

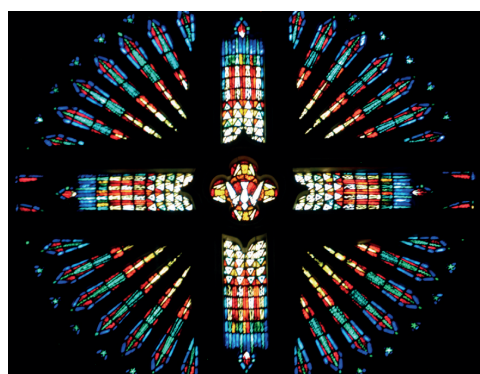


53rd Year

2023–2024

BACH

Cantata Vespers



**Grace Lutheran Church
River Forest, Illinois**

**Sunday afternoons
Lecture at 3:00 p.m.
Prelude at 3:45 p.m.**

September 24

BWV 148

Bringet dem Herrn Ehre seines Namens

Bring to the Lord the honor due his name

Stephen Bouman, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Park Ridge, Illinois, homilist

Francis Poulenc: Organ Concerto in G minor; **Nicole Keller**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, organist

October 29

BWV 109

Ich glaube, lieber Herr, hilf meinem Unglauben!

I believe, dear Lord, help my unbelief!

Roger Ferlo, St. Paul & the Redeemer Episcopal Church, Chicago, Illinois, homilist

Mendelssohn-Bartholdy: String Symphony No. 7 in D minor

November 19

BWV 70

Wachet! Betet! Betet! Wachet! *Watch! Pray! Pray! Watch!*

Jill Peláez Baumgaertner, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, homilist

Michael D. Costello, Grace Lutheran Church and School, River Forest, Illinois, organ prelude

December 25

BWV 63

Christen, ätzt diesen Tag *Christians, engrave this day*

Performed as part of Grace's 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day service of Holy Communion

David R. Lyle, Grace Lutheran Church and School, River Forest, Illinois, homilist

January 28

BWV 81

Jesus schläft, was soll ich hoffen? *Jesus sleeps, what can I hope for?*

Karoline M. Lewis, Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota, homilist

Kontras Quartet: Eleanor Bartsch, François Henkins, Ben Weber, and Jean Hatmaker

February 25

BWV 144

Nimm, was dein ist, und gehe hin *Take what is yours and go away*

Ole Schenk, United Lutheran Church, Oak Park, Illinois, homilist

Florence Price: Andante Moderato for Strings; **Vivian Fung**: Pizzicato for String Orchestra

Richard Hillert: Prelude to Evening Prayer

March 24

BWV 182

Himmelskönig, sei willkommen *King of Heaven, welcome*

Jerome Burce, Roaming Shores, Ohio, homilist

Steven Wentz, Concordia University Chicago, organist

April 21

BWV 12

Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen *Weeping, wailing, fretting, fearing*

Michael D. Costello, Grace Lutheran Church and School, River Forest, Illinois, homilist

Joseph Haydn: Symphony No. 30 in C Major ("Alleluia")

Kapelle of Concordia University Chicago, guest choir; **Charles P. Brown**, conductor

May 19

BWV 37

Wer da gläubet und getauft wird *Whoever believes and is baptized*

Amy Gillespie, St. James Lutheran Church, Lake Forest, Illinois, homilist

Stephen Buzard, St. James Cathedral, Chicago, Illinois, organist

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