

Gallery Night

A Showcase of Visual and Performing Arts
by Friends and Members of
Church of the Atonement

Saturday
January 27, 2018
7:00 pm

Church of the Atonement
Silver Spring, MD

Performing Arts

In the Sanctuary

Bill Burdett

Original composition (Video in the chapel)

Sharon Carr

with Chuck Wasson and Elena Zitzman

Original compositions

Tuesday Jazz

**Marc Levine (drums), Alec Petkoff (bass), Steve Ragsdale (guitar),
Norm Stultz (piano), Chuck Wasson (flute, saxes)**



Visual Arts

In the Chapel, Narthex, and Sanctuary

Ruth Almendra

Greeting Cards

Kanisa Baker

Dressmaking

“The flawed, human side of me believes that garments represent me and that I am judged for what I am wearing. I believe it's important to dress appropriately for all situations. In my heart I know that, in Christ, God loves me for who I am. So sewing is an activity that allows me to show a little creativity, relieves stress, and express my personal style. I also believe that in creating I exhibit traits of my Creator.”

Jean Bascom

Painting—gouache and ink wash

“Sometimes I struggle to find the right color to paint a dress, or the right lines to shape a nose, or the right values to create a sense of light and depth. But the process of creating is absolutely exhilarating—the challenge, the way everything else seems to disappear, the joy of colors, the play of light. After a piece is finished, I like to look at it and feel glad to have created something beautiful. And then I look outside—there is a real flower, a real wisp of cloud, a real child laughing in the sun. God’s creation is so humbling and inspiring and incredible. What joy he must feel in bringing into being what an artist can only attempt to copy!”

Gordon Bell

Painting—oil

“Art reflects the image of God’s principles. We create because he creates.”

Peggy Cairns

Photo on canvas

Jenny Couture

Digital Art (Narthex screen display)

Karen DeHaven

Quilting

“[Art] makes me appreciate God’s goodness; the beauty of His creation; and way in which he designed us, in particular how He has given us an innate nature of creativity. Recently, I have been learning that the process we go through is just as important if not more important than the finished product. We can enjoy, learn and grow through the process. For me, this entails letting go of my perfectionism.”

Roz Ferro

Woodcut

“God is the ultimate creator. He creates something out of nothing, with just His word. He speaks it into being. He created us in His image, with a creative ability, with which to bring praise and honor glory to His name. With a creative mind. With an open mind. With a prayerful mind. Possibilities are endless.”

David Furlong

Wood

Annelies Galletta

Quilting

“I see God’s design in nature everywhere. Being artistic is part of being made in his image as the Grand Designer of everything in the world.”

Joe Harford

Painting—oil

Vicki Hassouneh and Bill Rankin

Digital print

“We all have been endowed with certain artistic gifts and we should use them for our good, the good of society and all for the glory of God.”

Sandra Huntzinger

Painting

“When I look at the intricacies of the plants, I marvel that God would care so much to make such variety and beauty simply to give us pleasure. What a marvelous God we have!”

Ruth Jacobs

Watercolor

“My thoughts change as I paint the subject, just as words change in meaning as I study the Bible.”

Gina Judd

Painting

Rheba Kelley

Quilting

When I stop to think about it, I remember that I am made in God’s image. He is “Elohim”, the creator God. So, it is part of our nature to create as well. The Lord has created an infinite number of loving gifts for us. Most of what I create I enjoy giving as gifts to loved ones. While I stitch, I often pray for the recipient.

Michael Kenney

Stained Glass

"In 2005 my father-in-law Tamio "Tom" Shirata passed away. Tom was an engineer by career and a craftsman by passion. He had a small workbench tucked away in his basement storage area where he would create beautiful stained glass light catchers. He also had a large woodworkers shop in his backyard. Tom and my mother-in-law Donna were forever going to craft shows where Tom would get ideas and then surreptitiously draw out what he'd seen.

