



OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our Saviour's Good Friday Service to Feature Works of Heinichen, Mozart

Weidlich, Hadari are Featured Performers at 7:30 p.m. Service on Friday, April 2

FAIRFIELD, Conn., March 7, 2010 – Musicians at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church will perform pieces by Johann David Heinichen and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart during the church's 7:30 p.m. Good Friday service on April 2. The public is invited to attend.

The service will feature a cantata setting of Psalm 129, "Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord," sung in Latin by Baritone **Richard Weidlich**. Written by the German Baroque composer Johann David Heinichen (1683-1729) for solo voice and strings, the accompanying ensemble will be led by Violinist **Netta Hadari**, and will include Music Interns **Matthew Laponte** on viola and **Kate Victor** on cello.

Both Laponte and Victor are 2008 graduates of Fairfield Ludlowe High School. Laponte is currently attending Brown University in Providence, R.I.; Victor is attending William Paterson University in Wayne, N.J.

The string ensemble also will accompany the Adult Choir in the beloved Ave Verum by W. A. Mozart, led by Music Director **Dr. Alice Caldwell**.

Named artist-in-residence at Our Saviour's in 2008, Weidlich is an active performer in many genres, and is Professor of Voice at Western Connecticut State University. Recent engagements include *The True Story of Cinderella* in Greenwich.; Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* in New Canaan.; *The Messiah* in Lake Charles, La.; *Aspects of Love* at The Player's Club, New York City; and *Rejoice in the Lamb* in Westport.

Hadari was named artist-in-residence at Our Saviour's in 2006, and performs regularly in special music programs at the Fairfield church. He holds Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Music from Southern Methodist University and Yale University, respectively, and has performed in solo engagements in Portugal, South Africa, Israel, Japan and the United States. Teaching is a major part of his life; he has a private violin studio in Fairfield, and is an adjunct professor at Fairfield University.

For more information, contact the church at (203) 255-0545. Our Saviour's is located at 160 Hill Farm Road (corner of Duck Farm Road) in Fairfield.

About Our Saviour's

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), reaches out to the world and to its local communities with the Good News of the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The congregation receives strength for this mission through Worship, Christian Education, Service, Benevolent Giving, Witness, Mutual Support and a commitment to grow in faith and participation. Our Saviour's is guided in the belief that, "As God Gives to Us, So We Give to Others."

Holy Communion is celebrated during worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. The church also offers Sunday School and Adult Forum programs at 9:30 a.m. For more information, please call (203) 255-0545 or visit us at www.oursaviours.net.

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