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Friday, December 1, 2023 Milton Community Church



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Milton Community Church

12760 Birmingham Highway, Milton

Dr. Grant Gilman, conductor
Phil Van Gelder, narrator
Choir of Alpharetta Methodist Church
Alpharetta Symphony

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

"Pas de deux" from *The Nutcracker* Piotr Tchaikovsky

(1840 - 1893)

Sleigh Ride Leroy Anderson

(1908 - 1975)

O Holy Night Adolphe Charles Adam

(1803 - 1856)

arr. by Calvin Custer

Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer John Marks arr. by R. Landers

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Christmas Eve/Sarajevo 12/24 Paul O'Neill and Robert Kinkel

arr. by Bob Phillips

INTERMISSION

Concert Suite from *The Polar Express* Alan Silvestri and Glen Ballard

arr. by Jerry Brubaker

"Trepak" from *The Nutcracker* Tchaikovsky

'Twas the Night Before Christmas Douglas Meyer

"Hallelujah" from *Messiah* George Friderich Handel

(1685 - 1759)

Christmas Festival Leroy Anderson

(1908 - 1975)







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GUEST ARTISTS



Phil Van Gelder, narrator

Phil Van Gelder is a resident of Milton, Georgia, where he and his wife, Morgan, live with their three daughters. Phil is one of the owners of Atlanta Office Technologies (AOT), providing enterprise print management services and audio/visual solutions to corporations. Phil is also an Alpharetta Rotarian, on the board at Valor Christian Academy, and active in his local church and several non-profits.



Choir of the Alpharetta First United Methodist Church Barbara Holbrook, conductor

Featured on this concert is the choir of Alpharetta's First United Methodist Church, under the direction of Barbara Holbrook. This choir is comprised of volunteer singers from the community, which strengthens Alpharetta's strong choral (and musical) traditions. The Choir of Alpharetta First Untied Methodist rehearses and sings at weekly traditional services.



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THE ALPHARETTA SYMPHONY

Grant Gilman Conductor & Music Director

Violin I

Earl Hough † Briana Darden Claire Haneberg Susan Hanna

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Laurie Niedfeldt Qolette Richardson-Jackson Luca Veni

Michael Woodward

Violin II

Rachel Calahan Leesha Jones Sponsored by Stephen Jones Karen Kolpitcke

Sage Segal
Sponsored by The Nest Café

Midori Uyesugi

Sponsored by Kenji Uyesugi
Paul Wakim
Rand Wesker

Viola

Kim Stocksdale *
Sponsored by Joel and Kim Stocksdale
Peace Stegall **

Crystal Harrison Olivia Johnson

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Janee Minnick
Sponsored by UPS

Isobel Robinson-Ortiz

Cello

Rachel Bender * Alex Paul **

Jessalyn Palmer
Sponsored by Van and Diane Banke,

Arianna Valentino Andrea VerBurg

Bass

Mark Ribbens *
Jacob Lenz
Vance Meholic
Sponsored by Ralph and Christine Gleason

Flute

Missy Mahon **
Sponsored by James and Debra Mahon
Sponsored by St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic
Church Adult Choir

Chris Petre-Baumer Kim Stefanick

Piccolo

Chris Petre-Baumer

Oboe

Torrence Welch *

Clarinet

Barbaraan Bongiovanni * Sponsored by Joel Stocksdale Sponsored by Chuck Nelson

Robert Barnes Joel Stocksdale

Bass Clarinet

Robert Barnes

Bassoon

Avishay Ben-Zvi *

French Horn

Russell Williamson *
Brian Hedrick
Christi Lenz
Sponsored in memory of Tom Jones
Ben Vickery

Trumpet

Geary Newman *
Paul Fletcher

Sponsored by Townsend Fletcher Integrations

Scott Moninger

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Steve Toney

Sponsored in memory of Tom Jones

Trombone

Loren Haefer * Brad Griner Steve Sako

Tuba

Brian Faire

Timpani

Dominic Ryder *

Percussion

Noah Samuelson **
Jordan Benator

Keyboard

Matthew Alan Edwards

Harp

Tyler Hartley

Musicians in each section are listed in alphabetical order, after the principals.

[†] Concertmaster

^{*} Principal

^{**} Assistant Principal

^{***} Acting Principal

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A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN IN MUSIC

February 23 at 8:00pm **Alpharetta First United Methodist Church**

No, we're not talking about the Alicia Keys song or Katniss Everdeen.

These women composers may have been overlooked in their time, but their music is equally beautiful and masterfully written as any of their male counterparts. Includes a performance of a violin concerto by Florence Price, featuring Atlanta Opera violinist (formerly of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra), Helen Kim.





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