

Monumental

United Methodist Church



Mary Dolch, organist

Monday, September 28, 2026

Noon

PROGRAM

Allegro con Spirito in B-flat Major

Frank Bridge

Fuga in g minor

Johann Adam Reinken

Chorale-Prelude on the tune "St. Peter" opus 20, No. 1

Harold E. Darke

Variations on "Simple Gifts"

James Pethel

Toccata in G Major (from Douze Pieces pour orgue)

Theodore Dubois

Please join us for a \$5 lunch in the fellowship hall

You are also welcome to join us for worship at 11am on Sundays

Mary Dolch

A native of Concord, New Hampshire, **Mary Dolch** moved to Virginia with her family in 2022 to become the Organist & Choirmaster for Galilee Episcopal Church in Virginia Beach. There, she leads the growing music program's adult and children's choirs, RSCM program, Organ Scholar program, and seasonal concert series, which regularly includes The Virginia Chorale, Galatea Chamber Ensemble, Norfolk State University's Concert Choir, as well as special services of Compline, Evensong, the annual Requiem for All Souls and Lessons and Carols, sung by the parish choirs.

Mary earned a Bachelors' degree in organ performance and piano pedagogy from Westminster Choir College (studying organ with Dr. Matthew Lewis) and Masters' degree in organ from Yale Institute of Sacred Music (studying organ with Thomas Murray and Jeffrey Brillhart.) As a solo concert artist, Mary has performed throughout the northeast, and as a singer, has sung with numerous professional choral ensembles, under the batons of such great names as Gustavo Dudamel, Daniel Barenboim, Alan Gilbert, Yannick Nézet-Séguin, David Hill, Masaki Suzuki, and Simon Carrington. Previous positions include Associate Director of Chapel Music at St. Paul's School (Concord, NH), Interim Director of Music and Organist of St. Luke's Episcopal Church (Darien, CT) and Organist and Choirmaster for St. Michaels Roman Catholic Church (Atlantic City, NJ.) Highlights of her performing have included accompanying Westminster Williamson Voices in England, recording a disk of Howells, Britten, and Ešenvalds with Westminster Choir in NYC (*A Serenity of Soul*), and performing Saint-Saens' Organ Symphony right here in Norfolk with the Virginia Symphony Orchestra in 2024.

Mary currently serves on the board for the American Guild of Organists Tidewater Chapter, and enjoys spending time outside with her husband, Eric, their three children, Eric Jr., Abraham, and Genevieve, and their dogs Hildegard, and Stevie.

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Fall 2026 - Upcoming Events

Rise Against Hunger

Building kits to feed the less fortunate around the world.
October 3, 10am-12noon

Songbird and the Music Man

Chris Cushna and Patty Christiana share an afternoon of song.
Monday, October 26, noon

Breakfast with Santa

An annual fun event for the young at heart.
Saturday, November 21, 9-10:30am

Sandra Welfare, handbell soloist

One of Virginia's most accomplished handbell soloists visits, from Richmond, with a program of holiday music.
Monday, November 23, noon

Annual Lancaster Christmas Concert

Bells and professional instrumentalists join Monumental's excellent choir in a program of holiday music by American composers
Sunday, December 6, 4pm

Composer Weekend - Lloyd Larson

February 19-21, 2027

*Free-will offering collected at each event
\$5 luncheons available at all noonday concerts*