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The Times: They Are a Changin'

We can all agree that there's a lot going on in the world today — in the world, in our lives, and in our churches. Our purpose as members of The Fellowship has always been to "transform the world by assisting worship leaders to create meaningful worship experiences that bring people into a deeper relationship with God and each other." This past June we experienced that as Brian Hehn led us in meaningful, transformative worship at our Annual Church Music Workshop. With over 100 adults & youth in attendance, we had a magnificent week filled with fellowship, worship, singing, ringing, dancing, art, drumming, and much more. These experiences that we had been missing during the pandemic, we were able to enjoy once again.

It is now time for us to continue our mission and to start planning and looking forward to next summer's workshop. I know all of you will continue to keep our Workshop Chairpersons, Kristin & Brian Dow, and our newly elected Workshop Chair-Elect, Monica Berovides-Hidalgo, and our Workshop Planning Committee as they start the task of assessing this past summer's workshop and planning next years.

There are exciting things in store for The Fellowship this coming year starting with the hiring of a new Executive Director, Camisha Chambers, and a new Publications & Communications Director, Erica Rushing. If you are not a member of The Fellowship, I encourage you to join. The National Council of The Fellowship is working hard to communicate and connect with all of the membership and improve the connections, resources, and renewal offered by The Fellowship.

Joan FitzGerald, Chapter President



2023 Annual Church Music Workshop Week of June 11th, 2023

2023 Annual Church Music Workshop

Thank you to all who attended the 2022 Annual Church Music Workshop in June. More than 100 people gathered at the Warren Willis Conference Center in Fruitland Park for a week of worship, music, fellowship, learning, and renewal around the theme Draw the Circle Wide. Despite a few hiccups with the meal service, we had a wonderful experience throughout the week.

We were led by our very talented clinicians: Brian Hehn for worship, Mark Burrows for youth choir, Andrew Minear for adult choir, and Claudia Dew for bells. The hard work through the week was on full display at our final concert on Friday, which was well attended by friends and family.

We'd like to thank the committee, volunteers and teachers without whom the workshop would not have been possible: Margot Almond, Monica Berovides-Hidalgo, Bryan Browning, Tom DeLessio, Keith Dyer, Christian Faux, Jeff Faux, Joan FitzGerald, Karen Forrester, Beth Green, Kirsten Henriksen, Cindy Huffman, Tom Huffman, Bryant Manning, Kathy Nolasco, Stephany Nystrand, Rosalie Pareja, Ben Reid, Chris Titko, Austen Wilson, and the Youth Team.

We also want to thank Beethoven & Company (www.beethovenandcompany.com/) who helped us navigate a difficult time in the print music industry and acquire our performance music. Please consider doing business with them in the future.

We are already planning for next year's workshop for the week of June 11, 2023 and we'd love to have your help! Please email Kristin at music@crawfordvilleumc.org if you might be interested in being part of our planning team or if you just have some great ideas for us.

If you attended Workshop this year and didn't get a chance to fill out our participant, please help us make 2023 even better by taking a few minutes to give us your feedback at https://forms.gle/A8kynsBtdinQwxV39

Blessings, Kristin and Brian Dow

2022 Workshop Memories







Dr. Andrew Minear working with Adults



Advanced Handbells Warm-Ups with Handbell Clinician, Claudia Dew



Youth Vespers Worship Team

Youth Workshop

Something I am surprised by every year (though I really shouldn't be at this point) is how deeply the kids engage with the camp. Every year seeing the campers worshiping with honest spirits at vespers, watching them pay close attention during classes, and even simply taking us seriously when we ask them to sit with campers they haven't met before. This year, during my Sacred Pathways class, I had two campers who tended to be a little quiet and I was worried sometimes that the lessons weren't really landing in any meaningful way. Yet by the end of the week they were both sharing things they had learned about themselves, and it was clear that they had taken on the fair as a more personal thing, rather than something simply inherited. Every year I see this play out, not always with classes, but always somewhere. In worship, in choir, even in games where the fierce competition in the 9-square box gives way to compassionate support and mercy. We, as well as the rest of the world, have had our fair share of struggles over the last couple of years, and not every organization has made it out intact. I am pleased as anything else to see that this camp still retains the focus on Christ and the openness to the Holy Spirit that makes the camp special year after year, this year being no exception.

Christian Faux, Youth Co-Dean

2022 Workshop—Youth Highlights



Campfire



Youth Rehearsal w/Mark Burrows



Opening Worship Service on Sunday Night

Scholarships

2022 Scholarship Winners



Grant Pulen Music Scholarsahip Savannah Justice



Cadence Dow Zoey Hirschfeld Isabel Lopez



Jody Dillon Randi Imbrow Gail Schrader

Grant K. Pulen Music Scholarship

Named for a founding member of the *Florida Chapter of the Fellowship*, it provides an annual award of \$2,000 to a full-time student majoring in music at an accredited college or university. The 2023 deadline for the submission of an application and the supporting materials is May 15, 2023. The Grant Pulen Scholarship will be awarded at our 2023 Workshop Closing Workshop Concert.

Rosie-Jean Scholarship

Named in honor of Roselyn Langdale and Jean Bennett, two well-known members and mentors of the Florida Chapter, the scholarship provides the Registration Fee for a first-time attendee at the Adult Church Music Workshop. The 2023 deadline for the submission of your application and the supporting recommendation is May 15, 2023.

Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of illustrious Florida Chapter members who lived their lives in distinguished service to God in worship, and to others in fellowship, the scholarship provides Registration and Room & Board fees for a first-time attendee at the Summer Youth Music Camp. The 2023 deadline for the submission of your application and the supporting recommendation is May 15, 2023.

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Congratulations to our newly elected 2022-2024 Chapter Officers



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What is the Fellowship of United Methodists in Music & Worship Arts?

The Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts exists to assist worship leaders in creating meaningful worship experiences that bring people into deeper relationships with God and each other. Founded in 1955 as the National Fellowship of Methodist Musicians, The Fellowship has grown to include worship artists, clergy, and laity involved in aspects of worship from a variety of denominations and experiences.

Our Calling

We are Christians embracing God's artistic gifts to create world-transforming worship.

Our Values

- Worship Arts that lead to spiritual growth and faith formation.
- Relationships that lead to hospitality, fellowship and nurture.

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