



May 4, 2025
Mendelssohn Piano Trio

Since its founding in 1997, the Mendelssohn Piano Trio has performed over 500 concerts in the U.S., Europe and Asia. The Trio - Peter Sirotn, violinist, Fiona Thompson, cellist, and Ya-Ting Chang, pianist - embrace an extensive repertoire of over

100 works of music from all periods of the genre's history. Their program "Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man" explores the tension between tradition and innovation in music by Beethoven, Rachmaninoff and Korngold.

www.MendelssohnPianoTrio.com

Concert dates are firm at the time of posting and rarely change, but changes or cancellations by the artist/group and/or inclement weather may happen due to circumstances beyond our control. Changes will be posted at www.calvaryumc.org/concerts.



We sincerely thank our sponsors for their grant support which helped make these concerts possible.

Artistic expression, among the greatest of gifts offered to humankind, is meant to be shared with one another. It is the mission of Calvary's Music and Arts Ministry to offer quality programs to our congregation, and as an outreach to the entire community for little or no charge.

The Community Concert Series is not funded by the general church budget, and relies primarily on contributions of supporters like you. Your generous contribution will allow us to continue offering concerts by our own church musicians as well as artists from around the country and throughout the world.

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About Us...

The current Calvary Sanctuary, with its 90 foot tower housing a ring of 8 peal bells, was called "the little cathedral of Western Maryland" when it was constructed in 1929 on land donated by Joseph Dill Baker. In fact, this congregation saw several houses of worship since its beginning in Frederick with a 1770 visit from Robert Strawbridge, the founder of Methodism in America.

The Music Ministry of Calvary includes vocal choirs for children and adults as well as a contemporary guitar ensemble, handbell choir and, of course, the peal bells. You are warmly invited to be a part of it.

This Community Concert Series is but one way Calvary reaches out to the people of Frederick and beyond. We seek to be an active part of this community through several outreach and service ministries. For detailed information about all of our ministries, worship, and Sunday School opportunities, visit our website or contact the church office at the web address and phone number below. Come worship with us.

You are welcome here!

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Concerts begin at 3:00 p.m.
unless otherwise noted
(seating available at 2:30 p.m.)

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October 6, 2024

Dr. Brenda Portman,
organist

Award-winning organist and composer, and renowned for her technique, musicianship, and flawless performance ability, Dr. Brenda Portman will present a concert on Calvary UMC's new 4-manual, 46 rank Cornel Zimmer pipe organ. She serves as the Resident Organist at Hyde Park Community

United Methodist Church in Cincinnati, Ohio, where she is also the Executive Director of the church's renowned Organ Concert Series. She teaches organ instruction at Xavier University in Cincinnati. Dr. Portman has won numerous awards in national organ competitions and has collaborated with acclaimed Canadian composer Rachel Laurin.

www.BrendaPortman.com



November 3, 2024

Salon Trio

Accomplished and award-winning musicians, the Salon Trio features clarinetist Robert DiLutis, saxophonist Noah Getz, and pianist Mary-Victoria Voutsas. Their program,

"Influential Voices," explores the often-neglected chamber music of Black composers who helped forge a path for future generations of musicians. The program will include works by William Grant Still, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, and Yusef Lateef.

www.umdclarinet.com | www.noahgetz.com
www.maryvoutsaspiano.com

January 12, 2025

Dr. Marjory Serrano-Coyer, *violinist*
Dr. Hsin-Yi Chen, *pianist*



Join Dr. Marjory Serrano-Coyer, violinist, and Dr. Hsin-Yi Chen, pianist, for an unforgettable musical journey called "Tranquil Turbulence: A Musical Odyssey." Experience the charm and elegance of Salzburg with Mozart's masterful Sonata No. 26 in B flat major. Then, immerse yourself in the vibrant, exotic rhythms and harmonies with a sonata by Venezuelan composer Angel Sauce. Finally, conclude the

odyssey with the powerful and expressive Sonata in A major by French composer César Franck. This concert promises to showcase both technical mastery and expressive depth, delivering an afternoon of musical enchantment.

www.marjoryserrano.com



February 16, 2025

Brian Ganz,
pianist

Brian Ganz, a cornerstone of Calvary's Community Concert Series, returns for another "All-Chopin" program as he

continues his quest to perform every work of music by the great composer. This concert is an interactive and highly energetic performance where Mr. Ganz brings Chopin's music to life with emotional power and warmth.

www.BrianGanz.net



March 9, 2025

Brass of Peace

Sylvia Alimena, *conductor*

An auditioned ensemble, Brass of Peace features 15 gifted high-school musicians who participate in a 36-week intensive training program preparing them for the competitive field of music. Through weekly sessions by conductor Sylvia Alimena, former second hornist of the National Symphony for 29 years, these students build individual and ensemble skills along with confidence in performing. Their programs include works ranging from Bach, Brahms, and Mendelssohn to Mahler and Copland.

www.BrassOfPeace.org



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April 13, 2025

Anna Lapwood MBE, *organist*

This concert will begin at 4:00 p.m.
with seating starting at 3:00 p.m.

From the United Kingdom, international sensation and star Anna Lapwood MBE will present a mix of classical and contemporary organ favorites. Known for her passion to bring organ music to the masses with the goal of making it relevant and fun, Anna will delight and entertain as she engages all the colors and sounds of Calvary UMC's new Cornel Zimmer pipe organ. Anna is an associate artist of the Royal Albert Hall (London) and holds the position of Director of Music at Pembroke College (Cambridge). She was awarded an Associateship of the Royal Academy of Music and the prestigious Gamechanger Award from the Royal Philharmonic Society in 2023.

www.AnnaLapwood.co.uk

Due to demand and popularity, this event will require pre-paid tickets at a cost of \$20 + online fees per person. Seating is limited and is expected to fill to capacity.

NO WALK-INS. TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR. Details about advance ticket sales will be released to the Community Concert Series email list and posted at www.CalvaryUMC.org/concerts on February 1, 2025.

