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GODSPEUS

THURSDAY, JULY 15 SUNDAY, JULY 18 THURSDAY, JULY 22 SUNDAY, JULY 25 2021

The Mount Outdoor Theatre at The Forge: Lemont Quarries www.LittleMountainTheatre.org



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PROUDLY PRESENTS



BOOK BY JOHN MICHAEL TEBELAK

LYRICS BY STEPHEN SCHWARTZ

MUSIC BY STEPHEN SCHWARTZ

BASED ON "THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW."

Conceived and Originally Directed by John-Michael Tebelak. Music and New Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz. Originally Produced on the New York Stage by Edgar Lansbury, Stuart Duncan and Joseph Beruh

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LMCT is grateful to Lemont Township for letting us call the Community Center "home" for our 2021 season.

SYNOPSIS

Godspell Jr. is a timeless depiction of friendship, loyalty, love, and the importance of building community.

Set in current times in an urban setting, Jesus and John The Baptist bring together 22 strangers through song, dance and parables, creating a bond that invites introspection, and a profound look at life and one's surroundings.

This powerful production culminates in a dramatic call to action to change the world for the better.

MUSICAL NUMBERS

Prepare Ye The Way Of The Lord

Save The People

Day By Day

Learn Your Lessons Well

O, Bless The Lord, My Soul

All For The Best

All Good Gifts

We Beseech Thee

Light Of The World

Finale

Beautiful City

CAST

John The Baptist/Judas	Geon Ruffin
Jesus Je	eremie Bacon

Company

Taylor Autero Emma Hutchison Katie Karsky Peter Conser Patricia Domico Patty Kirin Seth Durbin Kate Loeffler Tommy Melgoza Andy Emmerich Terry Foster-Hulbert Olivia Palak Alexander Schedel Andrea Gough Johnny Greanias Nikki Srail Nick Greanias Stuart Vance Jay Hruska Caroline Vranas Maggie Hughes Niki Winston



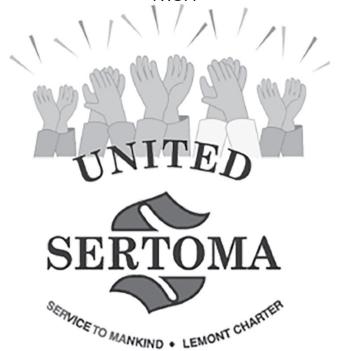
PRODUCTION STAFF

Producer	Sandy Doebert
Assistant Producer	Kate Loeffler
Director	Heather Hutchison
Assistant Director	Diane Link
Vocal Director	Carrie Marcotte
Choreographer	Brenda Perez de Tejada
Assistant Choreographer	
Technical Director	
Video Production Designer	
Lighting Designer	Angela Kvitek
Sound Designer	Max Thalhammer
Set Designer/Builder	
Costume Designer	Joelle Beranek
Backstage Manager	Matt Gottardo
Prop Manager	
Audition and Rehearsal Pianist	Kurt Meyer



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CAST



TAYLOR AUTERO (Company) – Taylor is a senior acting major at Illinois State University. This is her second show with LMCT, and she is so excited to be back on stage! She would like to thank her family for the love and support. She hopes you all enjoy the show!

show!

JEREMIE BACON (Jesus) – Jeremie is thrilled to be back on stage and per-

forming outside with dear friends this summer. Previous LMCT shows include *Mamma Mia!*, *Barnum*, *Little Mermaid*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and *Shrek*.



PETER CONSER

(**Company**) – Peter is 15 years old and attends Providence Catholic High School. He began performing in theatre in 2018. His most recent shows include *The Hello Girls* and *Shenanigans* (Providence Catholic High School) He hopes you enjoy the show!



PATRICIA DOMICO

(Company) - Patricia is so

excited to be a part of *Godspell!* She was most recently seen as Lisa in *Mamma Mia!* with LMCT and Glinda in *Wizard of Oz* with the Lincolnway Theater Guild. She would like to thank her family and friends for coming to the summer show!



