



Handbell Musicians  
O F A M E R I C A

Area 2 Twice Tolloed Tales

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## From the Chair . . .

Despite Covid still lingering like an unwelcome houseguest this fall, we've seen so many of our member bell choirs back up and running! Thankfully for us all, bells can be socially distanced without too much trouble and there's (usually) no heavy breathing when we make music.

As of now, our 2021 Festival Conference is still on! We are back at Lancaster Convention Center in Pennsylvania and are extremely excited for you all to work with Bill Payn as the festival director. It's a year of Area 2 pride; in addition to Dr. Payn, we also welcome back Area 2 native Karen Buckwater as the master class clinician and the fantastic Quadrants handbell quartet from New Jersey, who blew away audiences at the 2019 National Seminar. Seriously – who gets a standing ovation halfway through their concert?

I can also officially announce that our 2021 Young Ringers Festival will be May 21-23, separate from the Festival Conference. This event will be held at Pinebrook Lodge, a forested retreat camp in East Stroudsburg, PA. Registration, room, and board will be one inclusive price and the facilities are designed with youth in mind. Check the rest of Twice Tolloed Tales for information on the repertoire!

Registration information for both the Festival Conference and Young Ringers Festival will be forthcoming! Good luck and good health to all this fall.

*Liz*

Elizabeth Nowik  
chair.area2@handbellmusicians.org  
Chair, Area 2

### ➔ Please Forward and Share!

Attention Directors – don't forget to forward all Area 2 e-mails and Twice Tolloed Tale issues to your ringers. As members of your choir, they are also members of Area 2. Help keep them in the Area 2 loop and encourage them to be active participants in their handbell community.

# Young Ringers Festival

May 21-23, 2021

Pinebrook Lodge, East Stroudsburg, PA

## Elizabeth Nowik, Festival Conductor

### A Grand Celebration

Derek Hakes

3-5 oct

AG35271

### Earth Shall Ring

Jason Krug

2-3 oct

20/2011SF

### Pavane

Sharon Elery Rogers

2 or 3 oct

CGB546

### Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

Martha Lynn Thompson

3-5 oct

HP1880

*"Music of the Masters" Reproducible*

## WHERE CAN YOU HELP?

If you are a seasoned director/ringer who has an interest in helping others learn handbell skills and techniques, we'd like to include you in our pool of those willing to teach.

If interested, please contact Kaye Miller,  
Mentor and Workshop Coordinator, Area 2

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or

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## Area 2 Members Meeting!

Because Destination Ring was cancelled due to COVID-19, the annual members meeting will be held virtually on Saturday, September 26th at 9 AM EST on RingCentral. The board will discuss what the organization has done over the past year and some plans for the future. Be sure to drop by to keep current with the goings-on of Area 2!

You can find the link here or on our Facebook page.

<https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1482542135>

## Seeking Director of Handbells St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Lebanon, PA

Our church is seeking a director to lead and instruct our three handbell choirs: Bells of St. Andrews (adult), Carillons (youth/ adult) and Westminster Bells (children). Bell choirs rehearse and play regularly for worship during the months of September through May. This is a part-time salaried position. Our church has a rich history of varied music ministries that are an integral part of worship. Come share your knowledge, experience, and love of handbells with a caring community of faith at St. Andrews. Please submit your resume and letter of interest to:

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church  
Attn: Handbell Director Search  
600 South 12th Street  
Lebanon PA 17042  
717-272-9933  
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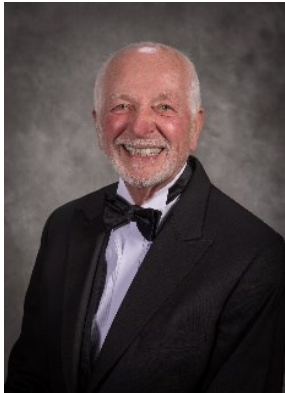
*The Raleigh Ringers*

*David M. Harris, Director*

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*A community handbell choir*

# 2021 Festival Conference



**Bill Payn**  
Festival Conductor



**Karen Lakey Buckwalter**  
Masterclass Clinician

**Lancaster Convention Center**  
**June 25-27, 2021**

## **Coppers**

Exultate Deo – J Fedon	Level 3	3-5 oct	AG35355
I Will Arise and Go to Jesus – M Compton	Level 3	3-5 oct	AG35313

## **Bronze**

Elegy – W Payn	Level 4	4-5 oct	HP1277
Te Deum – D Wagner	Level 4	4-7 oct/opt chimes	BL5027

## **Massed Ringing**

Exuberance – W Payn & M Glasgow	Level 3	3-7 oct bells/3 oct chimes	CGB1100
Majestic Alleluia – J Raney	Level 2+	3-5 oct	HP2876
Soliloquy for Bells – K Buckwalter	Level 2+	3-5 oct	SPHP5175

## **2021 Festival Conference Composition Contest Winner**

**Together as One**

**Jason Krug**

*Publication Details TBD*

## Handchimes and Handbells During COVID-19

With these uncertain times and wearing masks, it makes it difficult for singing groups to perform. This is where handchimes and handbells come in. You can wear masks and no one knows if you are counting to yourself or smiling. You can be socially distance from one another. As an example, my daughter's bell group is playing quartet music using music stands and playing pieces with no bell changes. They are also practicing with the full group spread out, using more table space than usual. There is a lot of music being written for 8 bells. Have singers try ringing, they might find out that they like it and you will get more ringers. Use more smaller groups so that health restrictions can be met. In all explore, explore and have fun.

Cynthia Reineke  
Education Chair

*Presented by The Raleigh Ringers*

# VIRTUOSO

An Extraordinary Performance Experience

Conductor: Dr. William Payn      June 3-6, 2021      Raleigh, NC  
Applications Now Being Accepted      [www.rr.org/events/virtuoso](http://www.rr.org/events/virtuoso)

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## **New Members**

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### **Pennsylvania**

Jonathan Bright  
Pittsburgh, PA

Emily Brands  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Lansdale, PA

Jacqueline Kuba  
Jordan UCC  
Lehigh, PA

Diane Spohn  
Kutztown, PA

### **New York**

Robert Faulds  
First Baptist Church  
Olean, NY

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## Area 2 Board Members 2019–2021

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**Next TTT deadline is  
October 15th, 2020**

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