



# Lenten Musical Moments

**Wednesday, March 18, 2026  
12:00pm**

**Greer Lyle, soprano  
Nerva Altino, organ/piano**

Welcome, Scriptures, and Prayer

Prayer ..... David Guion

The Crucifixion ..... Samuel Barber

How Can I Keep From Singing? ..... Sally DeFord and James Loynes

Vocalise no 1 ..... R. Vaughn Williams

Be Thou My Vision ..... Bob Chilcott

Were You There? ..... Harry T Burleigh

Agnus Dei ..... Bizet

Teach my Heart to See ..... Shail  Elder Claypool

Gethsemane ..... Linda Chapman

Benediction

Postlude: Give me Jesus ..... Moses Hogan

**Greer Lyle's** artistry is blooming in the concert world today, being noted for her ability to “combine brilliance with subtle nuance.” (Rutland Herald) Ms. Lyle made her professional debut in 2018 as a Gerdine Young Artist with Opera Theatre of Saint Louis. Once there, she earned the Gaddes Career Award and invitation to return as a Gerdine Young Artist in 2019. In spring of 2021, Ms. Lyle competed at the semifinalist level for the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. Greer is a graduate of the renowned Yale School of Music, where she attended full scholarship, receiving a Certificate in Performance in May 2022. Ms. Lyle’s recent performances include Berlioz's Les Nuits d'été (Summer Nights) with the Hamptons Festival of Music, Opquin's In Dreams Awake with Chamber Music Amarillo, Beethoven’s 9th Symphony with the Yale Symphony, Vilette’s Messe da Pacem with the Yale Camerata, and selections from Rusalka and Le Nozze di Figaro with the St. Louis Symphony. Greer is passionate not only about her own musical pursuits, but also about youth ministry and the role music plays in shaping young lives. She serves our church as the Director of Youth Ministries and Children’s Music. To continue strengthening her skills and expand her leadership, Ms. Lyle is pursuing a Bachelor of Liberal Arts with a concentration in business administration and management through the Harvard Extension School, as well as working toward her Youth Ministry Leadership certification through the Yale Youth Ministry Institute.

**Nerva Altino** began his piano studies with his late father, a former amateur church pianist in his homeland, Haiti. At 12 years old, Nerva went on to study at the Davis Music Studio, where he studied piano and organ. At 18, Nerva continued his musical training at the Atlantic Union College (AUC), where he studied piano, organ, and Sacred music. Following his studies at AUC, Nerva was accepted into the Manhattan School of Music, where he received a Master’s Degree in Piano Performance. Nerva’s genre blending style has taken him all over the world, including tours throughout the US, China, Europe, and the Caribbean. As a pianist, he has performed in many prestigious venues which include Carnegie Hall, Avery Fischer Hall (now David Geffen), Shanghai Symphony Hall, and others. As an organist, he has performed on some of the largest pipe organs in the world, including the Riverside Church, NYC, Woolsey Hall (Yale University), Mechanics Hall, and churches/Cathedrals in Europe. Nerva is part of a piano duo team with his brother, Robenson — together, they are known as the “Altino Brothers”. In addition, he currently serves as Director of Music Ministries here at The Congregational Church of New Canaan.

### *You Are Invited*

**Wednesday, March 25th at 12:00pm-** Lenten Musical Moments featuring Megan Maloney, soprano

**Sunday, March 29th at 10:00am -** Palm Sunday service with Children's and Chancel Choirs

**Wednesday, April 1 at 12:00pm-** Lenten Musical Moments featuring Cole Stephenson, bass

**Thursday, April 2 at 8:00pm-** Maundy Thursday service with Chancel Choir

**Sunday, April 5 at 9:00am and 11:00am services-** Easter Day with Chancel Choir, guest instrumentalists and organ. There will be a 10-minute prelude before each service.

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