



# FEEL THE SPIRIT MOVING:

AN EVENING OF COMMUNITY AND  
COMPASSION, SOLIDARITY  
AND STRENGTH



**FEATURING THE CHARLES LANE ENSEMBLE**

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 20, 2025  
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL**

# THE GUIBORD CENTER

Bringing people together

Unleashing the Sacred

Embracing the Spirit

Transforming the World

## OUR INTENTION

This evening isn't just a concert, it's a time to gather strength to resist the wave of cruelty and callousness sweeping through our country and to stand firm in our love and support for our neighbors and for one another.

Music builds community. It restores our hearts and our souls for the journey. It reminds us that we are all in this struggle together.

May this evening strengthen your heart, deepen your friendships and give you the rest and strength you need to be all you want to be in this time in history.

We thank everyone who has made this event possible from the board and staff of The Guibord Center and the team at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral to the performers and technicians in tonight's program and everyone who has been in attendance and everyone who has donated their time, talent and/or funds.

Whenever each of us does whatever we can to offer courage and kindness and to do the right thing, we become part of the wave of history that restores decency. You matter – more than you can possibly imagine.

# **MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES**

Lt. Col. Chaplain Dr. Brenda Threatt

## **THE CHARLES LANE ENSEMBLE**

Producer Charles Lane

### **SOPRANOS & ALTOS**

Lesili Beard

Alannah Garnier

Thalia Moore

Caroline McKenzie

Vivian Stover

Delia Rios (*Guest Artist*)

### **TENORS & BASSES**

Cedric Berry

Christopher Craig

Marcus Desir

Charles Lane

Michael Mensah

H. Waring Sharpe

Patrick Tsoi-A-Sue

### **DANCER**

Ashish Kumar

### **CONDUCTOR**

Marcus Desir

### **BAND**

Jelani Blunt, Percussion

Mathew Daley, Keyboard

Alberto La Torre Jr., Guitar (*Guest Artist*)

## THE EVENING'S PROGRAM

### **Opener Funga Alafia**

Ensemble + Dance + Piano & Percussion

### **How I Got Over (My Soul Looks Back and Wonder)**

Ensemble Solo Verses

Alannah Garnier soloist (soprano) + Piano & Percussion

### **I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray**

Ensemble Solo Verses

Charles Lane (tenor) Percussion + Dance (Ashish)

### **Joe Hill**

Solo Michael Mensah (bass) + Piano

### **Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning**

Ensemble + Percussion + Marcus Desir (Conductor)

### **Hold On**

Ensemble + Marcus Desir (Conductor)

### **Over My Head I Hear Music in the Air**

Solo Thalia Moore (soprano) + Dancer (Ashish)

### **Woke Up this Mornin' with My Mind Stayed on Freedom**

Ensemble + Percussion + Verse Solos:

Thalia Moore, Cedric Berry, H. Waring Sharpe

### **Believe in Yourself**

Solo Christopher Craig (tenor) + Piano + Percussion



## **Stand by Me**

Solo Verses Patrick Tsoi-A-Sue (tenor) Piano + Dance (Ahsish)

## **Gracias a la Vida**

Guest Artists: Delia Rios (Vocal) and Alberto La Torre Jr. (Guitar)

## **Make Them Hear You**

Solo Cedric Berry (bass) + Piano

## **My Lord What a Morning**

Ensemble + Marcus Desir (Conductor)

## **He's Got the Whole World in His Hands**

Solo Alannah Garnier (soprano) + Piano

## **Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around**

Ensemble + Percussion + Solo Charles Lane

## **Blowin' in the Wind**

Solo H. Waring Sharpe (tenor) + Piano

## **Walk Together Children**

Solo Caroline McKenzie (soprano) + Piano

## **CLOSING: What a Fellowship**

Ensemble + Dance (Ashish) + Piano & Percussion

## **ENCORE: This Little Light of Mine**

Ensemble + Dance + Piano & Percussion

Matthew Daley = Piano + Jelani Blunt = Percussion + Ashish Kumar = Dancer



## THANK YOU

Bishop John H. Taylor and The Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles for encouraging The Guibord Center to use St. John's Cathedral as a true house of prayer for ALL people.

### ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL TEAM:

The Rev. Anne Sawyer  
Interim Dean and Priest-in-Charge

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Senior Warden

Nazario Palma  
Junior Warden

Kyle Black  
Parish Administrator

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Nash Ashur  
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Nazario Palma  
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Martha Ree  
and others.

### AUDIO/VISUAL

Steve Miller

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### SECURITY/VALET SERVICE

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER

St. John's Centennial "Art & Architecture" Luncheon  
*Oct. 4, 2025*

The Guibord Center's Take Heart Now Series:  
Dr. Melissa Bird  
*Oct. 8, 2025*

### NOVEMBER

Take Heart Now Series: Salam Al-Marayati  
*Nov. 12, 2025*

### DECEMBER

Take Heart Now Series  
*Dec. 10, 2025*

### JANUARY

A sneak preview of clips from  
"A Better Way: James Lawson Architect of Nonviolence" with  
filmmaker, Karen Hayes discussing the Rev. Jim Lawson, The  
Architect of the Civil Rights Movement in America and his  
strategies of creating significant positive social change.





## THE GUIBORD CENTER — RELIGION INSIDE OUT

partners with faith communities and spiritual organizations to open hearts and minds through a range of programs, public lectures, and immersive events. These experiences reveal the wonder and transformative power of Nature and at the center of our many religious and spiritual traditions, putting us in touch with something larger than ourselves.

We invite people everywhere to join us in “turning religion inside out”—uncovering and sharing in the common values at the center of our faiths and spiritual practices such as compassion, respect, and concern for others.

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