel Dupré | Fileuse from Suite Bretonne
Peter Tchaikovsky | Two Transcriptions from 'The Nutcracker'
Gustav Mahler
Adagietto from Symphony No. 5; arr. David Briggs
Alexandre Guilmant | Final from Sonata I
Improvisation

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20





CHORAL EVENSONG
SUNG BY THE ADULT CHOIR

Douglas Major | My house shall be a house of prayer
Gerre Hancock | Preces & Responses
George Dyson | Evening Canticles in D
Balfour Gardiner | Evening Hymn





The Alston Memorial Organ was installed in 1963 by Austin Organs, Inc., of Hartford, Conn. The organ was made possible by Mrs. Robert C. Alston in memory of Cara duBignon Alston. During the 1990s, a series of enhancements were made through the generosity of Joseph Tooke Massey, Jr. In 2000, Cornel Zimmer Organ Builders was contracted to refurbish the entire organ and construct a new five-manual chancel console. In 2020, a secondary two-manual console was added to the rear gallery through the generosity of a bequest from the estate of Robert C. Glenn. The organ today contains eight divisions, 90 ranks, and has nearly 5,000 pipes. It is one of the finest organs in the United States and is regularly featured in recital by internationally acclaimed concert artists.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

TIME 4:00 P.M.



HYMN SING

A Collaboration between Ebenezer Baptist Church and St. Luke's Atlanta

Led by Dr. Patrice E. Turner & Matthew Michael Brown





SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

TIME 11:15 A.M. 4:00 P.M.



3RD ANNUAL ST. LUKE'S CHORISTER FESTIVAL MARY WANNAMAKER HUFF GUEST CONDUCTOR

Associate Director of Music, Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York Artistic Director, New York City Children's Chorus

II:15 A.M. | Worship Service • 4:00 P.M. | Choral Evensong

Malcolm Archer | Preces and Responses
Sarah MacDonald | Evening Canticles 'Ely Service'
Margaret Bonds | He's got the whole world in His hand
Paul Halley | Lord of all hopefulness



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

TIME 7:00 P.M.



In Memoriam Sam Hagan (1942-2024)



Benefiting Atlanta Community Food Bank



Clinton Smith | Conductor Adelaide Boedecker | Soprano Deborah Nansteel | Alto Makudu Senaoana | Tenor Calvin Griffin | Bass











FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6





LUNCHTIME LIVE!

Sarah Hawbecker | Organ

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Atlanta, Ga.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

TIME 12:00 P.M.



LUNCHTIME LIVE!
MOSAIC STRING QUARTET

Jessica Stinson | Violin Tramaine Jones | Violin Shadwa Mussad | Viola Alana Bennett-Garcia | Cello

Music at St. Luke's Quartet-In-Residence

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

TIME 4:00 P.M.



ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sarah MacDonald | Advent Responsories
Frank Boles | Adam lay ybounden
Judith Weir | Drop down, ye heavens
Nathaniel Dett | Ave Maria
Craig Phillips | Gabriel's Message
Gerre Hancock | The Lord will surely come

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

TIME 12:00 P.M.



LUNCHTIME LIVE!

Tiffany Uzoije | Soprano **Matthew Michael Brown** | Piano







SUNDAY. **JANUARY 12**

TIME 3:15 P.M.



PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL

R. Walden Moore | Organ New Haven, Connecticut

J.S. Bach | Prelude and Fugue in C minor, BWV 546 Daniel E. Gawthrop | Arioso

Fanny Mendelssohn-Hensel | Prelude in F major, H. 231 Jeanne Demessieux | Choral Paraphrase on Attende Domine Gerre Hancock

Three Cincinnati Improvisations: No. 2 'Grand Isle'

Dan Locklair | ...and call her blessed from Windows of Comfort, Organbook II

César Franck | Pièce Héroïque

SUNDAY. **FEBRUARY 9**

TIME 3:15 P.M.



PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL

Mattilda Middleton | Organ

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Lexington, Ky.

J.S. Bach | Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, BWV 542

Jean-Adam Guilain

Tierce en taille from Suite de deuxième ton

Robert Schumann | Lebhaft, Op. 58, No. 3; Innig, Op. 56, No. 4

Florence Price | Retrospection

Fela Sowande | Go Down, Moses

Maurice Duruflé | Méditation

Maurice Duruflé | Fugue sur le thème du Carillon des Heures

de la Cathédrale de Soissons

SUNDAY, **JANUARY 12**

TIME 4:00 P.M.



CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF AELRED OF RIEVAULX SUNG BY ST. LUKE'S SCHOLA

Ned Rorem | Love divine, all loves excelling Marcus Sealey | Preces and Responses Philip Moore | Evening Canticles 'The Third Service' Howard Helvey | O lux beatissima

SUNDAY. **FEBRUARY 9**



TIME 4:00 P.M.

> CHORAL EVENSONG **SUNG BY THE ADULT CHOIR**

Eleanor Daley | Christ, whose glory fills the skies Peter Aston | Preces and Responses Charles Villiers Stanford | Evening Canticles in G Gabriel Fauré | Cantique de Jean Racine



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



Michael Gordon

AN EVENING OF PERCUSSION FEATURING MICHAEL GORDON'S TIMBER

Michael Gordon's work, Timber, is scored for six wooden 2x4s, each cut into different sizes, giving each one a slightly different pitch. Called a "simantra" and used by priests in the Greek Orthodox church, this percussion instrument was first used in Western composition by lannis Xenakis. Far from a gimmick, the instrumentation allows Gordon to create the impression that the sound is traveling around and through the room by subtly shifting the accent of sound from one player to another. The result is a meditation on sound and rhythm, bringing the physicality, endurance, and technique of percussion performance to a new level.

ENSEMBLE:

Stuart Gerber Caleb Herron Jeremy Muller Khesner Oliveira Joseph Petrasek Victor Pones













SUNDAY, MARCH 9 **TIME** 4:00 P.M.



CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF GREGORY OF NYSSA SUNG BY THE ADULT CHOIR

Everett Titcomb | I will not leave you comfortless
Peter Nardone | Preces and Responses
Malcolm Archer | Evening Canticles 'Wells Service'
Peter Hurford | Litany to the Holy Spirit

THURSDAY, MARCH 13 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



THE CONCORDIA CHOIR NORTHFIELD, MINN. IN CONCERT

Dr. Matthew Culloton | Director

SUNDAY, MARCH 9 **TIME** 3:15 P.M.



PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL **STEPHEN GOURLEY, ORGAN**THE VILLAGE CHAPEL, PINEHURST, NC

Charles-Marie Widor | Mattheus-Final from Bach's Memento
J.S. Bach | Partita on Christ der du bist der helle Tag
Healey Willan | Andante, Fugue, and Chorale
Rachel Laurin | Aria from Symphonie No. 1
J. Guy Ropartz | Introduction et Allegro Moderato in D minor

TUESDAY, MARCH 25 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



viMOSAIC

A collaboration between ensemble vim & Mosaic String Quartet

Isang Yun | Tapis
Scott Lee | Tourbillon
Caroline Shaw | Thousandth Orange
Reena Esmail | Piano Quintet
Lauren McGall | To Cover You



SUNDAY, APRIL 13 **TIME** 3:15 P.M.



PALM SUNDAY
PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL

MATTHEW MICHAEL BROWN | ORGAN
ST. LUKE'S ATLANTA

J.S. Bach | Prelude and Fugue in B minor, BWV 544
Nicolas de Grigny | Récit de tierce en taille
César Franck | Chorale No. 2 in B minor
Kenneth Leighton | Chorale Prelude on Rockingham
Hubert Parry | Chorale Prelude on Martyrdom
Alexandre Guilmant | Marche sur un thème de Hændel

FRIDAY, May 2 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



5TH ANNUAL CONCERT FOR A CAUSE BENEFITTING RETURNING HER HOME THE MERIAN ENSEMBLE

In 2018, five women of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra came together to address the gender imbalance in classical standard repertoire. The Merian Ensemble honors the genius of Maria Sybilla Merian (1647-1717), a brilliant scientist and artist who created intricately beautiful drawings in order to examine and illuminate the tiniest details of metamorphosis. Her work, which preceded that of Linnaeus and Darwin, exhibits the same qualities of intellectual rigor and discovery, but enjoyed a fraction of the contemporary acclaim or celebrated legacy. Her story fuels Merian Ensembles' passion for bringing obscured compositions to light, and its determination to celebrate the women composing today.

returningherhome.org

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 **TIME** 4:00 P.M.