SETH DURBIN (Company)



– Seth is incredibly excited to be in his first show with LMCT. A choir director at Waubonsie Valley High School, he is thrilled to be back on stage after a 12-year hiatus. Seth lives in North Aurora with his husband, Mark, and their two dogs, Titan and Ace.

Congrats
Godspell
cast & crew you guys are
the coolest!



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ANDY EMMERICH (Company) – Andy gratefully returns to the LMCT stage after 14 months of hiding indoors, now totally confused about how to interact with humans and the outside world. He was most recently featured as Mr. Clayton in Magical Starlight's *Tarzan*. He dedicates his performance to his magisterial wife, Nancy.

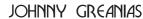
TERRY FOSTER-HULBERT

(Company) – This is Terry's fourth production of *Godspell*! He has played Jesus and sang All Good Gifts for Tempo Players in two productions and John/Judas for Summer Place Theatre and now with LMCT! Terry was last seen as Harry in *Mamma Mia!* (pre-Covid), King Triton, Lord Farquaad, and the Russian Tenor all with LMCT.



ANDREA GOUGH

(**Company**) – Andrea is so excited to be a part of the LMCT production of *Godspell* and *LIVE* theater! She has missed her LMCT family! She is glad to be filling her retirement time with volunteering at NAHS and camping in her new fifth wheel.



(Company) - Johnny is delighted to be back at LMCT doing musical theatre. He has been on stage with the company in *Barnum* and *Mamma Mia!*, and backstage with *Little Mermaid*. His favorite role was playing Admiral Boom in *Mary Poppins* at Lemont High School.





NICK GREANIAS (**Company**) - Nick is thrilled to be doing *Godspell* with his son Johnny, and to be back with LMCT, where he played Tevye in *Fiddler on the Roof*. Nick is a retired U.S. diplomat, and now serves as a Greek Orthodox parish priest. He thanks God for musical theatre and his family.



JAY HRUSKA (Company) - Jay is very excited to return to the LMCT stage for a fifth time. Favorite roles include Grimsby in *Little Mermaid* and Nachum in *Fiddler on the Roof*. He would especially like to thank his wife, Jill, for supporting his theatre addiction.

MAGGIE HUGHES (Company) - Maggie is excited to be

performing in her first show with LMCT! She has performed as Belle, Pinocchio, Ralphie, and James in *James and the Giant Peach*, and many more roles! Maggie thanks her family and friends for their support, as well as the cast and crew for this wonderful experience! Break a leg everyone!





EMMA HUTCHISON (Company) – Emma is so excited to be back on stage to be part of another LMCT show! She has been part of LMCT for a very long time, but her favorite role has been Baby Bear in *Shrek*. In her free time, Emma enjoys going on adventures with her friends.

KATIE KARSKY

(Company) – Katie is honored to be a part of LMCT's production of *Godspell*! She has performed as Pinocchio in *Shrek*, Lumiere in *Beauty and the Beast*, and Grasshopper in *James and the Giant Peach*. She enjoys dance classes, Model UN, and Key Club. Katie thanks her directors, cast, family, and friends for their hard work!





PATTY KIRIN (Company) – Patty is so grateful to be on stage performing in *Godspell*. She did find it a blessing when theatres and voice teachers gave performers a platform on Zoom. The experiences helped them to grow musically and personally together, helping each other through the journey. Patty dedicates this show to Astrid's father Rudolf, an art history teacher and an inspiration to the end. Genau!



Thanks for hanging in there GODSPELL cast & crew.

And thanks to the people who gave LMCT a "home" for 2021 -

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KATE LOEFFLER (Company) – Kate is pleased to be back on stage with LMCT for the fourth time! She has appeared in *Mamma Mia!* and *Barnum* and appeared as Carlotta/Jellyfish in *Little Mermaid*. Other memorable roles include Alice in *Addams Family*, Sister Margarete in *Sound of Music* and Maud Dunlop in *The Music Man*. She is thankful for the support from family, friends, and community!

