

RiverBells

S A C R A M E N T O

a community handbell ensemble

Paul W. Allen, *Music Director*

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Presents Its

Annual Holiday Concert

Friday, December 9, 2011

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3600 "J" Street, Sacramento, CA 95816

7:30pm

JOY TO THE WORLD

Antioch, Georg Frederick Handel
arr. Valeri Stephenson (2001)

A CALYPSO CHRISTMAS

arr. Kevin McChesney (1998)

Joy To the World

The First Noel

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Angels We Have Heard On High

CHANGE RING PRELUDE on "Divinum Mysterium"

13th century Plainsong
arr. Fred Gramann (2002)

CAROL FOR THE CHILD

Paul W. Allen (1991)

GOD REST YE MERRY, GENTLEMEN

English Carol, 18th century
arr. Valerie Stephenson (2002)

BLUE CHRISTMAS

Bill Hays and Jay Johnson
arr. Hart Morris (2002)

ON THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA, AND THE SANTA FE Harry Warren and Johnny Mercer
arr. Paul W. Allen (2004, 2009)

SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY

Bud Green, Les Brown, and Ben Homer
arr. Paul W. Allen (2005, 2011)

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Lewis H. Redner (1868)
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski (2003)

THE CHRISTMAS SONG

Mel Tormé and Robert Welles
arr. Douglas E. Wagner (1993)

SIYAHAMBA

South African Folk Song

WHITE CHRISTMAS

arr. Robert J. Ward (1997)

Irving Berlin
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski (1986)

ANGEL TIDINGS

Mendelssohn:

Charles Wesley, *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* (1739) and *Gloria*: Johann Sebastian Bach
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski (1985)

JINGLE BELLS

James Pierpoint
arr. Alan Lohr

The Ringers

Becky Buckingham Sue Clement
Susan Coddington-Allen Dawn Hansen
Marti Ikehara Pamela Jenkins
Sue Martz JennyMay Moore
LuAnn Radford Mercedes Riggelman
Leonard Schmidt Naomi Schmidt
Sandi Walker-Tansley Raquel Walkin
Sharon Wonder Mindy Wolfman

- RiverBells Ensemble coordinated by September Hope •
- Rehearsal and storage facility generously provided by Faith UMC •
- RiverBells cargo trailer donated by Daniel and Mercedes Riggelman •
- Table covers and RiverBells logo stitched by Elisabeth Walkin •

We are very grateful for your attention during tonight's performance. This is our *second* visit to this location, and we plan to be here *every* second Friday in December. We thank the administration, membership and friends of Faith UMC for making all of us feel welcomed. This is a free concert, presented in gratitude to our host. However your donation will supplement our ongoing efforts. A contribution of \$5 per person would be considered appropriate. Make checks out to "**RiverBells**."

RiverBells is an independent adult consort of handbell experiences and experiments (a CA non-profit and tax-exempt corporation). We are an open choir; if you ring and would like to audition for membership, call (916) 428-9719 or (916) 397-8727 or E-mail us at musicallen@comcast.net and we will set up an audition for you. If you *don't* ring but would like to learn, we will be glad to commence a beginner's class.

Our mission—to perform original music composed idiomatically for the English handbell choir, *and* to feature swing (Big Band) sounds on this unique percussion instrument—we hope lifts up, thrills, and challenges ringers and audiences. Fill out the tri-folded, color brochure if you'd like to be on our mailing list; take the stub as a record of your visit with us. If you want to contract for a performance at nearly any location, contact our con-

cert liaison **Dawn Hansen** at (916) 371-5289Hm or 376-2651Wk or at **dawn.riverbells@yahoo.com** or through the RiverBells website. We also perform **Saturday, Dec. 20** in the Capitol Rotunda at 12:15pm.