

Music Report for 2008

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Providing music at First Baptist Church continues to be a pleasure and an opportunity to share special piano works for the services. Learning and presenting the music each Sunday augments my spiritual life and I hope that the music imparts a soothing atmosphere to the congregation.

Our choir has been singing well and with increased enthusiasm. The rehearsals are pleasant and work gets accomplished with enjoyment. Jennifer Lawrence Birnbaum has submitted the choir report that lists the anthems.

During the year there were several guests who provided offerings. Some of these guests were members of the congregation.

David Caughey and the New Creation Singers continued to provide music on a regular basis. I am grateful for their contributions. He has submitted his own report on their repertoire and services.

YFOFFI has been a delightful addition to the service when they perform. Their brand of music gives variety to the worship.

Listed under separate attachment are the offertories I presented in 2008. I submit this to conclude my report.

Respectfully submitted,
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2008 Offerings for Annual Report

Submitted by Christopher Morgan Loy

JANUARY

OFFERTORIES:

- 1/06 – Alice Damp served as substitute
1/13 – Prelude in E from WTC – Bach
1/20 – Agnus Dei – Mozart
(from Mass K.161 sung by the choir)
1/27 – Andante Cantabile – Mozart
(from K.333 in honor of Mozart’s birthday)

FEBRUARY

OFFERTORIES:

- 2/03 – Prelude op.16 #4 – A. Scriabin
2/10 – Arietta – E. Grieg
2/17 – A Set of Dances – F. Schubert
2/24 – Courrant – G.F. Handel

MARCH

OFFERTORIES:

- 3/02 – Solace [A Mexican Serenade] – Scott Joplin
3/09 – Studies on English folk Song – Ralph Vaughn Williams
3/16 – Palm Sunday Prelude op. 39#2 – A. Scriabin
The Palms -M. Lawrence. ten – G. Faure
3/21 – Good Friday: Area Ministers and Congregations were hosted by FBC.
Special music was O Sacred Head by Loy, and Samuel Barber’s song *The Crucifixion*
M. Lawrence, ten, CM Loy, pno
3/23 – EASTER: Guest trumpeter Dan Isbell. Special music included:
Overture from “Suite in D Major”, Handel, *Siciliano and Presto* from “Suite No. 1”
by G.P. Telemann, and *Rondino in Eb* by A. Street
3/30 – The Lonely Wanderer – E. Grieg

OTHER THINGS OF INTEREST:

- 3/09 – Sera Smolen, guest musician - ‘cellist
3/20 – Maundy Thurs. What Wondrous Love is This?
3/21 – Good Friday Noon: Ave Verum Corpus – Mozart
“Crucifixion” Samuel Barber (M. Lawrence, tenor)
3/23 – EASTER: Guest trumpeter Dan Isbell
3/30 – Sophie Cotraccia, violinist played 2 pieces from the Suzuki
book I.

APRIL

OFFERTORIES:

- 4/06 – Canzonetta from Salvadore Rosa – F. Liszt
4/13 – Two Gnossiennes – E. Satie
4/20 – Consolation #4 – F. Liszt
4/27 – Fugue in cm – J.S. Bach

OTHER THINGS OF INTEREST:

- 4/06 – Guest Preacher -[President of Colgate Rochester Seminary School]

MAY

OFFERTORIES:

- 5/04 – Prelude #9 op.28 – Chopin
5/11 – Still, Still, Still – Sun Kim, solo –
5/18 – Die Nacht (with Tony Lister, fl.) – Richard Strauss
5/25 – Imagine – John Lennon

JUNE

OFFERTORIES:

- 6/01 – Word of God, Speak – Bart Mallard
John Kim, solo

6/08 –

- 6/15 – Andante in C – Schubert
6/22 – Selections: Album for the Young – Tchaikovsky
6/29 – PICNIC

SPECIAL MUSIC: Summer Anthems

- 6/01 – Panis Angelicus – Cesar Franck
(Mark Laurence, tenor)
6/29 – PICNIC

JULY

OFFERTORIES:

- 7/06 – Adagio from Sonata in C – Haydn
7/13 – NCS [Loy out of town]
7/20 – Of Strange lands and People – Schumann op.15#1
7/27 – Sonata for Recorder in dm. Presto – Telemann

