



St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh  
 Summer Concerts 2009  
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**When the Sun Goes Down....  
 the Music Turns up in Whitemarsh!**

March 9 2009 - Celebrating over 30 years of community recitals, the St. Thomas' Carillon at St. Thomas' Church, Bethlehem Pike and Church Road (Rt. 73) in Fort Washington, will again host another season of international summer concerts for the surrounding community. **All concerts start at 7:00PM, are held rain or shine.** Please call 215-233-3970 for additional information and directions. Free will offering will be extended.

***“The Concerts Under the Stars  
 2009***

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| <b>Jun 28</b> 7pm | <b>Cast in Bronze</b>             | <b>Jul 14</b> 7pm | <b>Celtic Colours on the Green</b>             |
| <b>Sunday</b>     | <b>Largest traveling carillon</b> |                   | <b>Janet &amp; Dwight Dundore Mem. Concert</b> |
|                   | <b>in North America</b>           |                   | Lisa Lonie, carillon                           |
|                   |                                   |                   | Whitemarsh                                     |
| <b>Jun 30</b> 7pm | Amy Johansen, carillon            | 8pm               | Irish Thunder Pipe Band                        |
|                   | Sydney, Australia                 |                   |  |
|                   | 8pm Tower Tours                   |                   |  |
| <b>Jul 7</b>      | <b>Garden Grooves</b>             | <b>Jul 21</b> 7pm | Janno den Engelsman, carillon                  |
|                   | Groningen Carillon Duo,           |                   | The Netherlands                                |
|                   | The Netherlands                   | 8pm               | Sounds of Liberty Barbershop Choral            |
|                   | 8pm Father John D'Amico Jazz Trio |                   |  |
|                   |                                   | <b>Jul 28</b> 7pm | Carol Anne Taylor, carillon                    |
|                   |                                   |                   | Texas  |
|                   |                                   | 8pm               | Tower Tours                                    |

Bring your picnic dinner, blanket, chair or listen from your parked car. For directions and additional information, please call the church at **215-233-3970** or **www.stthomaswhitemarsh.org**.

The **CARILLON** is a musical instrument of 23 or more bells that when sounded produce music. Carillon bells are hung stationary with only the clapper moving against the lip of the bell. It is manually played from a console with both fists and feet activating batons and pedals attached to the clappers through mechanical linkage. There is no electronic assistance to ring the bells. Remarkable variations in expression are possible and controlled entirely by the carillonneur. With a live television feed between the St. Thomas' Church tower and the ground, listeners can view the carillonneur during the performance.

The largest bell of the St. Thomas' carillon weighs 3,300 pounds; the smallest only 24 pounds. Dedicated in 1974, the carillon of St. Thomas' Church is memorialized to Catherine Colt Dickey. The 48 bronze bells were cast in The Netherlands.

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