



About Our Series

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Music & Arts Series 2023-2024



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

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Sunday, November 5, 2023
4:00 pm Concert
UConn Gospel Choir
 CONCERT

Center Church welcomes The University of Connecticut's Voices of Freedom Gospel Choir to our historic Meeting House. This unique student ensemble, under the direction of the Rev. Lisa Clayton, provides personal elevation and enlightenment of the gospel and spiritual music of the Black Experience Church.



Sunday, January 7, 2024
4:00 pm Concert
Greater Hartford Handel Messiah
Community Sing/Concert
 16TH 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 10, 2024
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 10, 2023
10:30 am Service
Sarah Hanahan
 SAXOPHONIST
and her Jazz Quartet
A Jazz Christmas

Enjoy a Jazz Concert from 11:30 am -11:50 am 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 May 19, 2024
10:30 am Service
Sacred Steel

ST. LUKE'S STEEL DRUM ENSEMBLE

Enjoy a post service Mini Concert from 11:30 - 11:50 am following the service!

This sought-after New Haven area Steel Drum Ensemble returns to Center Church with their lively calypso, reggae, and island music, all under the direction of Deborah Teason.