The Christmas after Tom passed away Robin gave me a gift certificate for an introductory stained glass class. Over the past 10 years I've made dozens of pieces that I mostly give away to family and friends. I sometimes see things and either think of a particular place a stained glass piece would look good at or I simply know the person who it would be most fitting for. Other times I just want to see if I can actually pull it off. There have been a few stupendous failures over the years but each one has been a learning experience.

The one thing that's consistent with all the pieces I make is my gratitude to Tom for leaving me with this legacy. The tools he left me are still Tom's tools and are lovingly referred to as such. Dad was a great man and he's sorely missed but each time I pick up his grozer pliers a smile touches my heart."

Bobbie Kogok

Digital Art Prints

"I love the whole feeling of losing myself in the art and creating something new. I really thank the Lord for giving me this particular joy. It is amazing to see how the things are created and realize that this entire world was formed and created by the Master Creator."

Stephanie Link

Quilting

"There is something so fulfilling about making or creating something. I think that it's a part of being made in the image of God. And using the gifts and talents that God has given us is another way of connecting with God."

Denise McHue

Painting-acrylic

"God is so awesome and complex, and he created the most beautiful things you can't even imagine. Art allows me to capture some of his beauty, although a pale reflection, like the moon reflecting the sun. I can be creative because God allows me to share some of the fun of creating."

Kathleen McHue

Painting—acrylic

“Kathleen really enjoys art and draws and colors at most every opportunity. She loves creating both artwork and crafts.”

Debbie Miller

Painting—oil

“Who among us doesn't stand in awe as we observe a beautiful sunrise or sunset. It is something which we cannot create or duplicate on our own, but it speaks to a magnificent God who delights to grace us with such beauty in nature.”

Nairy Ohanian

Painting—watercolor

“Painting is a way of rest and renewal for me that allows me to be still and look at the world God has given us with different eyes. Painting allows me to express celebration, beauty, emotions, and, creativity which I cannot communicate otherwise.”

James Olivarri

Digital Art (Narthex screen display)

Sarah Paterson

Acrylic, pen, marker

“Art has always been my way of appreciating and looking at the world around me. My art has mostly focused on nature. Only recently have I gotten more into word art and architecture. It is a relaxing hobby that has become my life.”

Jasmina Petkoff

Drawing—ink

Kittydeane Robinson

Painting—watercolor

“God has made us all unique; we all see the Lord and his creation through different eyes and for me painting has helped me process Gods word and his beauty. I have brought 3 paints I call them devotional paint they have helped me process Gods word and better understand and remember what he is showing me. “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10

Molly Rundell

Drawing

“I’m so thankful for the colors he created and the many different ways we can use that color to express ourselves.”

Lisa Schnoor

Quilting

“I am house-bound due to chronic illness and spending so much time alone makes it easy to get stuck in thoughts of fear & frustration. Quilting gets me out of my head and absorbed in beauty and the act of creating. This has given me much unexpected joy!

Since we’re made in the image of God and God is the Creator, I wonder if there’s a part of our nature that can only find fulfillment in creative/artistic pursuits. The joy I feel when working on a quilt makes me wonder about the joy God felt as He created this world.

A favorite quote: “As my sufferings mounted I soon realized that there were two ways in which I could respond to my situation – either to react with bitterness or seek to transform the suffering into a creative force. I decided to follow the latter course.” –Martin Luther King, Jr.

Zoia Spadoni

Drawing

Lorelei Troup

Needlework

Chuck Wasson

Sculpture (in the lower Narthex)

John Whitman

Photography

“The 9” x 11” prints are used as part of Kairos Prison Ministry weekend programs. My hope is to use God’s gifts to me as a way to support bringing Christ’s forgiveness and mercy to men who need spiritual transformation to help them heal and return to society and a godly lifestyle.”

Thank You to the
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Creative Arts Ministry
for all their hard work and creativity
in making our 2018 Gallery Night
successful and beautiful.

*"For we are his workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand,
that we should walk in them."*

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