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## Summer Newsletter

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**Your support** of Friends of Music at CtK has facilitated **beautiful worship, amazing concerts, and a new Kawai baby grand piano in the sanctuary!** We can't do it without you, and want you to know how much our community appreciates and benefits from your generosity.



## Spotlight on the Artists

**John Carl Jones**, bass-baritone, is a section leader and member of the choir at Christ the King Church. He holds a Bachelor of



Art in Music and is currently pursuing a Master of Music in vocal performance. He performs regularly in the Baltimore and D.C. area, singing primarily oratorio and sacred works.

Raised in a Pentecostal church in North Carolina, Jones enjoyed a rich musical heritage of quartet singing in 4-part harmony. His own family is naturally gifted in music, with every member able to sing or play an instrument. It was in this environment that he found his love for both music and the Lord.

In the latter half of his high school years he made the decision to be a musician. With the help and guidance of his choir teacher, Ms. Sunday Allen, he was encouraged to go to school for music. Once in college, he says he had to, "hit the ground running" to meet the demands of the program. A coach from the Metropolitan Opera told him he has a religious sound, a voice of healing. This confirmed what he had already felt, a calling to serve the Lord through music.

An initial desire to go into gospel singing gave way to another path. As his voice deepened, he felt called to make the switch to classical sacred music. He has since enjoyed many public performances of major classical compositions.

As a professional church musician, John has had the unique opportunity to experience a wide variety of denominations and faiths. His time at Christ the King church has shown him God's love through a new lens. He says God's church has many facets, and while no two are alike they are all His. He believes that God already has a plan for us, we simply need to ask for His direction. John says, "Without faith, it is truly impossible to please God."

John Jones will sing with the CtK Choir again this 2019-2020 season!

## Concert Series

Tim Whalen Jazz Quintet  
September 21 @ 4 p.m.

Washington Balalaika Society  
November 9, 5 p.m.

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