

# A Letter From Mark

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Ogunquit, Maine!

In this newsletter you will find pictures of our Festival at Christ Cathedral in Garden Grove, California. The complete Festival is available on YouTube as well as individual selections by title. Additionally, most of the music is included on the new CD. Thank you to all who gave at the Festival in person or online to establish the Frederick Swann Endowed Organ Scholarship at Christ Cathedral.

I am pleased to share with you some comments from letters I received: "Spiritually uplifted is exactly how I felt after attending your Foundation's Organ & Choral Festival in memory of Dr. Frederick Lewis Swann."

"It was beyond perfection! What an amazing selection of talent you assembled and Bradley Welch was the ideal virtuoso for the Festival. I could imagine Fred nodding his head with approval smiling from above."

"It's impossible for me to express all the emotions that I experienced on the West Coast. In a word, it was THRILLING! Definitely a highlight in my musical career."

"What a joyous day we had on January 20th! The beautiful music (organ in particular) is still abiding in my soul! I'm praying your ministry with the MTF is forever blessed!"

There is also a photo collage of Professor Glenda Winkle-Morrow. Glenda was my piano instructor in college and she served on the MTF Advisory Council for many years. Her family suggested that memorial gifts be given to the Foundation. We are grateful for Glenda and will certainly miss her. William Loudermilk, another of her students, will fill her position on the Council.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our New England Festivals this autumn.

Sincerely in Christ's service,  
**Mark Thallander**



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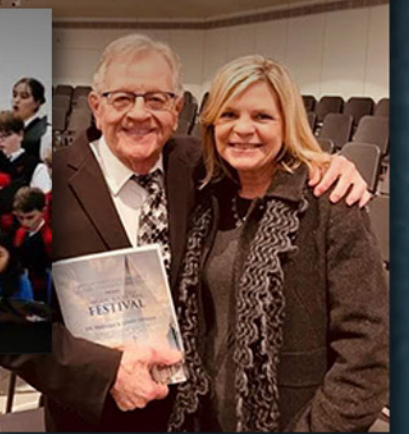
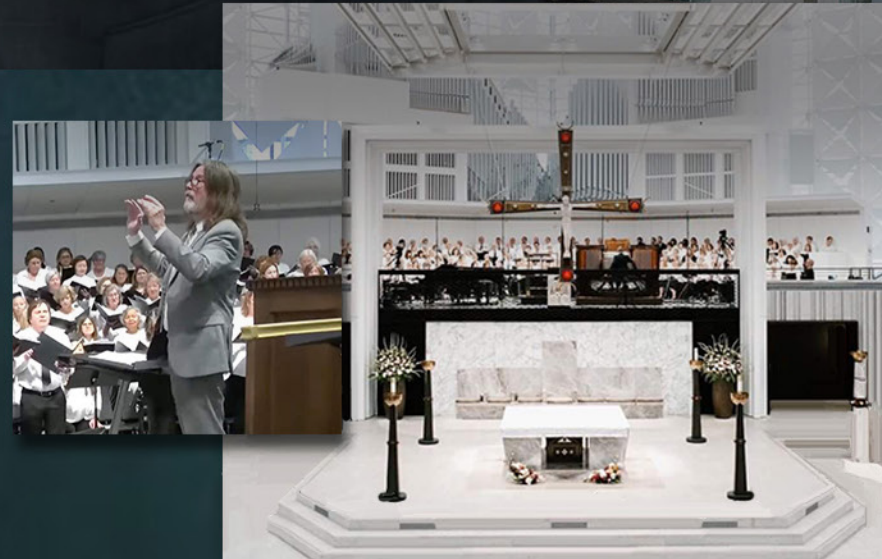
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# Remembering Fred Swann



# Remembering Glenda Winkle-Morrow, beloved member of the MTF Advisory Council

Glenda graduated Valedictorian from Everton High School before studying music at Missouri State University where she was named Outstanding Senior Music Major and received the Diploma in Piano in 1961. She obtained a Master of Music degree in Piano Performance from Northwestern University in 1965 and continued post-graduate studies at multiple universities around the world.

Music was Glenda's great love. She was a performer, a composer and arranger, a lifelong learner, and most of all a teacher of music. She spent over 46 years in music education and is a Professor Emeritus of Music at Central Bible College. (now Evangel University) where she taught for 43 years.

