



MUSIC AT THE RED DOOR Beauty and Grace



SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Welcome to the sixth season of Music at the Red Door

A syou'll see in this brochure, we are building on the themes of previous seasons, most notably with the addition of several *Choral Evensong* services. Through this ancient and beautiful liturgy, our choristers, young and old, will gain a deeper spiritual connection to the music we make, and provide a needed time for attendees connect with the truly holy. In addition, we feature our fabulous pipe organ proudly, and present local artists *The Nields* and *Legacy of Spirituals Gospel Choir* in exciting concerts. Each of our events serves to build a bridge to the community through the music we provide and shows newcomers our welcoming presence in the neighborhood.

In addition, and perhaps most importantly, our young choristers continue to have a central role, learning and presenting adult-level choral music in a group that is diverse, safe, and fun. One of my greatest joys is watching these children grow into young adults, knowing that these experiences will be part of them forever, and that they will be the future of Anglican choral music. Sit back and enjoy, and please invite a friend or two the next time you come!

Scott Lamlein, *Artistic Director*, and the St. John's Music Committee: Karan Emerick, *Chair*; Eleanor Barnes, V*estry Liaison*; Margaret Beers, Kristie Harrington, Daaé Ransom St. John's builds bridges between our parish and the community through Music at the Red Door – presenting free-admission concerts several times each year.

Visit www.reddoormusic.org for full details of our 2016-2017 season. All concerts are free admission; a suggested donation of \$20 is requested at major events.



The Nields - St. John's Block Party

Local favorite folk duo, The Nields, present a family-friendly and fun concert on our south lawn – join us for great music, food trucks, and more!

Sunday, September 18, 2016, 1:00 pm (Block party 12 - 3 pm)

Winners Recital: Albert Schweitzer International Organ Competition

Celebrating 25 years of launching the careers of the brightest stars in the pipe organ world, the winners of last year's competition Monica Czausz and Adrian Binkley present an inspiring recital.

Sunday, October 1, 2016, 7:30 pm





Candlelight Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

The St. John's Adult and Youth Choirs, Scott Lamlein, director; Floyd Higgins, organ. In the tradition of King's College, Cambridge, prepare your soul for the Christmas miracle with carols for choir and organ.

Sunday, December 11, 2016, 3:00 pm



Gospel at the Red Door: Legacy of **Spirituals Singers**

An evening of joyful Gospel music, under the direction of Hartford's own G. Ingrid Faniel. Sunday, March 11, 2017, 7:30 pm



Celebrity Organ Concert

Chelsea Chen, organist, with Joseph Lee, cello. Co-sponsored by the Greater Hartford Chapter, American Guild of Organists. Saturday, June 4, 2017, 4:00 pm

Worship Ancient and Beautiful: **Choral Evensong**

Experience the beautiful, ancient custom of closing the day with graceful readings, prayer and music.

Selected Last Sundays of the Month, 5:00 pm

September 25, 2016:	St. James's Choir
October 30, 2016:	St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs
January 29, 2017:	Choir of Center Church, Hartford
February 26, 2017:	St. John's Youth Choir
March 26, 2017:	Bishop's Choir School of Christ
	Church Cathedral, Springfield

April 30, 2017:

St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs Followed by Choral Festival and Evensong at St. Bartholomew's Church, New York, Saturday, May 6, 4:00 pm



Pipes Alive! Organ Series First Sundays in 2017 – 12:30 pm

February 5: Scott Lamlein April 2: Christa Rakich

March 5: Floyd Higgins May 7: Peter Niedmann



The St. John's Choir

The St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs are well-known in the greater Hartford community and beyond as a center of excellence in vocal training and repertoire for children ages 7-1/2 and up. The youth choristers receive a stipend to sing the soprano (treble) line every other Sunday, alongside volunteers and professionals on the other parts. The flexible performing schedule enhances a safe, supportive and inspiring environment with the highest standards of musical expression.

Affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music, the program focuses on a centuries-old tradition of music composed originally for children's voices alongside adults. The youth also sing on their own periodically and for special occasions. Included are a summer choir camp, choir festivals and collaborations, and the broadening experience of travel. Rehearsals are weekly, and frequently include a choir dinner. The semi-professional Adult Choir sings every week and is open to experienced choral singers by audition. Inquiries from prospective singers are welcome at any time; no religious affiliation is necessary. Please visit our website for additional information at **www.sjparish.net**.



You can help!



Music at the Red Door depends on donations to not only to fund concerts, but also to fund education and camp for our young choristers each year. You can make a direct donation visiting the link below, or contact us indicating how you might con-

tribute your time to our efforts, whether it be helping raise funds, managing the concert venue, working on publicity, helping with receptions, or sharing your musical talents.

Online Donations

Your donation to the Music at the Red Door helps support the choirs and concert series at St. John's Episcopal Church. To donate online, please visit: **www.reddoormusic.org/donate**

Sundays at St. John's

Masterworks for choir and organ provide musical inspiration at our 10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist each Sunday. With broad choral repertoire from the oldest motets to modern and Gospel, the St. John's Choirs lift our hearts to God and lead our singing of the great hymns of the church.

St. John's is a warm and welcoming faith community, and invites you to worship each week.

8:00 am Spoken Holy Eucharist9:30 am Faith Forum and Church School10:30 am Choral Holy Eucharist

The Reverend Susan Pinkerton, *Rector* Scott Lamlein, *Director of Music and Organist* Janet Babbitt, *Director of Christian Education* Ralph Valentine, *Organist and Choirmaster Emeritus*



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