

# Flowing Water



New Music ≈ Great Falls

Wednesday 8 March 2023  
12:05 pm

Barbara Ovitt, Flute  
Valerie Winfield, Viola

New Hope Lutheran Church  
3125 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South  
Great Falls, Montana  
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Bring a Lunch • Beverage – Dessert Provided

**Barbara Ovitt's** Montana family roots date back to 1865. She began playing the flute in Parker, Arizona while in the sixth grade at age 11. She played in the local school bands through graduation from high school. Flute playing was then put to rest for 43 years with the exception of a very brief few weeks when her daughter was in middle school in Missoula and the orchestra instructor decided he wanted parents who played a musical instrument, perform a couple tunes with the orchestra. In 2018, after retirement, looking for something to do to keep herself entertained, she became what is known in some circles as a "retread", again taking up serious practicing of the flute. She has been a Great Falls resident for 8 years and currently plays in the Great Falls Community Concert Band. Barbara keeps herself busy with daily walks, reading, church activities and during the summer months flower gardening and hanging out on the deck watching the sun rise at her Georgetown Lake cabin and if the water is glass, will take a spin around the lake on water skies. And most enjoyably, entertaining and watching her two grandsons, ages 8 and 5.

**Valerie Winfield** is a fifth generation Montanan who started playing viola at age 9, at the suggestion of a family friend. She studied under Christine Wallace, Colleen Hunter, and Nick Carper, and played in the Missoula Honors Orchestra, the Missoula Youth Symphony, the Missoula Symphony, the University of Montana Symphony, the Gonzaga University Symphony, the Gonzaga Quartet, and the Gonzaga University Chamber Orchestra. She is a current member of the Great Falls Symphony. Valerie plays a custom Mark Hollinger viola. When not playing, Valerie enjoys baking, British murder mysteries, and watching her chickens.

**James F. Rickley** is presently accompanist and organist at New Hope Lutheran Church. Originally from the Pennsylvania area, he chose to expend his retirement in Great Falls. His music composition training was through the University of Cincinnati and Temple University. He served as a music teacher and school administrator in Pennsylvania, Nevada and Montana. He is the owner of the music publishing firm WayWordBound with compositional works available through the online operations of Hal Leonard Corporation.

# Program

## **Gemstones**

James F. Rickley

Part 1

*for Flute and Viola*

**1—Tourmaline**

**2—Ruby**

**3—Topaz**

**4—Sapphire**

*Commissioned by the Montana Arts Council*

## **Pastorale**

James F. Rickley

### **Dance of Light—Dorian**

*for Flute, Viola, and Piano*

*Written for the Christmas Eve Celebration at  
New Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church*

*For 24 December 2018*

*These concerts follow a protocol of new music  
where each original piece will be played twice  
with a Q & A monitored discussion.*

*Monitored and Facilitated by Marjorie Kohler*

*Videographer—Alex Tooley*

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## Series One

March 15, 2023                      Gaynell Tempel, Lyric Soprano  
March 22, 2023                      Ron Coons, Soprano Saxophone  
March 29, 2023                      Cynthia Stevens, Contralto  
April 5, 2023                         Dusty Molyneaux, Trumpet

## Series Two

November 29, 2023                Cynthia Stevens, Contralto  
December 6, 2023                 Alan Johnson, Tenor Saxophone  
December 13, 2023                Norman Menzales, Flute  
December 20, 2023                Norman Menzales,  
Tyler Menzales, Flute

	
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