# **LET FREEDOM RING!**

# AN INDEPENDENCE DAY MUSICAL CELEBRATION



★ SUNDAY, JUNE 29 • 10 AM 🚽

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#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Angela Wells-Bean

#### **COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE	"America, the Beautiful"	arr. Mark Hayes
CALL TO WORSH	IP Psalm 100 Let F	Freedom Ring Singers
ANTHEM	"The Music of Creation"	Shelton Love
For the music of creation, for the song Your Spirit sings, For Your sound's divine expression, burst of joy in living things: God, our God, the world's composer, hear us, echoes of Your voice. Music is Your art, Your glory; let the human heart rejoice! All creation will rejoice!		
Psalms and symphonies exalt You, drum and trumpet, string and reed. Simple melodies acclaim You, tunes that rise from deepest need, Hymns of longing and belonging, carols from a cheerful throat, Lilt of lullaby and love song catching heaven with a note.		
All the voices of the ages in transcendent chorus meet; Worship lifting up the senses; hands that praise and dancing feet. Over discord and division music speaks Your peace. Harmony of earth and heaven, song of God that cannot cease. All creation joins to sing. Amen, amen!		
*INVOCATION		Andy Shultz
	Gracious and liberating God, We gather in your presence, mindful of the gift of freedom freedom not only of nation or speech, but the deeper freedom you offer: freedom from fear, from sin, from all that binds us. By your Spirit, set our hearts free today. Free us to worship with joy, to speak the truth in love, to serve with faith, and to rest in the liberty of your grace. Come, Holy One — be among us, move within us, and lead us in the way of true freedom. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.	
*CONGREGATION	NAL HYMN "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to b With God our creator, children all are we, Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow: To take each moment and live each moment in peace eterna Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.	
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#### "Let Freedom Ring" – A Patriotic Music Celebration

"Battle Hymn of the Republic" – William Steffe

"Of Faith and Freedom" – Joseph Martin

"God Bless America" – Irving Berlin/arr. Joseph Martin

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.

"The Stars and Stripes Forever/You're a Grand Old Flag" John Philip Sousa/George M. Cohan

"The Prayer of St. Francis" – René Clausen

#### SCRIPTURE

Galatians 5:13

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on Earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

"Lift Every Voice and Sing" – arr. Craig Courtney

"America, the Beautiful" - arr. Joseph Martin/David Angerman

"I Still Have a Dream/This Is the Dream" Marsha Stevens-Pino and Danny Ray/Mary McDonald

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

You can donate via Venmo to (727) 200 – 2785 or via Vanco by scanning the QR code below.



Offertory "Variations on a Shaker Melody" from Appalachian Spring Copland/arr. Lerner Jo Small and Dale Williams, Piano Duet

\*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen. \*Praver of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN

"This Is My Song"

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#### \*BENEDICTION

We invite you to remain seated during the Postlude, giving thanks for the freedom we all enjoy. Please join us for a reception where you can greet the singers following the conclusion of the Postlude.

#### POSTLUDE

"Grand Chorus in B Flat"

Theodore Dubois

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

#### **Let Freedom Ring Musicians**

(Listed left to right)

**Andy Shultz**, baritone, majored in music at Kutztown University, serves as section leader and cantor at St. Jude the Apostle Cathedral and is a member of the Tampa Oratorio Singers. He is the Regional Supervisor, Complex Leagues & Florida State League for Major League Baseball.

**Rhoni Schmitt**, soprano, graduated with a Bachelor of Music in vocal performance from the University of Tampa. She currently works as a grants specialist with Big Brothers Big Sisters. She is a member of the Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church Chancel Choir.

**Brian Feist**, tenor, is a Registered Nurse and also holds a Bachelor of Science in Vocal Music Education. He recently retired from the Oncology Clinic at Bay Pines VA Medical Center. He has performed locally with the Tampa Bay Gay Men's Chorus and Bay Voices men's chorale and currently sings with the Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church Chancel Choir and the Tampa Oratorio Singers.

