ORCHESTRA FLUTE

Maia Nemes

OBOE
Arya Bailey
CLARINET

Stephanie Armes
Michelle Kourouma

HORN Lance Ellis Aaliyah Grant

VIOLIN 1

Michelle Rhee Amelia Bato

VIOLIN 2 Rebecca Vu Anthony Chang

**VIOLA** 

James Oxentenko Jayden Chae

**CELLO** 

Leanne Riddle

Andreanna Kourouma

BASS Ariel Kemp

Ryan Templin

PIANO

Kristi Wiant

PERCUSSION

Curt Cheever

Dian Clark

Forrest Dill

Glen Nelson

James Shaw

Maury Spencer

**CHOIR** 

**SOPRANO** 

Alexandra Akimova

Carolyn Bohnen

Portia Brown

Valerie Liptak

Julie Gleason

Sheila Allen

Chervi Nelson

Marcia Phillips

Ann Pierson Ruth Rogers

Joe Bohnen

Jack Oakley

Cheryl Shaw

Larry Brown

**TENOR** 

**BASS** 

Mary Dill

Tina Kirk

ALTO

Linda Roundhill

Yvonne Londerville

Callie Carmean

Robin Chaloupka

Beth Carlson Craig Carlson

**READERS** 

**PROGRAM DESIGN AND LAYOUT** 

Kcristell Peña

**TECHNICAL DIRECTION** 

Kate West

**AUDIO TECHNICIAN** 

Isaiah Esterline

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Charlie Fix, Inglemoor High School

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## DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Welcome to North Creek Presbyterian Church. All of us at NCPC are delighted you have joined us for our Christmas Concert, "Great Joy". Before our season started, the choir shared their hopes for your experience tonight; their overwhelming response was they want you to experience the joy of Christmas.

With that in mind, our program is structured around four scripture readings done in dialogue. These passages recall the prophecies and events surrounding the birth of Jesus, the reason we celebrate Christmas. The first half of our program is more introspective as we wait for the birth in joy-filled anticipation. The second half is more boisterous as we examine life changed by the reality of the incarnation and resurrection. A poem from John Donne and a selection by Alistair Begg round out the spoken texts.

There are so many experiences this time of year that are designed to help us reminisce. Some are whimsical, sentimental, or just entertaining. We hope tonight you remember and celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Christ... with great joy!



- Brian Armes

## Brian W. Armes, Worship and Music Director

Brian W. Armes is a lifelong musician, born into a family of musicians. Brian conducts, sings, plays, and composes alongside professional pursuits in directing film and theatre, writing, acting, and photography. As the Worship and Music Director at North Creek Presbyterian Church he oversees music selection and preparation for regular worship and conducts the North Creek Presbyterian Church Choir.

His conducting studies began under Shawn Halquist and continued as he performed under the influential batons of JoAnn Rediger, Michael Brewer, Steve Skinner, Ariel Quintana, Eji Oue, Noel Tredinnick, John Rutter, and the late Paul Salomonvich. Before relocating to the Pacific Northwest, Brian conducted the handbell choir at Alps Road Presbyterian Church (Athens, GA) and co-directed the Chancel Choir at Alps Road.

In addition to conducting, Brian sings baritone and plays French horn, guitar, and handbells. He has performed with the Erie Philharmonic Orchestra, First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood's Cathedral and Handbell Choirs, Taylor University Chorale and Opera Workshops, Los Angeles Doctor's Symphony Orchestra, the Classic City Concert Band, and the Seattle Pacific University Symphony Orchestra.

## PROGRAM

WELCOME Pastor Kurt Helmcke

CHOIR: In the Fullness of Time Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

arr. Mary McDonald

CHOIR: Come, Emmanuel Nancy Price and Don Besig

CHOIR: Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming arr. John Purifoy

flute: Maia Nemes

CHOIR: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence arr. Keith Christopher

CHOIR: And the Stars Will Dance Michael Morgan, Ken Medama, Brad Nix

CHOIR: Christmas Grace Philip Kern

CHOIR: Carols of the Night setting by Craig Courtney

Please join in the 2nd and 3rd verses of "Silent Night, Holy Night".

OFFERTORY

ORCHESTRA: O Magnum Mysterium Morten Lauridsen; trans. Sandra Dackow

**CHOIR:** See Amid the Winter's Snow Edward Caswall and John Goss

arr. Dan Forrest

CHOIR: Come and Receive Claire Cloninger and Gary Rhodes

CHOIR: Sussex Carol arr. Elaine Hagenberg

CHOIR: O Wondrous Star of Bethlehem Larry Shackley

soprano: Callie Carmean

ORCHESTRA: Christmas Day Gustav Holst; arr. Brian Armes

CHOIR: Children, Go and Tell it on the Mountain Joseph M. Martin

**CAROL**: Joy to the World arr. Troy Bates

**CHOIR:** The Work of Christmas Howard Thurman and Dan Forrest

