## To Hope! A Celebration by

Dave Brubeck is an exciting work of grand proportion and a monumental affirmation of hope and exultation. Composed in 1979, it is powerful, multi-faceted, and displays his superb choral writing ability with profoundly moving passages, dance-like rhythms, deep emotion, and a strong sense of optimism.

Mr. Brubeck became a legend in the 1950s for his iconic and revolutionary jazz, but many of those adoring fans were unaware that he was a classically trained musician. During a career lasting more than six decades, he also created a substantial body of innovative secular and religious works integrating classical music with jazz.

Dave Brubeck often mentioned *To Hope!* as one of the highlights of his career. We honor this remarkable man in the 100<sup>th</sup> year of his birth and are pleased to participate in the official world-wide centennial celebration Dave Brubeck 100.

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I'm Gonna Sing! by André Thomas is a collection of spirituals from the master of spiritual writing! Dr. Thomas is a distinguished conductor, composer and arranger who is especially well known for his wonderful arrangements of traditional spirituals. Selections include I'm Gonna Sing, Deep River, Swing Down Chariot, Keep Your Lamps, and more!

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Tina Johns Heidrich, Conductor

## **Spring Concert**

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by André Thomas

NEW DATE Sunday, September 13, 2020 - 3pm

> First Congregational Church 164 Deer Hill Avenue. Danbury, CT 06810

> > Our 21st Season!

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