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# Music & Arts Series 2022-2023



**The First Church of Christ  
in Hartford  
"Center Church"**

**Founded in 1632**

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United Church of Christ



**Sunday, October 16, 2022**  
**4:00 pm Concert**  
**Paul Bisaccia**

CONCERT PIANIST

***The Stars and Stripes Forever –  
 The Great American Piano***

A prolific and versatile concert/recording artist, Paul Bisaccia has performed concerts on 4 continents. His PBS television shows, Gershwin by Bisaccia and Paul Bisaccia and the Great American Piano have been seen by millions.



**Sunday, January 1, 2023**  
**4:00 pm Concert**  
**Greater Hartford Handel Messiah**  
**Community Sing/Concert**

15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHORAL EVENT

This Hartford area tradition is a holiday favorite with open doors to a full audience and a hundred or more Hartford singers with outstanding soloists singing the Christmas portion of the Messiah. Singers are to arrive at 3:00 pm and seated by 3:30 for warmup. No registration necessary.



**Sunday March 26, 2023**  
**4:30 pm Concert**  
**Nat Reeves**

JAZZ BASSIST

**and Friends**

***An Afternoon of Jazz***

World renowned performer Nat Reeves returns to Center Church with his musical colleagues!



**Sunday, December 11, 2022**  
**10:30 am Service**  
**Sarah Hanahan**

SAXOPHONIST

**and her Jazz Quartet**  
***A Jazz Christmas***

Enjoy a Jazz Concert from 11:30 am -12:00 pm following the service!

Already a featured performer at festivals across the country, Center Church welcomes back this young vibrant saxophonist from New York. Sarah's ensemble was awarded "2019 Best Jazz Band" by CT Now Readers Poll.



**Sunday January 15, 2023**  
**10:30 am Service**  
**Voices of Hartford**

VOCAL ENSEMBLE

This new premiere musical group from our very own city comes to share on MLK Sunday!



**Sunday April 30, 2023**  
**4:00 pm Concert**  
**The Shoreline Ringers**

HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

Having performed at Carnegie Hall and with the US Coast Guard Band, The Shoreline Ringers have been amazing audiences since 2006 with the art and beauty of handbell music.

