

mea responsas

February 16, 2012 Issue No. 153

Friends,

For years, our church has looked forward to our *Organ Dedication Service* which is this Sunday. An incredible amount of thought, planning and work has gone into designing and building our new organ. John, we thank you for the blood, sweat, and tears you have invested in this project. It would not have happened without you.

Choir, please note that we'll rehearse this Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m. in the choir loft. We'll dismiss at 8:30 for you to robe and then we'll line up in the choir room. Make every effort to sing both services.

Sunday afternoon, John Dill will play a 45-minute demonstration/recital at the church beginning at 2:30. There are many people who will be coming from across America to be a part of this historic event and we want to give them another opportunity to hear the organ in addition to the service.

Also, please reserve the date of our *Inaugural Organ Concert* – Saturday, March 17. From 3:00-3:45 John Dill will present a pre-concert lecture on how organs are built and how they work; the concert featuring the Watanabe's will be 4:00–5:15; then, for those who want to join us, we'll have dinner together at a local restaurant.

Thank you for being faithful to our ministry on Sunday mornings. I do believe that the musical offering we present week after week is pleasing to the Lord; that is our highest goal.

Don

This Fall the Choir Will *Not* Sing On

- March 25 – Men's Chorus
- April 15 – Baroque Ensemble
- April 29 – Children's Choirs – Elijah
- May 27 – Memorial Day

Field Trips

Our field trips provide marvelous opportunities to deepen friendships among our music ministry family. They are totally optional. Spouses and older children are invited to participate. Email Jean if you are interested in attending any of the following events.

Local field trips

March 17 – Prelude lecture at 3:00 before the organ dedication ceremony/concert at 4:00. Dinner after the concert at Bonnie Ruth's Restaurant.

March 30 – DSO's St. Matthew Passion, directed by Jaap Van Zweden. Floor tickets are \$35 and Grand Tier tickets are \$25. Pre-concert buffet is available for \$21.

April 27 – Frisco RoughRiders baseball game. For \$20 we get home plate seating area, all-you-can-eat food, baseball cap and fireworks after the game.

May 25 – DSO's Armed Forces Salute with Marvin Hamlisch. Floor tickets are \$35 and Grand Tier tickets are \$25. Pre-concert buffet is available for \$21.

Major Trip

Every year we offer a major field trip to an intriguing part of the world. For 2012 we're considering one of two destinations. If you would be interested in one or either of these trips, please email Jean. We do not need a definite commitment right now, just an indication of which trip (s) you might be interested in. The trip would probably be around May 21-26.

Option #1 – Five day trip to New York City (approximately \$1,000)

Option #2 – Eight day trip to Rome and Florence, Italy (approximately \$2,600)

Music Ministry Bible Study

This Sunday, we begin a study of the book of James. Read the first chapter several times before Sunday. The class meets after the music part of the second worship service. We dismiss right at noon.

Stonebriar Community Church • 4801 Legendary Drive, Frisco, TX 75034

Don McMinn, Pastor of Worship and Music	469-252-5215	DonM@Stonebriar.org
Sandi Altstaetter, Music Associate	469-252-5251	SandiA@Stonebriar.org
Paul Thompson, Music Associate, Instrumental	469-252-5357	PaulT@Stonebriar.org
Jean Allen, Ministry Assistant	469-252-5207	JeanA@Stonebriar.org

Brain Teasers

We had tremendous response to our weekly brain-teaser. It was a bit harder than previous ones, only 3 people got the right answer. Here are the results.

Conundrum – On your bookshelf you have three books in a set, Volumes 1,2, and 3. Unfortunately, you also have a book worm who is eating up your books. The books are each two inches thick and the covers are each a half inch thick. If the hungry bookworm starts at the outside front cover of Volume 1 and eats through to the last page of Volume 3 before you stop him, how many inches of book material has he eaten?

Answer – Three and a half inches. Put a set of books on the shelf and look at them. If the worm started at the front cover of Volume 1 and ate through Volume 2, he would not have touched the pages of Volume 1 at all. Volume 2, with cover, would be three inches, and the worm would eat only the cover of Volume 3, another half-inch.

The winners are:

Jim Gunn, Bill Russell (orchestra), and Sandy Wilkerson (handbells).

Care Notes

Row 1 – **Chuck Swindoll Jr** has been diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing treatment.

Row 2 – **Joe Vetter's** father passed away Monday night.

Row 3 – **Jenni Schwartz** (daughter of Beverly Tripp) has been hospitalized with a high fever, headache and cardiac issues.

Row 4 – Thank you to **Carol Spencer** (Senior Director of Resource Ministries) for initiating the completion of building the organ.

Row 5 – **Bill Person** (husband of Hedi, soprano) his fight against leukemia has intensified.

Alto Wing – **Bob Turner** (usher) is battling cancer.

Soprano Wing – **David Gaschen** (artist in residence) is going through a very busy season.

Roommate Needed

Marlene Anderson (alto) is looking for a roommate to rent a house, townhouse or apartment with in the Frisco/McKinney area. If you know of another single woman looking for a roommate please have them contact Marlene at marleneskids@gmail.com or (763) 412-0674.

Tonight's Rehearsal

Psalm 47 – February 19

O God Beyond Praising – February 19

The First Song of Isaiah (with children) – February 26

O Love How Deep – March 4

How Firm a Foundation – March 11

Declare the Maker's Praise – March 18

Prayer Requests

Please e-mail your requests to Jean Allen no later than Wednesday at noon—JeanA@Stonebriar.org.

Joe Vetter's father passed away Monday evening. Please be in prayer for the family as they grieve.

Missions Benefit Concert

Support Stonebriar Missions while enjoying great music on Friday, April 13 during a concert featuring musical guests, Bebo Norman and the Robbie Seay Band. General admission tickets are on sale now for \$15. Doors open at 7:00, concert at 7:30, no childcare will be provided. Proceeds from this concert will benefit Stonebriar mission projects around the world.

Gloria Dei Youth Choir Event

Go out and show your support for our youth choir, Gloria Dei, as they sing the Star-Spangled Banner at the Texas Legends basketball game tomorrow night! The Legends are the developmental league for the Dallas Mavericks and they play right here in Frisco at the Dr. Pepper Arena. The game starts at 7:00 p.m. and tickets may be purchased online at Ticketmaster.com by searching Texas Legends, or at the arena box office up to 2 hours prior to game time.

Plano Civic Chorus—A Broadway Spectacular!

Give your regards to Broadway in a magnificent evening of favorite show tunes, featuring David Gaschen, star of Broadway's *Phantom of the Opera!* This is a "don't miss" concert for music and theater lovers of all ages! Accompanied by the Jon Schweikhard Jazz Ensemble.

February 25, 2012, 8p.m.

St. Andrew United Methodist Church
5801 W. Plano Parkway, Plano TX

February 26, 2012, 4p.m.

Tobian Auditorium, Temple Emanu-El
8500 Hillcrest Road, Dallas TX

You may purchase tickets from Mary Joyner or online at <http://www.planocivicchorus.org/tickets>. Advanced purchase tickets are \$20 or \$25 at the door.