

Do Birds Truly Make Music?



The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. (Song of Solomon 2:12)

The Bible speaks of bird calls as songs, as most of us do. However, evolutionary theory has led some scientists to say that we are merely assigning human meanings to the calls of birds.

They say that the bird calls have nothing to do with real music.

Ornithologists have known for some time that bird songs use the same musical scales as our music. Decades ago it was noted that some of Beethoven's work could be heard from the European blackbird. The music was the same as the opening rondo of Beethoven's "Violin Concerto in D, Opus 61." Since these birds pass their songs from generation to generation, Beethoven could have gotten the lilting music from the forefathers of today's European blackbird!

The songs of some species, like the song sparrow, follow the form of a sonata, beginning with a strong theme, then the theme is musically played with, and for a finish, the original theme is then repeated. Mozart had a starling as a pet. Once, having heard Mozart play his "Piano Concerto in C Major," the starling not only imitated it, but changed the sharps to flats! Mozart exclaimed, "That was beautiful!" When the starling died, Mozart held an elaborate funeral for it. Eight days later he wrote "A Musical Joke," which contains the same elaborate structure found in starling song.

Do birds make true music, as the Bible says? Contrary to what some evolutionists say, Beethoven and Mozart certainly thought they did.

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, May 12, 2024

8:00am - Breakfast

8:45am - Discipleship Classes

10:00am - Worship

5/17 - Titus 2 Woman 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Look Ahead

5/26 - Senior Day (Student-lead worship)

6/2 - (No Breakfast)

6/16 - Breakfast 8:00am (Father's Day)

6/17 - 21 - Student Camp

7/8-12 - Boys' Camp

7/15-19 - Girls' Camp

7/22 - 26 - VBS

PLEASE NOTE: We will not have Junior Church on Mother's Day or Father's Day.

Student Camp

Camp Theme: GROW

- Camper cost: (Leader and Student) \$240

- Dates: June 17th-21st

See Chris Smith for assistance signing up as soon as possible. Chris will also have Waivers to be filled out and submitted. **(Registration deadline is 5/31.)**

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If you are visiting or have any prayer needs, please fill out an MBC Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

Donations Needed for VBS

The following items are needed for VBS. There will be other items requested once they are identified.

10 small green pool noodles

5 large green pool noodles

8-10 blue pool noodles

May 12, 2024

Joy Junction

8:45am - Cindy S.

10:00am Svc. - Jamie B., Tawni J.

Wed. - May 15 - Linda W.

Junior Church

NO JR CHURCH

Kids Connection - Wed. May 15

Amy J. - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Curtiss C.

10:00am - Jim S., Matt S., Ben S.

Wed. - May 15 - Tim R.

May 19, 2024

Joy Junction

8:45am - Alana C.

10:00am Svc. - Kim S., Ben S.

Wed. - May 22 - Cindy S.

Junior Church

Jamie B. - Mariah R.

Kids Connection - Wed. May 22

Amy J. - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Steve G.

10:00am - John P., David D., Ryan W.

Wed. - May 22 - Ed S.

*Happy
Mother's Day*