

WADE FITZGERALD CARILLON

A program presented as part of *Inspiring Worship*
the 17th Annual UF Sacred Music Workshop



I. A Baroque Introduction

Allegro (No. 184) from the *De Gruyters Carillon Book* (1746)

II. Concert Works for Carillon

Capriccio No. 3 Ronald Barnes (1927-1997)

Bell Canto Geert D'hollander (b. 1965)

Rotation Gary White (b. 1937)

III. Chorales, Hymns, & Spirituals

Jesu bleibet meine Freude (Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
from *Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben*, BWV 147 arr. Albert Gerken

Hymn of Thanksgiving Adrianus Valerius (c. 1575-1625)
arr. Johan Franco

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot Wallace Willis (c. 1820-c. 1880)
arr. Milford Myhre

IV. Familiar Tunes

Nocturne, Op 9, No. 2 Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)
arr. Joey Brink

Variations on "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" John Courter (1941-2010)



May 5, 2025
12:30PM

61-bell Eijsbouts Carillon
Century Tower
University of Florida

ABOUT THE PERFORMER

Wade FitzGerald, an organist, pianist, and carillonneur, graduated in 2024 with a master's degree in Organ Performance from Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music, where he served as Associate Instructor of Carillon and University Carillonneur. In addition to studying with Dr. Christopher Young, he also sang as a tenor in IU's award-winning contemporary vocal ensemble NOTUS and took organ improvisation lessons with Dr. Jeffrey Smith.

A proud Gator, FitzGerald began studying carillon with Dr. Laura Ellis during his undergraduate studies at the University of Florida. He graduated in 2019 with a B. M. in piano and a B.S. in biology, the same year he was inducted into the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America (GCNA). In 2019 and 2020, FitzGerald served as Blanchard Carillon Fellow at the world-famous Bok Tower Carillon in Lake Wales, Florida, where he studied with Geert D'hollander.

FitzGerald maintains an active role in the GCNA, serving as Chair of the Original Compositions Subcommittee and as a juror on the Carillonneur Exam committee. He currently works as a chorister and carillonneur at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension in Clearwater, FL, and is regularly invited to play carillon recitals throughout the United States. Outside of his musical activities, FitzGerald might be found hiking, catching snakes, reading (particularly cosmic horror), or making art out of glass bottles and bottle caps.