



OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our Saviour's to Host Evening of Global Song

Community Invited to November 9 Event Featuring Yale's Patrick Evans

FAIRFIELD, Conn., October 26, 2008 – Our Saviour's Lutheran Church will host "Global Song in Local Worship," an evening of community singing led by Patrick Evans of Yale University, on Sunday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. The event is open to the public and admission is free.

"We invite our neighbors in the Greater Bridgeport area to join us for an evening of hymns and ritual songs from the global church," said Dr. Alice Caldwell, music director of Our Saviour's. "We will be singing many wonderful, inspirational songs from Asia, Latin America and Africa, along with songs from Europe and North America."

Professor Evans, Associate Professor in the practice of sacred music at Yale, is also Director of Music for the daily ecumenical worship at Yale's Marquand Chapel, where he works with the Dean of Chapel, student chapel ministers and musicians, and a wide range of students, faculty and guests from varied denominational backgrounds and musical traditions.

He recently joined a team of church musician/teachers convened by the United Methodist Church's General Board of Global Missions, spending two weeks in Uganda, teaching and learning from church musicians and pastors from that country, as well as from Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi and Sudan.

"Professor Evans is known for his work with urban congregations seeking to renew their musical worship traditions, blending the traditional Western canon with global hymnody, African-American gospel traditions, and other musical and liturgical artistry in multicultural communities of faith," said Dr. Caldwell.

At the November 9 sing-along concert, Professor Evans will be accompanied by the choirs, soloists and instrumentalists of Our Saviour's. A free-will offering will be collected to support the church's music program.

For more information about the November 9 event and other programs, contact Our Saviour's at (203) 255-0545. The church is located at 160 Hill Farm Road (corner of Duck Farm Road) in Fairfield.

Editor's Note: To download a hi-res image of Professor Patrick Evans, please go to: <http://www.yale.edu/ism/events/ArtworkDatabase.html>.

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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