

The Music Ministry...

... at Shepherd of the Valley Church has been nurtured with faith and love until it has become a very significant part of our community. Our Adult Choir at full strength has grown to number almost 40 people, embracing everyone from youth in high school to senior citizens. Under the guiding hand of Jean Grady, the Choir sings church music from every period, but has a definite preference for a contemporary gospel sound that enlivens and inspires the whole community.

From the foundation of the Adult Choir, a Mixed Ensemble of four men and four women has emerged to add variety to the music of the church. As parts of the Ensemble, we also often enjoy the Ladies' Trio and the Men's Quartet, who are with you today.

Music at Shepherd of the Valley is emphatically for all ages. Our Music Makers, directed by Lisa Pellegrino, are preschoolers, kindergardeners and first-graders who are learning about worship as they learn to sing the music of their church. The Tiny Tune Choir is the oldest children's choir, established by Marcia Card in 1991. It includes children in grades 2-6. The Youth Choir is under Dave Larson's guidance, and includes Middle School and High School youth.

The Music Program is the spiritual backbone of Shepherd of the Valley Church. For the Adult Choir especially, rehearsals are like a second worship service each week. We are glad to share our faith through our singing, and accept invitations to go to other churches, United Methodist Retirement Centers and District and Conference gatherings. To inquire about future dates, please call (401) 821-8217 and leave a message at our office for Jean Grady. You can also e-mail us at sov3@juno.com or write to us at 604 Seven Mile Road, Hope, R.I. 02831.

The Men's Quartet...

.. is a very special part of our ministry. It is a marvelous experience in our time to have the voices of men lifted up in music that expresses the joy and promise of faith. The Men's Quartet rehearses separately from the Adult Choir, but the sacrifice of time that they make is a blessing to the community when they sing. We know you will enjoy and be inspired by these "Faithful Men"!

Danny Beck, 1st Tenor, is a journeyman plasterer and a volunteer fireman. He lives with his wife Susan in Harmony, R.I., is a member of the Pawtuxet Valley Community Chorus and enjoys Karaoke. "Someone once said that if you sing the Lord's praises you are twice blessed: once for the praises and once for the song. This is my goal."

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David Larson, bass, lives in Hope, R.I. with his wife of 25 years. They have two daughters and a grandson. Their older daughter is in seminary and expects to be ordained as a United Methodist Minister in June of 1998. Dave is very involved in the music program at Shepherd of the Valley, directing the Youth Choir.

Among the songs...

... you will hear in this program are traditional and contemporary gospel music and hymns selected by the Quartet because of the messages of hope and inspiration they convey.

*Faithful Men
Take It To The Lord
Jesus Is Coming Soon
Steppin' On The Clouds
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
I Will Call Upon The Lord
There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

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Gospel concert

On Friday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. at Warwick Central Baptist Church, the Shepherd of the Valley Gospel Choir, consisting of The Men of Hope and a Ladies Trio, the Voices of Faith, will present a concert of southern gospel music. The Shepherd of the Valley Gospel Choir, from Shepherd of the Valley Methodist Church in Hope, RI, shares their music ministry throughout the New England area, singing in churches, schools, concert auditoriums and other locations. They have released several recordings. Jean Grady of Coventry is the director of the group and her husband, Ken, is the sound technician. Pictured are the Men of Hope and Voices of Faith from Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church (back row) Danny Beck, David Larson, Rob Bower and David Dickey; (front row) Linda Yeaw, Jean Grady and Debbie Johnson. Together these folks make beautiful music and they'll have you smiling and clapping your hands before the evening is over. Warwick Central Baptist Church invites all to come and join in this evening of gospel music. For more information please call 739-2828.

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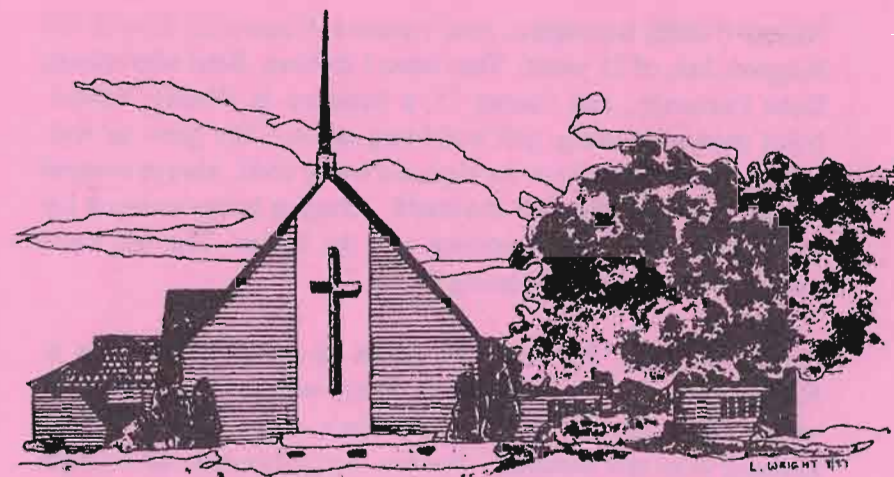