SPECIAL MUSIC: Summer Anthems

- 7/06 – Come Unto Him – Handel [Shell Chase, soprano]
7/13 – NCS
7/20 – Sonata in G for Flute – Giovanni Platti
[Debbie Allen, flute]
7/27 – Sonata for Recorder in dm. Allegro (postlude) – Telemann

AUGUST

OFFERTORIES:

8/03 – Two Studies – Heller

8/10 –

8/17 – Hine ma Tove – Trad. Jewish
David Caughey, solo

8/24 – Norse Song - Chorale – Schumann

8/31 – Intermezzo op.117#1 – Brahms

SPECIAL MUSIC: Summer Anthems

8/03 – Let Us Break Bread Together
Vocal Trio: Shella Chase, Janet Cotraccia, Julie Dean

8/10 – Marlene Sack – selections

8/17 – Oh, Had I A Golden Thread – Pete Seeger
(David Caughey, solo)

8/24 – Still Small Voice – NCS
– Moses, Moses – NCS

8/31 – Siciliano from Sonata for Flute & Hpsch. –Bach
(Tony Lister, Flute)

SEPTEMBER

OFFERTORIES:

9/07 – Venetian Gondolier – Mendelssohn

9/14 – Lord, I Want To Be a Christian – Raymond Haan
Alice Damp, guest organist (sub.)

9/21 – Traumeri – Schumann

9/28 – Song Without Words op.19 #1 – Mendelssohn

SPECIAL MUSIC:

9/07 – Before the Bread – Elizabeth Alexander

9/14 – In Christ There Is No East nor West – Charles Callahan
Alice Damp, guest organist (sub.)

OCTOBER

OFFERTORIES:

10/05 – Mignon – Schumann

10/12 –Moderato Triste – Zoltan Kodaly
op. 3 #6 from "Two Piano Pieces"

10/19 – selection from

10/26 – Intermezzo in A op.118 #2 – Brahms

NOVEMBER

OFFERTORIES:

11/02 – Menuetto in G – Haydn

11/09 – Song Without Words # 37 – Mendelssohn

11/16 – Song Without Words # 9 – Mendelssohn

11/23 – Prelude XII from WTC I – Bach

11/30 – Scherzo in Bb – Schubert

SPECIAL MUSIC:

11/02 – NCS

11/16 – Sophie Cotraccia, violin: Minuet – Bach

11/30 – NCS – Like a Candle Flame

DECEMBER**OFFERTORIES:**

12/07 – Norwegian Song – Grieg

12/14 – CSMA Recorder Ensemble [solo]

12/21 – Choir Sunday:

SPECIAL MUSIC:

12/07 – Special Music: Comfort Ye/Every Valley - from Handel's Messiah - Mark Lawrence, tenor

12/14 – CSMA Recorder Ensemble

12/21 – Choir Sunday:

A la Nanita Nana - small group of women including Sally

Ding Dong Merrily on High

A Virgin Unspotted - Billings

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Celebrate the Newborn King

12/24 – "What Child is This?"

"Awake Awake"

"Greet the New Morn" - chamber group

Choir: A La Nanita Nana

Choir: Ding Dong Merrily on High

O Holy Night -

Mark A. B. Lawrence, tenor

Sally Ramirez, soprano

2008 Anthem List**January 6th**

Behold the Star - trad.

Coventry Carol - trad.

January 13th

In the Bleak Midwinter – Darke

January 20th

"40" by U2 - NCS

Agnus Dei - Mozart (Missa Brevis in F)

January 27th

Fishers of Men/People – children

February 3rd

Be Thou My Vision

February 10th

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley – hymn w/guitars
Since by Man Came Death – Messiah – Choir

February 17th

Lift Thine Eyes from Mendelssohn's Elijah

February 24th

Uyaimose, You are My Strength - NCS

March 2nd

Zion Hort Die Wachter Singen - Bach

March 9th

Anthem: Out of the Deep – from Rutter's Requiem
Special Music: Mary Wore Three Links of Chain - vocal quartet
Offertory: Sera Smolen, guest cellist

March 16th - Palm Sunday

This is the Day (children and choir processional)
Choir: Ride the Chariot
"The Palms" (Faure) - Mark Lawrence
Choir: O Sacred Head

March 20th - Holy Thursday

Agnus Dei played by Tony Lister, flute - Bizet
Day by Day - from Godspell - Sally Ramirez and Jennifer Lawrence Birnbaum

March 21st - Good Friday, noon joint service

Ave Verum Corpus – Mozart - combined choir
"Crucifixion" (Barber) - Mark Lawrence, tenor solo

