

TEMPLE HILL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Jay Trotter, Director



JENNY OAKS BAKER & FAMILY FOUR



The Spirit of God



Saturday & Sunday, March 3 & 4, 2018

Temple Hill Auditorium

www.templehillsymphony.org

JAY TROTTIER, MUSIC DIRECTOR

One only needs a brief conversation or a snippet of rehearsal to recognize Jay's overwhelming passion for music. Influenced by his mother who sang in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, he began piano lessons at the age of eight and pursued clarinet and oboe in high school and college. He exercised his vocal cords as Captain von Trapp in *The Sound of Music* and Professor Henry Higgins in *My Fair Lady*, as well as serving as music director of *The Music Man* in community productions. Jay founded and conducted the Solano Community Symphony 30 years ago and began directing the Temple Hill Symphony Orchestra in 2012. Though he has been instructed by Robert Lenz, assistant director of the Utah Symphony, and Denis de Coteau, director of the San Francisco Ballet, his greatest teacher has been his heart – he simply feels music!

Jay, a retired employee of the City of Fairfield, California continues to live there with his wife, Becky.

JENNY OAKS BAKER & FAMILY FOUR

America's Violinist, Jenny Oaks Baker, is a Grammy-nominated, Billboard No. 1 performer and recording artist. She received her Master of Music degree from the Juilliard School and her Bachelor's Degree from the Curtis Institute of Music.

Jenny has performed as a soloist at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the Library of Congress and as a guest soloist with The National Symphony, Jerusalem Symphony, Pittsburgh Symphony, Utah Symphony and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. She has released fourteen studio albums which have sold nearly a million copies and consistently chart on Billboard. Her popular music videos can be viewed at www.youtube.com/JennyOaksBaker. For more information visit www.jennoaksbaker.com.

Jenny, her husband Matthew, and their four children (Family Four) reside in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Jenny Oaks Baker & Family Four have performed throughout the United States including performances in Abravanel Hall in Salt Lake City, Stevens Performing Arts Center and the BYU Center in Idaho, on the Hour of Power TV Show broadcast worldwide from California, for Ambassador's Wives at the Congressional Club in Washington DC, the Music Educator's Rally at the Utah State Capital, the Washington DC Temple Festival of Lights, and the World Congress of Families IX and at First Night On Temple Square. They have also performed the National Anthem for the Days of Forty-Seven Rodeo and Utah Jazz, and soloed with The Millennial Choirs and Orchestra, The Lyceum Philharmonic, The Utah Philharmonic and the BYU Combined Choirs and Orchestra. Last summer, Jenny Oaks Baker & Family Four performed in Vienna, Austria, and throughout Japan and Taiwan. Family Four are also featured on many popular music videos and on Jenny Oaks Baker's upcoming CD, "The Spirit of God".

Laura is 16 and plays the violin and percussion.

Hannah is 14, plays the piano and studies with Dr. Irene Peery-Fox.

Sarah is 13, plays the cello and studies with Dr. Alison Wells.

Matthew is 11 and plays the classical & electric guitar. He studies classical guitar with Douglas Rogers and electric guitar with Larry Green.

Jenny and her children have been performing together as a family since each child started playing their instruments when they were three or four years old. Their father, Matt Baker, is very musical, and enjoys being a DJ when he is not working as a Sales Executive. He also helps with all the necessary sound equipment for the Baker Family, pays for lessons and is incredibly supportive of his artistic wife and children.

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# *The Spirit of God*

## **Featuring Jenny Oaks Baker & Family Four**

Laura Baker, violin  
Hannah Baker, piano  
Sarah Baker, cello  
Matthew Baker, guitar

### ***I Am a Child of God***

Words by Naomi Ward Randall – Music by Mildred Tanner Pettit

Arranged by Mike Carson  
Eliza Christensen, Ava Garff, Cole Garff, Britton Stanley,  
Grace Thompson, Nathan Wright

### ***Bound for the Promised Land***

Music by Samuel Stennett  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

### ***Morning Has Broken***

Traditional  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

### ***O Shenandoah***

Traditional American Folk Song  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

### ***Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow***

Music by Louis Bourgeois  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

### ***Down to the River to Pray***

Traditional  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

### ***Softly and Tenderly***

American Traditional  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

***The Sound of Music Medley***

Words by Oscar Hammerstein – Music by Richard Rodgers  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

**INTERMISSION**

***Israel, Israel, God is Calling***

Music by Charles Crozat Converse  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

***Ashokan Farewell***

Music by Jay Unger  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

***God Be With You Til We Meet Again***

Music by William G. Tomer  
Arranged by Kurt Bestor

***Christ the Lord is Risen Today***

Arranged by Kurt Bestor

***The Spirit of God***

Arranged by Kurt Bestor

***Copland Rock Suite***

Music by Aaron Copland  
Arranged by Kendra Lowe & Chris Bacon

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Please join Jenny and her children for refreshments and a reception in the cultural hall after the concert.

*Jenny Oaks Baker CDs will be available for purchase at Saturday's performance.*

# TEMPLE HILL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Jay Trottier, Music Director

## VIOLIN I

Cybele D'Ambrosio,  
*Concertmistress*  
Peggy Jellinghausen,  
*Assoc.*

*Concertmistress*  
Debbie Dittmer,  
*Asst.*

*Concertmistress*  
Carol Ann Davis  
Mary Julia McKean  
Whitney Anderson  
Spencer Larsen  
Jared Xia  
Derrick Xia

## VIOLIN II

Patrice May\*  
Keita Moriwaki  
Tiffani Mix  
Amelia Stacy  
Linda Pedersen  
Hannelore Harwood  
David Belt

## VIOLA

Liz Hare\*  
Benjamin Nathan

\*Principal

## CELLO

Jacob Reed\*  
Ariel Witbeck  
Mary Asnicar  
Kristina Schlechter  
Eric Anderson  
Yvonne Bent

## BASS

Tim Neff\*  
Damien Anderson  
Navaz Jasavala

## FLUTE

Melissa  
Gulamhussein\*  
Sharon Young

## OBOE

Barbara  
Hodgkinson\*  
Eric Hagen

## CLARINET

Ron Jarvis

## BASSOON

Michael Stern\*  
Catherine Tracy

## FRENCH HORN

Ross Gershenson\*  
Sally Johnson  
Rich Lamb  
Daniel Bao

## TRUMPET

John Escalera

## TROMBONE

Dave Downer\*  
Megan Kennedy

## TUBA

Matt Kaufman

## TIMPANI

Ralph Granich

## PERCUSSION

Dan Brownlee\*  
Annette Granger  
Kent Burr

## HARP

Sharla Capener\*  
Olivia Burr

## PIANO

Frank Chang

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*in concert on Temple Hill  
presents*

# AMERICAN CLASSICS

*Gershwin*  
**Rhapsody in Blue**

*featuring  
Russell Hancock, piano*

*Grofé*  
**Grand Canyon Suite**

*Copland*  
**Rodeo**

**Duke Ellington Suite**

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