Performing on piano and organ brought tremendous joy to Glenda's life. From her first role as a 7-year-old church pianist who couldn't even reach the pedals, she never stopped sharing her gift. She has presented workshops and performed concerts throughout the United States and Canada. She served as pianist for the U.S. Department of Justice Federal Medical Center for Prisoners and she accompanied the ABC radio network's Revivaltime Choir. She performed in her final concert on November 7, 2021 alongside former student and lifelong friend, Mark Thallander. She served as an Advisory Council member of The Mark Thallander Foundation which exists to enable individuals to experience growth in faith and community through the gift of music. Her life verse was Psalm 33:3. "Sing unto him a new song; play skillfully with a loud noise." (KJV)



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### LEANNE CUSIMANO

Leanne is currently General Manager of Topside Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, and was owner of Amore Breakfast in Ogunquit, Maine, for 25 years. After earning her degree in Early Childhood Development, she taught for several years before pursuing a career in furniture sales and interior decoration. She finally found her niche in the restaurant business, honoring her Sicilian immigrant grandfather who was a chef for 40 years. Leanne, who was active in choral and music productions in high school, enjoys music and traveling.

### ROSEMARY JACKSON

After her husband's death, Rosemary assumed his position as choir director at their church in Pasadena, California, until she accepted a position in the President's office at Vanguard University, becoming the first alumni director and architect of the alumni program, serving in that capacity for 42 years. Rosemary earned her B.A. in Business Administration.

### WILLIAM LOUDERMILK

William Loudermilk hails from Dayton, Ohio, where he is full professor of English, Communication and Theatre at Edison State Community College, and provides Sunday worship leadership for the Music Ministry at The Way of the Cross Church. While attending Central Bible College in Springfield, Missouri, William was a piano student of the late Glenda Winkle-Morrow and served as organist for the weekly Revivaltime radio broadcast. He holds master's degrees in Literature and Communication Studies.

### JUDITH MacLEOD

Judy, the daughter of a Lutheran pastor, was surrounded by music at an early age and she began her life-long love of choir participation at Detroit Lutheran High School. Judy was a member of the choirs at Garden Grove Community Church/The Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove, California for 29 years. She served in many leadership roles including President of the Choir Board. Her ability to communicate the text of an anthem often found her joy-filled face featured on the Hour of Power international telecast. Judy currently attends Shepherd's Grove and enjoys being a grandmother and great grandmother!

### BARBARA TODD

Barbara graduated from the University of Missouri with a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education, as well as a minor in music. She worked at the Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove, California, for almost 30 years, retiring in 2005. The first 10 years she worked in the Music Ministry office. During that time she was fortunate to be able to work with Mark Thallander and Frederick Swann. Later, she became Associate Director of Programming for the Hour of Power.

### LUKE McENDARFER

Pianist and conductor, Luke, in 2004, was appointed Artistic Director of the National Children's Chorus. Equally at home in the studio as well as on the concert stage, Luke has worked on several motion picture soundtracks. He is a two-time graduate of UCLA, holding a B.A. in English literature, and a Master of Music degree in conducting.

### THE REVEREND DR. ROBERT ANTHONY SCHULLER

Dr. Schuller, co-founder of Robert Schuller Ministries, is an American author, televangelist and pastor, who has served as minister on the Hour of Power broadcast and as senior pastor at The Crystal Cathedral in Orange County, California. He received his bachelor's degree from Hope College and Master of Divinity degree from Fuller Theological Seminary. In 1981, he founded Rancho Capistrano Community Church in San Juan Capistrano, where he served as senior pastor for over twenty years.

### MARTY THYNG

Marty has been active in vocal music for as long as she can remember, singing at home while washing dishes every night, singing in church choirs from grade three through twelve, and performing in many concerts, including two All State Festivals and four Gilbert and Sullivan Operettas. After graduating from the University of New Hampshire with a degree in music education, she taught kindergarten through twelfth grade in the New Hampshire Seacoast region for almost thirty years. She also holds a level two Orff Certificate.

### JOHN WEST

John received his Master of Music degree with honors from the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. His initial studies of the organ began at age 13 and continued throughout high school and college. John won numerous awards as keyboard artist and vocalist. His performance credits to date are countless and worldwide.

### BRUCE WILKIN

Bruce is a native New Yorker, but Tulsa, Oklahoma, has been his home since 1968, when he came to study at Oral Roberts University. In 2001, he retired, after having taught Elementary Music Education for 30 years in Tulsa Public Schools. Since 2003, Bruce has been the Vocal Music Assistant at Sapulpa High School. He is co-composer with Mark Thallander of Come, Christians, Join to Sing and Sing Praise to the Lord for choir, congregation, organ and brass, as well as several pieces for solo organ. He serves as organist for First Baptist Church in Tulsa.

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