

Church Instruments

IN THE SANCTUARY



Möller Organ Opus 8093

Originally installed in 1951, the III manual/63 rank Möller organ provides the musical foundation for worship in the sanctuary. It has since been renovated twice, in 1988 and in 2006. The organ has 51 stops and 2,315 pipes making it one of the largest instruments in the Fayetteville metropolitan area. Its majestic tones support congregational singing.

Steinway Grand Piano

The beautiful 7-foot Steinway Grand Piano dates from 1872. It is a generous gift to the church from the estate of Frank Thompson in 2005.

Kawai Grand Piano

The 6'-9" Kawai grand piano in the chancel is used to accompany soloists and the chancel choir. It was manufactured in 1991.

IN THE CHAPEL

Möller Organ Opus 7954

The Möller organ in the chapel was originally installed in Eden, North Carolina in 1949. It was moved to Fayetteville for use in the chapel in 2011 and has been completely rebuilt by the Miller Pipe Organ Company, Buford Georgia. It was expanded from its original 8 ranks to 13 ranks of pipe. The refurbished organ was installed in the Chapel and dedicated in 2012 to the memory of Brenda Carter McFadyen.

Kawai Baby Grand Piano

The Chapel 5-foot baby grand Kawai piano was given in loving memory of Alton and Anne Edmondson in 1997.

Sperrhake Harpsichord

The Sperrhake Harpsichord is a double manual instrument, built in Passau, Germany in the 1960s. It has three sets of strings, which are plucked to produce a wonderful light string tone. The harpsichord was donated, refurbished and placed in the Chapel in 2012.

From the Director of Music Ministry

Music at First Presbyterian Church is dedicated first and foremost to the Glory of God. Whether instrumental or vocal, music is offered to the Lord as prayer, in thanksgiving, and in proclamation of God's goodness to us. The choirs and instrumentalists lead worship in the tradition of the Old Testament temple musicians, not as a performance for others but as an act of worship. Young children, preschool through elementary school, also participate in leading worship musically through the Children's Ministry program.

The Music Ministry Vision Team determines the direction for music and the ministry in order that all who wish to may share their gifts and talents.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Music Ministry at First Presbyterian Church, please contact me (910-483-0121 or marcia@firstprez.com). God may be calling you to use your talents. The Music Ministry welcomes all who feel called by God to offer their talents in gratitude, whether one is a beginning student of music, aspiring to learn music, or well accomplished in this art.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Dr. Marcia R. Heirman Merrin



First Presbyterian Church

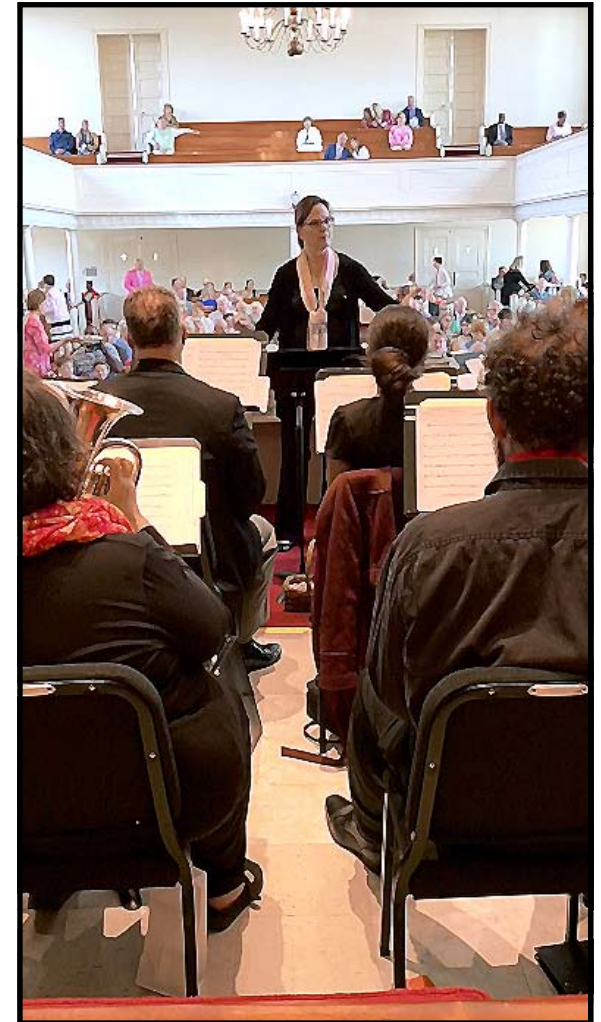
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MUSIC MINISTRY



