

# A Concert in Response to Gun Violence in Baltimore

**THE SPIRE SERIES | MARCH 24, 2019 | 2:30 p.m.**

The Spire Series will unite with the church's Peacemaking Committee, clergy, Sanctuary Choir & soloists, and orchestra in presenting a concert honoring the precious lives lost to gun violence in Baltimore, while uplifting the good work of those dedicated to creating a brighter future, most especially BUILD. Concert proceeds will support BUILD's program, *Turnaround Tuesday*.

Under the direction of Dr. Jason Kissel, the First & Franklin Sanctuary Choir will present Gabriel Fauré's beloved *Requiem*. Renowned Baltimore bass-baritone Robert Cantrell, will also present solo works. The audience will join in singing *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, and the choirs will conclude by singing G.E. Burleigh's powerful setting of the spiritual, *Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land*.

A moving art exhibition in the Sanctuary by artist Will Brown will feature portraits of young people who have died as a result of violence in Baltimore. Mr. Brown is the son of Millie Brown, founder of *A Mother's Cry*, a foundation in Baltimore that works to bring comfort mothers who have lost children to violence.

Tickets are available at the door or online - \$10.00 minimum per person. A freewill offering will be taken during the concert to support *Turnaround Tuesday*.



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