

# Music & Fine Arts

at First Presbyterian Church

# Arts for the *Soul*

**Stepping Out** *Into a New Season*

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**2008-2009 Concert Series**

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**Sing From the Heart** | Sunday - October 12, 2008 • 7:30 p.m. (in Great Hall)  
*Charity Fundraiser for McPhee Elementary Backpack Program*

Our second season opens with a new and exciting event, as *Arts for the Soul* reaches out to the neighborhood and the community with a benefit concert. Distributed by the Food Bank of Lincoln, food-filled backpacks are sent home from school with needy children on Fridays. Joining the First Presbyterian choir will be local favorites Malley Keelan, tenor, and Jack Rinke, piano. Music will include popular hits from your favorite musicals. Included in the ticket price is a delicious dessert and drink. A freewill offering will be taken for the backpack program. Join us for a wonderful evening of musical favorites, fabulous desserts, and a worthy cause. Seating is limited and by reservation only.

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**Silent Film—Safety Last** | Sunday - November 2, 2008 • 7:30 p.m.  
*Starring film star Harold Lloyd with live organ accompaniment by Brett Valliant*

Join us for a rare pleasure as we journey back to the golden era of the silent film. Brett Valliant is one of the few organists left who carry on the tradition of creating a live musical accompaniment for silent films. The main attraction will be the classic comedy/action film *Safety Last*. Harold Lloyd was one of the legends of the silent film era, and many consider this his best film. We will be serving up popcorn and fun! With the reduced price of this event you can truly bring the whole family, and let them experience the wonder of a bygone era.

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**A Celebration of Christmas** | Sunday - December 14, 2008 • 3:00 p.m.  
*Featuring the First Presbyterian Choir and guest instrumentalists, with special guest choir The Twelve from Union College—Dr. Brian Pfofner and Dr. Dan Lynn, conductors; Dr. Charles W. Ore, organist*

Join us for a spectacular celebration of the season, as we combine choir, brass, percussion and organ for a joyous afternoon of old and new favorites. The featured work will be the *Hodie* of Z. Randall Stroope. Joining us will be the wonderful chamber choir *The Twelve* from Union College, conducted by Dr. Dan Lynn. This concert is sure to put you in the Christmas spirit!

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**An Afternoon of Music and Dance** | Sunday - Feb. 22, 2009 • 3:00 p.m.

*Arts for the Soul* is truly “Stepping Out” for our second season, as we incorporate dance into our series. This unique event will combine music and dance to captivate both ear and eye. Performers will include professional dancers as well as local students, combining them with a variety of music. Don’t miss this one-of-a-kind event!

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**Karen Beardsley-Peters, Soprano** | Sunday - April 26, 2009 • 7:30 p.m.  
*Joined by Maitland Peters, baritone, and Catherine Herbener, piano*

Soprano Karen Beardsley-Peters’ dynamic voice and extraordinary presence on stage have been applauded by audiences and critics alike, having sung over 60 leading roles in the foremost opera houses of the world. She has been a member of the Manhattan School of Music Voice Faculty since 1996. She will be joined by her husband Maitland, who is Chairman of the Voice Department at Manhattan School of Music, as well as being an award-winning baritone himself. Join us for an evening of captivating songs from opera to Broadway.