March 23rd - Easter Sunday

This Joyful Eastertide
Guest Trumpeter, Dan Isbell

March 30th

Peace Like a River, The Spirit of God's Love, Peace My Friends - NCS

April 6th

Before the Bread, Elizabeth Alexander (Communion)
Alleluja - Bach

April 13th –

On Children – Ysaye Barnwell
Treat Your Children Well - performed by David Caughey

April 20th -

Shine Down on Me - NCS

April 27th –

"God is the One" children

"Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above" Bayley

May 4th

Jesus, My All, To Heaven is Gone - Howard Helvey

May 11th – YFOFFI

Have A Little Faith---Mavis Staples

Put Your Hand---Trini-I-Tee 5:7

Still, Still, Still - Sun K. Kim

May 18th

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God - Beethoven

May 25th

Moro Na Roca - Brazilian Folk Song - Sally Ramirez and Doug Robinson

Imagine – Danny and Christopher

June 1

God is Our Refuge - Mozart

June 8 – Children's Sunday

Youth Handbells - Jubilate

Children - Father Abraham

Choir - On Children

June 15 –

Panis Angelicus - Cesar Frank - Mark Lawrence

June 22 –

Album for the Young - Tchaikovsky - CM Loy

June 29 – Picnic

NCS plus choir members – As I Went Down to the River to Pray

July 6

Special Music: He Shall Feed His Flock - Handel's Messiah - Shella Chase

July 13

Open Our Eyes Lord, Open the Eyes of My Heart - NCS

July 20

Sonata in G for Flute - Giovanni Platti - Debbie Allen, Flute

July 27

Special Music - CSMA Recorder Ensemble

Andante - Gluck

Shepherd in the Shade - Dowland

Offertory: Sonata in d-minor - Presto - Telemann

Carl Ponader, alto recorder; CM Loy, organ

Postlude: Sonata in d-minor - Allegro - Telemann

Carl Ponader, alto recorder; CM Loy, organ

Aug 3

Let Us Break Bread Together - Shella Chase, Janet Cotraccia, Julie Dean

Aug 10

Special Music Marlene Sack

Aug 17

O Had I a Golden Thread (Pete Seeger) & Hine Ma Tov - David Caughey

Aug 24

Still Small Voice, Moses Moses - NCS

Aug 31

Siciliano from Sonata for Flute and Harpsichord- Bach - Tony Lister, flute

Sept 7

"Before the Bread"

Sept 14

In Christ There is No East nor West - Charles Callahan - Alice Damp, guest organist

Sept 21 -1st real choir Sunday

"O Freedom" - Trad. South African - Janet Cotraccia, soloist

Sept 28

Choir: Grant Us Thy Peace - Mendelssohn

Oct 5

IC Hands of Praise

Oct 12

Lord, I Trust Thee" by Handel

Oct 19

Men 'N Christ - Buffalo Men's Gospel Group

Oct 26

How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place – from Brahms' Requiem

Nov 2

Beatitudes from the Fourth Wiseman - Mark Lawrence and Greg Busby duet

November 9 - Visitor Sunday

Zion Hort Die Wachter Singen - Bach

Through These Hands, In My Father's House - NCS

November 16

Never Weather Beaten Sail - Campion

Minuet - Bach - Sophia Cotraccia, violin

November 23

Amazing Grace - Sally Ramirez

The Lord Bless You and Keep You - choral benediction

November 30 - First Sunday of Advent

New Creation Singers and choir - O Come O Come Emmanuel
Like a Candle Flame - NCS

December 7- Second Sunday of Advent

Special Music: Comfort Ye - from Handel's Messiah - Mark Lawrence, tenor

December 14- Third Sunday of Advent -

Special Music: CSMA Recorder Ensemble Introit, Special Music, Offertory

December 21 - - Fourth Sunday of Advent - CHOIR SUNDAY

A la Nanita Nana - Introit

Ding Dong Merrily on High - anthem (or save for 12/24)

A Virgin Unspotted - Billings - near Gospel Reading

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly - offertory

Celebrate the Newborn King - Postlude

December 24

"What Child is This?" And "Awake Awake" and "Greet the New Morn" - chamber group

Choir: A La Nanita Nana

Choir: Ding Dong Merrily on High

O Holy Night – Mark A. B. Lawrence, tenor and Sally Ramirez, soprano