Program

Hard Trials Will Soon Be Over Turn Your Radio On	Mixed Ensemble
Introduction	Jean Grady
Be Thou My Vision God Is Able Blessed Assurance	Ladies' Gospel Trio
Satisfied	Mixed Ensemble
Loving God, Loving Each Other Great Gettin' Up Morning Swing Down, Swing Low	Men of Hope
It's Not In Vain	Mixed Ensemble
Written In Red Jesus Will Still Be There	Ladies' Gospel Trio
The Lighthouse	Dave Larson
Yes, I Know Just a Little Talk with Jesus Steppin' On the Clouds	Men of Hope
Singin' With the Saints Send It On Down	Mixed Ensemble

Jean Grady, Music Director at Shepherd of the Valley UMC for the past 9 years, graduated from Sterling College with a BA in Music Education and the University of New Haven with a MS in Industrial Relations. She is currently a Senior Manager for Computer Sciences Corp. and lives in Coventry, RI with her husband, Ken and their son, Rick.

Sound and equipment provided for this evening's concert by **Ken Grady Productions**.



Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church Hope, Rhode Island

Gospel Music Program
featuring

Men of Hope
Ladies' Gospel Trio
Mixed Ensemble

Pastors, Rev. Bill Flug and Rev. Virginia Fryer

Ladies' Gospel Trio

Nicette (Nikki) Balukjian, Alto, resides in Greenville, RI with her husband, Jim, of 25 years. They have 2 children, Brad who attends Duke University, and Lauren 15, a freshman at Wheeler School. Nikki enjoys traveling, golf and being active. She grew up with religious music and from the time she was a child, always enjoyed singing harmony whenever she could. "Singing brings so much joy to my daily life and harmonizing with the Ladies' Trio has especially been a wonderful blessing for me."

Debbie Johnson, 2nd Soprano, works as a medical assistant in Narragansett, RI. She lives in Coventry with her husband of 20 years. They have 3 children. Debbie's other interests include spinning wool and knitting. "For me, God's presence can be most felt in nature and the music we hear and sing."

Linda Yeaw, Soprano, was born and raised in Rhode Island. In 1976, she was married to her husband Stephen and shortly thereafter, they were blessed with two wonderful sons, Keith and Kendyl. Since childhood, music has been a part of Linda's life, however, it was during a music clinic which she attended that she suddenly became aware of the reason why God gave her the gift of voice. "I am to be an instrument of God and spread his word through song. Since that moment, music has had a much deeper meaning and a greater spiritual fulfillment for me."

"You're Still Lord" audiotapes will be available after the concert for \$10.00 each. They make great gifts.

Men of Hope

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Geoffrey Simpson, 2nd Tenor, is a house designer and cabinet maker who lives in Hope, RI with his wife of 20 years, Jean, and their youngest daughter Rebecca. He is also a Lay Leader, pianist, trumpeter and director of the Tiny Tunes Choir at the church and teaches an ESL class at South Providence Neighborhood Ministries as part of the Shalomcorps ministry. Geoff tells us that "it feels good to see smiles on peoples' faces when they hear the Good News."

Rob Bower, Baritone, chairs the Foundation Board for United Methodist Eldercare in East Providence. His first love is coaching soccer, which his two sons play. He and Marti have been married 27 years and reside in Hope, RI. Rhode Island College is where Rob is Director of Publishing. He tells us that he "grew up singing in a Methodist church and can find no better way to spread the Word."

David Larson, Bass, lives in Hope, RI with Sue, his wife of 27 years. They have two daughters and a grandson. Their oldest daughter is pastor of the North Adams, MA United Methodist Church. Dave is very involved in the music program at Shepherd of the Valley, directing the Youth Choir.

