



The Chamber Chorale
of Fredericksburg
directed by
Mary-Hannah Klontz
presents

# Honoring Everyday Heroes

Patriotic & Popular Songs

and the premiere of

American Heroes in Red, White

and Blue.

Saturday, September 24, 2016 3:00 & 7:30 pm

The Presbyterian Church in Fredericksburg, VA 810 Princess Anne Street



# **HONORING EVERYDAY HEROES**

# IN TRIBUTE TO MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FIRST RESPONDERS

America, the BeautifulMusic, Samuel Ward, Words, Katharine Lee Bates arr. Mark Hayes
Narration by Christine Melendez, Jim Corrow, Beth Bullock and David Way
Service Song MedleyTraditional
Please stand when you hear the song of the branch of service you wish to honor: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard
Stand Tall O ManKen Berg Bryan Stenson, guest conductor
HeroMariah Carey and Walter Afanasief Jessica Wood, mezzo-soprano
AnthemTim Rice, Benny Andersson and Björn Ulvaeu Bryan Stenson, tenor
The ImpossibleKelley Lovelace and Lee Thomas Mille Sean Wilson, baritone
Truly BraveSara Bareilles, Jack Antonoff, Billy Steinberg and Tom Kelly Created by Sara Bareilles and Cyndi Lauper to support pediatric cancer patients
American Heroes in Red, White and BlueMary-Hannah Klontz Soloists Karen Stone, David Way, Ruth Kochenour, Darrell Cooper
All those who protect and serve are invited to come to the

front of the church



## **INTERMISSION**

### MORE HEROES WANTED: APPLY WITHIN

I Have Confidence in MeRichard Rodgers Alyssa Irby, alto
Superman
Go the Distance
Star Wars-John Williams is the ManJohn Williams & George Lukas A tongue-in-cheek tribute arranged by MisterTim Larry Crosswell, Ken Wayne, Jim Corrow, Jeremy Vaughn, Joe Eveler
O I Believe I Can Fly
City Called HeavenTrad. Spiritual, arr. Josephine Poelinitz Christine Melendez, soprano
Alyssa Irby, guest conductor
Beautiful CityStephen Schwartz, arr. Mac Huff Autumn Ross, soprano
True Light

#### DIRECTOR'S NOTES...

Merriam-Webster's dictionary defines a hero as one who is greatly admired for great or brave acts or fine qualities. For many, Superman or Superwoman come to mind, but are Superheroes our only icons? Do we have real heroes walking among us? I believe that we do.

Since the 9/11 attacks, the war on terrorism and other upheavals in our society have created significant challenges and required tremendous sacrifice. As we mark 15 years since the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks, the Chamber Chorale invites you to join us in honoring the everyday heroes in our community who serve bravely as first responders and in our military. In the first half of the program, we specifically honor their service and their sacrifice.

The arrangement of "America the Beautiful" was created by Mark Hayes in response to the September 11th attacks. He was in New York City on that day with his mother and sister, visiting his father in the ICU, when the news came on the TV. His brother was serving as a Naval officer and was often at the Pentagon and the family was very worried. They returned to the friend's home where they were staying and Mark was asked to play some music to help comfort everyone. He sat down and created this arrangement on that day.

"American Heroes in Red, White and Blue" was also written in response to September 11th for a career day in an Arlington elementary school, to honor those who protected and served during the attack on the Pentagon: fire and rescue, emergency room doctors and nurses, law enforcement and the military. We invite all who serve in this capacity to come up and take a bow with us at the end of the song that we sing in your honor.

Not only do we honor these public servants, but also those who act heroically in their private lives. Consider the heroism of the 40 passengers and crew of Flight #93 who banded together to thwart the terrorist attack planned on the United States Capitol. What was it that fueled their heroism? What qualities do heroes have?

In the second half of our program, we explore qualities that may be important for the real-life hero we seek: confidence, sacrifice, heart, fortitude, a sense of humor, belief and faith. Look around, and look inside your heart – "When you feel like hope is gone, look inside you and be strong, and you'll finally see the truth, that a hero lies in you" ("Hero" by Mariah Carey).

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