**Erin Dickerson**, alto, graduated from the University of Tampa with a Bachelor of Performing Arts in Musical Theatre. She is the Chief Operations Officer for TeBella Tea Company and is pursuing her Master's degree in the Clinical Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling program at the University of South Florida. She sings with the Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church Chancel Choir in addition to ringing with the Chancel Ringers (handbell choir).

**Frank Selph**, tenor, has been singing in choirs since he was six years old. He sings with the Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church Chancel Choir and the Tampa Oratorio Singers. He also is an avid sailor and is a past Commodore of Davis Island Yacht Club in Tampa.

**Michelle Van Dyke**, soprano, is retired from a longtime career in public relations and public information for Hillsborough County government. She has sung in choral ensembles for most of her life. She currently sings with the Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church Chancel Choir and the Tampa Oratorio Singers.

**Dale Williams**, director and pianist, holds the Bachelor of Music Education from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama and a Master of Music in Piano Performance from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. In addition, her post-graduate work was done at the University of Illinois where she studied with the internationally acclaimed Vocal Coach/Accompanist Eric Dalheim. She is a freelance collaborative pianist in the Tampa Bay area, keyboardist with The Florida Orchestra, accompanist for the Tampa Oratorio Singers, and Organist/Choir Director/Handbell Director at Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church.

#### PRAYER LIST

J.D. Burns, Mary Pat Byrne, Winston Culler and family, Marge Davis, Bob Frye, Betty Houlton, Ralph Johnson, Judi Oliver, Henry and Judy Rutledge and our servicemen and women

#### MEMORIAL GATHERING AND RECEPTION

Winston Culler and his wife, Debbie, will be having a memorial gathering for their son Jesse on the pavilion at 1pm today. All are welcome.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PERU PRESENTATION

Please join members of the youth group for a slideshow and brief presentation highlighting their mission trip to Peru! Meet in the youth room on the 2nd floor TODAY after service.

#### **Ushers Needed**

Ushers are needed for the 10am service. Please consider volunteering on a regular basis or simply filling in when needed. In order to have the service run smoothly, it is necessary to have four ushers each week for a total of twenty people. If interested, please contact Susan MacKenzie in person or at jamkwm@aol.com.

#### Labyrinth Ministry

We have a beautiful labyrinth on our campus, and in the past we have had events and programs organized around our labyrinth. Pastor Angela is looking for a few people who are interested in working together to lead a labyrinth ministry at our church. If this interests you, please email her at seniorpastor@pagchurch.org. Thank you!

#### **New Thrift Shop Hours**

The Thrift Shop is accepting donations and will be open Saturdays only from 9am until noon until further notice.

#### **Men's Prayer Breakfast**

Our men's group meets Tuesdays at 8 am in Fellowship Hall. For more info, please contact Bob Goecker at rgoecker@gmail.com.

#### **Piecemakers Quilting Group**

Our group of skilled quilters meets Tuesdays at 9 am. They craft items for church baptisms, youth mission trips, local hospitals and more. For more info, please contact admin@pagchurch.org

#### Women on a Faith Journey

Our women's group meets Thursdays at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. For more info, please contact Cindy Petersen at danep3@verizon.net.

#### **Ukulele Group**

Uke Kooks is made up of anyone who wants to play their ukulele and sing fun songs. Beginners are welcome. The group will meet at 1pm on July 10 and August 14. Come September, they will return to meeting each Thursday at 1pm. For more info, please contact Jo Small at josmall22319@gmail.com.

The Interfaith Pride Service is Sunday June 29 @ 3:00PM at the Unitarian Universalist Church of St. Petersburg. 100 Mirror Lake Dr N, St. Petersburg, FL 33701.