Shepherd of the Valley Gospel Choir, Mixed Ensemble, Men of Hope and Ladies' Trio are available for concerts. Please contact Jean Grady at 401-828-4074 or the church at 401-821-8217.

Get About God's Business

I've Got That Old Time Religion In My Heart Walking With Jesus	arr. Hamby Cook
The Song Rolls On He's Still Been God	Lister arr. Speck
Precious Memories Swing Down, Sweet Chariot Land Where Living Waters Flow	Wright arr. Hart Lister
I'll Meet You at the Jordan	Larson
Under God	arr. Mauldin
Look For Me Around the Throne Beyond the Cross Led By a Cloud	arr. Linn Lister Hopper
Not Gonna Worry Jesus, Hold My Hand	Wright Brumley
There Will Come A Day Get About God's Business	arr. Speck arr. Knight
Benediction—The Lord Bless You and Keep You	

Sound: **Ken Grady**
Light Technician: **Bill Johnson**
Product Manager: **Sue Larson**
Treasurer: **Marti Bower**
Child Care Coordinator: **Kerin Dickey**



The Men of Hope and Voices of Faith

"Get About God's Business"

Sharing the Gospel in Music
featuring the
Men of Hope and Voices of Faith
from
Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church
Hope, Rhode Island

Pastors
Rev. Bill Flug
Rev. Lynn McCracken

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The Men of Hope and Voices of Faith are now booking concerts for the remainder of 2005. Please contact Jean Grady at 401-828-4074 or book via the website at www.sovgospelchoir.com.

The Shepherd of the Valley Gospel Concert Series will be bringing top names in Southern Gospel music to Rhode Island in 2005, with great groups like The Journeymen, The Lesters, Brian Free and Assurance and The Toney Brothers. For more information, log on to www.gospelmusictoday.com or call 401-828-4074.

**May 6 The Journeymen Quartet
June 24 Brian Free and Assurance
July 22 The Lesters
August 12 The Men of Hope and Voices of Faith
Sept. 23 The Toney Brothers**

To view information about Shepherd of the Valley's Mixed Ensemble and Choir as well as view their concert schedule, log on to www.sovgospelchoir.com.

You can hear great gospel music groups on Gospel Music Today every Saturday at 11:30 a.m. on Cox Cable (channel 14).

CD's, audiotapes and merchandise will be available at the product table following the concert.

Men of Hope and Voices of Faith

David Dickey, Tenor, As the son of a Methodist minister, David enjoyed an upbringing strong in faith and spirituality. He states, "A right relationship with God brings joy. I seek to answer God's call by bringing this joy to others through my singing and work." He has been blessed with the marriage to his wife, Kerin, for 8 years and has a son, David Jay and a daughter, Katharyn Ann.

Rob Bower, Baritone, tells us that he "grew up singing in a Methodist church and can find no better way to spread the Word." Rob serves on the Board of Trustees for United Methodist Eldercare in East Providence and is Director of Publishing Services at RI College. He and his wife, Marti have been married 34 years, have 2 sons and reside in Hope, RI.

David Larson, Bass, lives in Hope, RI with Sue, his wife of 33 years. They have two daughters and two grandsons. Their oldest daughter is a United Methodist Church pastor. Dave is the director of the Youth Choir at Shepherd of the Valley and he states "My ministry is to spread the Word of God through music. If I can reach one person with the message that He loves us all, then I have been successful."

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Jean Grady, Soprano, has served as Music Director at Shepherd of the Valley UMC for the past 15 years. She is also an Account Executive for Computer Sciences Corp. and lives in Coventry, RI with her husband, Ken and their son, Rick. Jean believes that music is a way to bring people to the feet of Jesus and that through music and testimony, we can share the Good News of Jesus Christ as we "Get About God's Business".

Special Thanks

Obviously, no program of this size can be done by one person. There were so many people who were willing to volunteer their time and talents to make tonight a reality. First of all, to the joint choirs who climbed out of bed early each Saturday morning to attend rehearsals. It's a tough thing to do on your day off and is great appreciated.

Costume designers and makers Loxi Ellingwood and Denise Veitch can sew up a costume faster than any two people I know. They were busy with measuring, getting donations for material, resizing and dressing the wonderful drama team.

The all-volunteer Drama Team has been such a delight to work with. I never dreamed there was so much talent in this church. You can believe we will see some more of them in the future.

Don Potter and Geoff Simpson created our sets and props. A lot of building has been going on for the past two weeks and we are grateful for all their talents.

