

Eaton Rapids Fall Handbell Festival
Saturday, November 2, 2019
First United Methodist Church
Eaton Rapids, MI

Director Name: _____ Date: _____

Church/Organization Name _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Handbell Ensemble Name: _____

Registration Form and Fees Due by October 19, 2019

- I will would like to register _____ ringers @ \$10.00 per person
- I would like to register _____ entire group(s) at \$60.00 per group: Total ringers _____

Please indicate which division you will be ringing: Coppers (Level 3) Tins (Level 1)

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Tables will be provided by First United Methodist Church of Eaton Rapids (FUMER) at no charge on a first come, first served basis. You are welcome to bring your own tables if desired. Please note that foam will NOT be provided by FUMER.

- I will bring **my own** tables and need _____ feet of space available.
- I will use tables provided by FUMER and will need _____ feet of table.

Please return this form and your check payable to "First United Methodist Church" to:

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► Please register early. Space is limited! ◀

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Information

What: Eaton Rapids Fall Handbell Festival

Where: First United Methodist Church, 600 S. Main Street, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827

When: Saturday, November 2, 2019

Time: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Repertoire

Massed:

Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine arr. Brenda E Austin, Soundforth 20/2147SF L2

Majestic Alleluia, Joel Raney, Hope 2876 L2

Tins:

Joyful Praise Susan E Geschke, Chorister's Guild CGB447 4 or 5 octaves L1+

CGB446 2 or 3 Octaves L1+

Coppers:

When the Poor Ones, arr. Kyle Webber, Lorenz, 20/2109L Level 3

Music must be ordered and prepared prior to the festival.

What to bring

Generally, if you use it in rehearsal, please bring it to the festival.

Schedule

8:30am – 9:00am: Arrival & Set-up

9:00am – 10:00am: Massed Rehearsal

10:00am – 10:15am: BREAK

10:15am – 11:00am: Tins in Rehearsal – Coppers in Class

11:00am – 11:15am: BREAK

11:15am – 12:00pm: Coppers in Rehearsal – Tins in Class

12:00pm-12:45pm: LUNCH

12:45pm – 1:45pm: Massed Rehearsal

1:45pm- 2:00pm: Tins Run Through – Coppers BREAK

2:00pm – 2:15pm: Coppers Run Through – Tins BREAK

2:30pm – 3:00pm: Closing Concert **with special guest: Detroit Handbell Ensemble!**

Our Clinicians

Brenda E. Austin is a dynamic and energetic conductor, clinician and composer. She has served as the Artistic Director for the Detroit Handbell Ensemble since 2016. Under her baton, DHE was honored to open the Handbell Musicians of America National Seminar in 2018 and be the featured concert for HMA's AREA 2 in Lancaster PN. In 2019, Brenda joined the team at Hope Publishing Company in Carol Stream, IL as Editor in charge of the Handbell Catalogue. Additionally, she has served First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids, MI, as Director of Worship and Music since 2003 where she directs 3 handbell choirs. She is also active in the community directing Children's musical theatre and handbell choirs.

Brenda graduated with degrees in Vocal Performance from Western Michigan University and a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Missouri – Kansas City. She has studied with Craig Arnold, Steve Zegree and Eph Ehly.

Brenda is in demand as a handbell clinician throughout the year and has been the conductor and clinician at numerous festivals and workshops including HMA National Seminar, AREA 5 and AREA 4 Spring Festivals. Additionally, she has had more than 50 titles published for handbells since 2014.

Kyle Webber graduated in 2004 with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education and has been leading choirs, handbell choirs and playing organ/piano in churches for the past 20+ years.

Kyle joined the staff as Director of Music Ministries at Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills, MI on August 1, 2017. Most recently, Kyle served as full-time director of music ministries and organist at First United Methodist Church in Chelsea, MI and First United Methodist Church in Gainesville, Florida. Kyle has led comprehensive music ministries consisting of adult, children/youth vocal and handbell choirs. In Chelsea, Kyle was very active in the community and built a music ministry consisting of five handbell choirs!

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Kyle has previous experience teaching and conducting at the Peggy Van Vleck Memorial Ring in Grand Blanc, MI, Eaton Rapids Handbell Festival and Area 5 Handbell Musicians of America. Kyle currently serves as Member-At-Large on the National Board of Directors for the Handbell Musicians of America. Kyle has also served as Associate Director for the Detroit Handbell Ensemble as well as a ringer in the same ensemble. Kyle resides in Chelsea, Michigan with his wife and three children.

SPECIAL GUESTS: DETROIT HANDBELL ENSEMBLE!

Attendees will be graced with the dulcet tones of the Detroit Handbell Ensemble for a mini-concert of their own. Members of the ensemble will also be involved in massed rehearsal and as clinicians for classes.

The ensemble, which began in 1991 with founding director Susan Berry, is an auditioned handbell choir that provides both educational and performance opportunities for southeast Michigan and northwest Ohio. Gifted organist and clinician Dr. Michael Burkhardt provided musical direction from 2010 to 2016 and talented handbell music composer Austin became the Artistic Director in Fall 2016.

The Detroit Handbell Ensemble includes members who are musicians, educators and business professionals from across southeastern Michigan. The group rehearses one evening a week during the academic year. For information about how *you* can become the newest member, please see our website.

www.detroithandbellensemble.org

Questions?

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