Our 'Together We Rise' campaign is underway! Our goal is to raise \$1.7 million dollars to defray the cost of rebuilding after Hurricane Helene. This past week, you should have received a letter and a commitment card in the mail. Please return the card to the office as soon as you're able. You can also make a commitment through our church website. We will keep you updated periodically as to the progress of the campaign. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Angela or John England, our Council President. We thank you for your generosity, together we will rise!

### Mark Your Calendar

## **SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Beginning June 29th through the end of August

### 10 AM SERVICE ONLY IN THE SANCTUARY WITH COMMUNION EACH WEEK

### **Music Schedule:**

June 29 - Let Freedom Ring! Concert July 6 - Winston July 13 - Dale July 20 - Dale with the choir July 27 - Winston August 3 - Dale August 10 - Winston August 17 - Dale with the choir August 24 - Dale August 31 - Winston

# GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF DONATIONS OF CEREAL, RICE, PEANUT BUTTER AND CANNED MEAT. DONATIONS DECLINE DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, SO THE NEED IS MAGNIFIED DURING THIS TIME. PLEASE PLACE DONATIONS IN THE BARREL IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.

THANK YOU FOR ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE.



# Drop (off) Your Drawers for Clothes to Kids

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To Kids

The annual underwear drive is taking place. Help "underwrite" a basic but essential need for kids. C2K provides a week's worth of school clothing for students PreK through 12th grade who qualify for free or reduced lunch or are in crisis. Over 82,000 pairs of new underwear and socks will be distributed to Bay Area students this year. Please place your donations in the barrel in Fellowship Hall. Currently, there is a special need for boxer briefs for boys and young men and for socks for girls and young women.

### OUR CHURCH IS CREATING A COOKBOOK!

IT WILL FEATURE FAVORITE FAMILY RECIPES FROM OUR MEMBERS, FAMILIES, AND FRIENDS. YOU'RE WELCOME TO SUBMIT SEVERAL RECIPES. RECIPES WILL INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE CONTRIBUTOR, AND WILL BE BOUND IN AN ATTRACTIVE BOOK TO BE TREASURED FOR YEARS TO COME. WE HOPE TO HAVE THE COOKBOOK READY TO GO TO PRESS BY SEPTEMBER 1, AND READY FOR SALE ON NOVEMBER 1. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO "TOGETHER WE RISE."

PLEASE SUBMIT RECIPES TO PATTY WIRTH IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS: EMAIL TO: PWIRTHRN@GMAIL.COM TEXT A PHOTO TO: 630-913-9993 \* IN PERSON ON SUNDAYS

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION.

#### **About Our Church**

Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church, United Church of Christ was founded in 1911. We are proud to be one of the 4,500 congregations in the United Church of Christ denomination.

We are an Open and Affirming Congregation which means that we welcome all persons into full membership and participation in the body of Christ, providing a safe welcome for a diverse people, including the full inclusion of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and non-binary persons (LBGTQ) in the church's life and ministry.

Our Mission Statement: As a diverse community of faith, we encourage people to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; live with Christian values; and share God's love by showing compassion and generosity for all communities. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

#### For Newcomers

We are so glad you are here, thank you for joining us! If you'd like to learn more about the church, you're welcome to get together with Pastor Angela by emailing her at seniorpastor@pagchurch.org. If you'd like to be added to our church mailing list, please contact our Church Administrator, Stacey Jackson at admin@pagchurch.org. We have opportunities to become a member of the church throughout the year. Please see our announcements or e-blast for more information.

#### **Children and Youth**

After the Children's Time, children ages three through fifth grade are invited to go to Faith Formation. We also have youth groups for middle and high schoolers. They meet on Sunday evenings at 6 PM from September through May (except for the first Sunday of the month, which meets at 11 AM). All children and youth are welcome to be part of our ministries here at PAGBCC! Our Associates for Children and Youth are Signe and Todd Webb. Please contact them with any questions at signewebb@yahoo.com.

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