Phil Brindamour from Phenix Baptist Church was the designer of the flyers and bulletin inserts that you have seen. Thank you, Phil, for your artistic talent.

Other donations of material were Arnold Lumber, Simpson Housewrights, Walmart, Greystone Fabrics, Joanne's Fabric, the Fabric Place, Loxi Ellingwood, Denise Veitch, Nancy Steer, Martha Hartley, Ruth Tillinghast.

We thank Crystal Cleansers for pressing the costumes.

Dave Ellingwood, thank you for getting the ushers lined up for the two performances.

Our sound is controlled this evening by the Shepherd of the Valley Sound Engineer, Greg Taylor. Greg is a student at URI and assists us with sound at most of our concerts.

Up in the balcony, running the lights for this performance, is Ken Grady. Not only does he do a great job with lights and our traveling sound system, he also doubles as a wonderful husband to the Music Director at Shepherd of the Valley.

Our free-will offering this evening will be given to the Phenix Baptist Church soup kitchen. Please feel free to give generously to this wonderful program in the Pawtuxet Valley area.

I AM

a Resurrection cantata by
David Clydesdale

Presented by the joint choirs of
Shepherd of the Valley United
Methodist Church, Phenix Baptist
Church, North Scituate Baptist
Church, Trinity Episcopal Church
and the Drama team from
Shepherd of the Valley United
Methodist Church.

April 2-3, 1999

7:30 p.m.

at

Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church
Hope, Rhode Island

Jean Grady, Director

Choir Members

Soprano

Barbara Bicknell	Virginia Fryer
Rikki Bicknell	Beverly Hansen*
Nancy Briggs*	Zillah Huston*
Dorothy Brindamour*	Sue Larson
Bertha Brown-Spicer	Marion Weaver
Agnes Campopiano	Ruth Wolf
Mildred Farrar+	Linda Yeaw

Alto

Nikki Balukjian	Lisa Pellegrino
Marjorie Hiles	Ruth Potter
Debbie Johnson	Chris Taylor
Linda Niles+	Paula West
Shannon Niles#	

Tenor

Danny Beck	Geoff Simpson
Andrew Briggs*	Bob Sprague#
David Dickey	Herb Walker
Bill Flug	

Bass

Rob Bower	Alfred Hansen*
Rick Coy	Dave Larson
Dennis Grenier	Ken Taylor

* Phenix Baptist, # No. Scituate Baptist, + Trinity Episcopal

Drama Team

Bill Johnson	Jesus
Kerin Dickey	Woman at well
Liz Fisher	Mary
Joe Veitch (Fri.) Skip Crawford (Sat.)	Judas
Bear Pellegrino	Pilate
Don Potter, Fred Faria	Roman Soldiers
Charlie Weaver, Bill Fisher, Darryl Triggs	Disciples
Charlotte L'Heroux, Jacob Flug, Matt Bower,	
Seth Bower, Laura Faria, Beth Faria	Townfolk

I AM

by David Clydesdale

<i>I AM</i>	<i>Choir</i>
<i>Enter This Moment in Time Now</i>	<i>Choir</i>
<i>King Without a Crown</i>	<i>Choir and Drama Team</i>
<i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna</i>	<i>Choir and Drama Team</i>
<i>Who Can He Be?</i>	<i>Jesus and Woman at the Well</i>
	<i>soloist, Linda Yeaw</i>
<i>Jesus Knew Too Well</i>	<i>Choir</i>
<i>Part of Forever</i>	<i>Jesus and Disciples</i>
<i>Help This Shepherd Be a Lamb</i>	<i>Jesus</i>
	<i>soloist, David Dickey</i>
<i>Suddenly</i>	<i>Jesus and Roman Soldiers</i>
<i>Who Can He Be?</i>	<i>Pilate, Jesus and Roman Soldiers</i>
	<i>soloist, Rob Bower</i>
<i>Don't Cry for Me</i>	<i>Jesus and Roman Soldiers</i>
<i>Behold Interlude</i>	<i>Jesus</i>
<i>Behold the Man</i>	<i>Jesus and Townfolk</i>
<i>Mary's Song</i>	<i>Jesus and Mary</i>
	<i>soloist, Chris Taylor</i>
<i>It Was His Love</i>	<i>Jesus</i>
<i>Christ Arose Medley</i>	<i>Choir</i>
<i>Finale</i>	<i>Choir</i>