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Adult Choruses

Celebration Choir *Wednesday, 6:00 p.m., Choir Room*

The Celebration Choir sings every week for the 11 a.m. service of worship as well as for other special services throughout the year. This SATB choir sings more complicated music in a wide variety of styles from classical and traditional, to spirituals, contemporary, and gospel, including one challenging major classical work each year. Participation is open to high school students through adults, upon a vocal evaluation and approval of the director. The Celebration Choir is under the direction of Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin. Childcare is available.

Chapel Choir *4th Sunday, 7:50 a.m., The Chapel*

The Chapel Choir sings on the fourth Sunday for the 8:30 a.m. Service of Worship in the Chapel. Rehearsals are at 7:50 a.m. on the Sunday the choir is singing. Anthems are simple in nature and in a wide variety of styles. The Chapel Choir is under the direction of Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin.

First Presbyterian Women's Ensemble

Sundays, 3:30 p.m., Choir Room

All women and high school girls are invited to join the SSA ensemble, which will lead worship once a month from October through April. For more information, contact the director, Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin.

Men of God *Sundays, 4:30 p.m., Choir Room*

All men are invited to join with this TB ensemble, which will lead worship once a month from September through May. Choral scholars from Methodist University will be singing with the group as well. For more information, contact Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin.

Children's Music

Wednesday Together *5:45-6:30 p.m.*

Joyful Praise (ages 3 and 4 to pre-K) and the **Children's Music Ministry** (grades K-5) learn and practice music on Wednesday nights and perform at worship services and special events during the year.

Sunday School

Music is an integral part of Sunday School instruction. In addition, children's classes meet as a group from 9:45-10:00 a.m. for special activities, including music and hymn singing.

Music Ministry Calendar

- November 18** Community Thanksgiving Service, 6 p.m., First Baptist on Anderson Street
- December 1** Rehearsal for Vivaldi's "Gloria," 1:30 p.m.
- December 2** Vivaldi's "Gloria," 11 a.m. service
- December 12** Children's Christmas Musical, 6:30 p.m.
- December 16** Church Orchestra performs Christmas music for both worship services
- December 24** Lessons and Carols at 5:30 p.m. worship
- January 5** Kindermusik Practicum, 11 a.m. Continues on Saturdays through January 26
- January 17** Music Vision Team meeting, 5:30 p.m.



Kindermusik@School Rooftop Program classes are part of the First School preschool curriculum for children ages 3 and 4. Children enrolled in First School will receive a Kindermusik class each week, introducing them to instruments, musical terms, movement and aural skills. Music enhances and improves literacy, mathematical skills, creativity, and social skills. Young children engaged in music develop a lifelong love of music.



Handbells

Canticle Handbell Choir

Sundays, 1:30 p.m., Handbell Room

Grade 7 through Adult. This is a group for ringers of all ability levels who want to experience the joy of ringing handbells for worship. They prepare handbell processions, hymn descants and bell repertoire to participate regularly in Worship Services and other programs.

Millennial Ringers *Sundays, 2:30 p.m., Handbell Room*

Young Adults. This group of young adults in the "millennial age group" (defined as born between 1983 and 2000) meets on Sundays to rehearse ensemble ringing. Some handbell experience is required; however, if you read music and would like to learn, please contact Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin.

Revelation Ringers

Sundays, 1:30 p.m., Handbell Room

Adults. This is a group of handbell ringers who want more! These ringers will explore the art of ensemble handbell ringing. (Ensemble ringing requires fewer ringers than a regular handbell choir.) They will ring for Services of Worship and other programs. Music reading ability and prior handbell experience is required for this ensemble.

Instrumentalists

Church Orchestra *Before Christmas & before Easter*

The church orchestra welcomes instrumentalists from 8th grade through adult, or by special permission. The orchestra meets for two periods each year and participates in worship during the holidays. Also, solo instrumentalists are encouraged to contact Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin (marcia@firstprez.com) to prepare music for worship throughout the year.

Class Participation in the Music Ministry

The Music Director would enjoy working with Sunday School classes who might be interested in singing during worship services 3 or 4 times a year. Contact Dr. Marcia Heirman Mervin.