



OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our Saviour's To Host June 7 Concert Featuring Palaver Strings *Boston-based ensemble to perform in 7 pm program*

FAIRFIELD, Conn., May 21, 2017 – Our Saviour's Lutheran Church will host a concert featuring the Boston-based ensemble Palaver Strings on Wednesday, June 7, at 7 pm.

The performance will feature works such as Béla Bartók's *Divertimento for Strings* and *Romanian Folk Dances*, Anton Arensky's *Variations on a Theme of Tchaikovsky*, John Dowland's *Lovers' Tears*, and Elder Joseph Brackett's *Simple Gifts*.

The concert is part of the group's "Simple Gifts" tour that includes appearances in New York, Washington, D.C., Vermont, Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, Western Massachusetts and the group's hometown of Boston.

Palaver Strings, a musician-led string orchestra, is dedicated to the collaborative interpretation of classical masterworks. The ensemble was formally founded in 2014 by a group of young musicians from the Boston area. More information about the group can be found at www.palaverstrings.org.

According to the group's website, "Each member of Palaver Strings is passionate about taking classical music beyond the concert hall to engage with diverse and new audiences. It is in this personal and unconventional setting that Palaver Strings is able to use music to aid the discussion of social issues, promote education and healing, and inspire our peers and community to support the arts."

The June 7 program will feature "classical masterworks and folk melodies alike, framed by words from American poets, artists, historical figures and current visionaries," said Alice Caldwell, music director of Our Saviour's. "Letting music take over where words fall short, we invite you to join us in a shared musical experience. As music gives us a time and place to reflect, we hope to bring communities closer together: made stronger by their diversity, wiser through dialogue, and more compassionate through shared experience. Palaver Strings' simple gift is music."

A freewill offering (suggested minimum donation of \$10) will be collected to help pay for the costs of the event.

Our Saviour's is located at 160 Hill Farm Road in Fairfield. For more information, contact the church at (203) 255-0545 or visit www.oursaviours.net.

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." During the summer (through Labor Day), Holy Communion is celebrated during worship at 9:30 am each Sunday. At other times of the year, two services are held each Sunday, at 8:30 am and 10:30 am, with Sunday School and Adult Discussion held between services at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call (203) 255-0545 or visit us at www.oursaviours.net.