CHORAL EVENSONG FOR PALM SUNDAY SUNG BY ST. LUKE'S SCHOLA

Orlando Gibbons | Hosanna to the Son of David
William Smith | Preces and Responses
William Walton | Evening Canticles 'Chichester Service'
Kenneth Leighton | Solus ad victimam

SUNDAY, May 11 **TIME** 10:00 A.M.



ANNUAL CHORISTER
RECOGNITION CEREMONY
COLLEEN KINGSTON
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF
MUSIC FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH



SUNDAY, May 11 **TIME** 3:15 P.M.



PRE-EVENSONG RECITAL

EZECHIEL DAOS | ORGAN

GERRE HANCOCK INTERN
IN CHURCH MUSIC, ST. LUKE'S ATLANTA

Daniel Ficarri | Ceremonial Dialogues

Olivier Messiaen
L'Ascension: Alleluias sereins and Transports de joie

Marcel Dupré | Prelude and Fugue in B major

Richard Proulx | Pavane

Alejandro Consolacion | Suite for Manuals

Maurice Duruflé | Prélude et Fugue sur le nom d'Alain

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9 **TIME** 7:30 P.M.



2025 ATLANTA SUMMER ORGAN FESTIVAL **YOON-MI LIM | ORGAN** HIGHLAND PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH DALLAS, TEXAS

J.S. Bach | Toccata, Adagio, and Fugue in C Major, BWV 564
Albert Travis | Variations on Nettleton
Josef Rheinberger
Introduction and Fugue from Sonata in B Major
Petr Eben | Moto ostinato from Nedělni Hudba

Noel Rawsthorne | *Line Dances from Dance Suite* Charles-Marie Widor *Allegro, Cantabile, and Finale from Symphony VI*

SUNDAY, MAY 11 **TIME** 4:00 P.M.



CHORAL EVENSONG
SUNG BY ST. LUKE'S SCHOLA

Marty Wheeler Burnett, D.Min Commissioned Composer

Associate Professor of Church Music and Director of Chapel Music, Virginia Theological Seminary | Alexandria, Va.

John Rutter | Loving Shepherd of thy sheep Marty Wheeler Burnett | Preces and Responses (premiere)

Bobby McFerrin | *Psalm 23* Herbert Murrill | *Evening Canticles in E*

Carlyle Sharpe | I lift up my eyes to the hills

GERRE HANCOCK INTERNSHIP



ST. LUKE'S SELECTED TO HOST 2024-2025 INTERNSHIP

Dr. Gerre Hancock, one of America's most highly acclaimed concert organists and choral directors, was Organist and Master of Choristers at Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue in New York City, where he set a new standard for church music in America for more than 30 years.

The Gerre Hancock Internship program was established by the Association of Anglican Musicians (AAM) to create full-time mentoring opportunities for extraordinary young church musicians who demonstrate a strong interest in the music and worship of The Episcopal Church. This annual internship is jointly funded by AAM and the host institution

and offers the intern 10 months of practical experience through intense and intentionally formative work as part of an outstanding music program.

St. Luke's joins these other renowned music programs of The Episcopal Church as host for the 2024-2025 Hancock Intern:

- St. George's Episcopal Church Nashville, Tennessee
- Grace Cathedral,
 San Francisco, California
- St. James Cathedral Chicago, Illinois
- St. Mark's Church Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Trinity Episcopal Cathedral Columbia, South Carolina
- Washington National Cathedral Washington, District of Columbia
- Trinity Church Boston, Massachusetts

In March of 2024, Ezechiel Daos was named the 2024-2025 Gerre Hancock Intern. Daos graduated in 2022 from Central Methodist University in Fayette, Mo., with bachelor's degrees in vocal performance and music education. In May 2024, he received his master's degree in organ performance from the University of North Texas. His appointment at St. Luke's officially began in August 2024.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Support of St. Luke's concert series is made possible through Friends of Music. Concerts by renowned artists are frequently underwritten by the Friends of Music as a gift to our parish and the greater city of Atlanta. Music at St. Luke's exists because of the generous contributions made by members and friends of the parish. Please consider supporting the Friends of Music program.

Thank you for your generosity!