TOMMY MELGOZA

(Company) – Tommy is simply elated to be in his second LMCT production! When not on stage, he enjoys running, insta-stalking Broadway stars, and making Tik Toks. He would like to thank his family, the amazing directing team, and his dog, Bruno. He hopes you enjoy the show!



OLIVIA PALAK

(Company) – Olivia is excited to be back on stage! Favorite credits: Elle Woods in *Legally Blonde*, Amber in *Hairspray*, Little Red in *Into the Woods* and Ado Annie in *Oklahoma*. You may have seen her on *Girl Meets World* (Disney Channel), *The Real O'Neals* (ABC) and *Kirby Buckets* (Disney Channel XD). She thanks the cast and crew ... and always to DTA-moon, prism, power!

GEON RUFFIN (John the Baptist/Judas) - Geon is thrilled to be back on stage! He'd like to thank the Little Mountain community for the memories made while creating this beautiful production. He'd also like to send prayers and blessings to any who faced hardship during the past year. He hopes that today's performance spreads hope and peace. God bless and enjoy!







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ALEXANDER SCHEDEL (Company) – Alexander is excited to be back on the stage for *Godspell!* Previously, he has worked as a stage manager on *The Romancers*, and appeared as Peter in *Silent Sky*, Don from *All in the Timing* and so many more! He appreciates the support from family and friends, He sends love to all of them!



NIKKI SRAIL (Company) -

Nikki is so excited to be returning to LMCT for her second show. She has been using this past year to bond with her family and kids, but before the pandemic, she played a tree in *Wizard of Oz*. She thanks her family for support of her love of theatre.



STUART VANCE

(**Company**) - Stuart is looking forward to a great summer

with LMCT. He has been a part of several benefit cabarets in addition to performing in *Mamma Mia!* and *Wizard of Oz*. He dedicates this show to his number one fan sitting on the aisle! He hopes you enjoy the show!



CAROLINE VRANAS

(Company) - Caroline is so excited to be a part of *Godspell*! She is going to be a sophomore at Lemont High School this fall. She has previously appeared in shows with Broadway Jr. and Old Quarry Middle School. This is her first performance with LMCT. She wishes the best of luck to the rest of the cast!



NIKI WINSTON

(**Company**) - Niki is a Christian minister, author and speaker, loving wife to David and mom to Jake, Jordan, Joshua, and Lily. She has loved musical theatre since she saw *Annie* at the age of 4. Niki has played the roles of Sally Bowles, Ms. Hannigan, and the Witch in *Into the Woods*.



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PRODUCTION TEAM



SANDY DOEBERT (Producer) – Sandy is excited to be producing LMCT's main stage production again this year! As president of the LMCT Board of Directors, she has been involved with the organization from its beginning ... from putting together the board to encouraging sponsorships to managing the day-to-day business. She thanks the Lemont community for its support of LMCT and her loved ones for their encouragement.

KATE LOEFFLER (Assistant Producer) – This is Kate's fourth year performing and second time as assistant producer with LMCT. She performs with LMCT and Wheaton Drama, most recently as Alice in *Addams Family*. Kate is on the LMCT Board of Directors. She thanks Sandy for guidance and the LMCT family for being awesome!





HEATHER HUTCHISON

(**Director**) – Heather is proud to be the artistic director for LMCT. She was also the artistic director of theatre for The School of Performing Arts in Naperville. She has been director, actor, and vocal director for numerous Chicagoland, Connecticut and United Kingdom theatre companies.

DIANE LINK (Assistant

Director) – Diane is thrilled to be asked back to work alongside such a wonderfully creative production team - and the amazing Heather and Sandy! She has also worked backstage in hair and makeup design for LMCT, Magical Starlight Theatre, The Summer Place Theatre and Epic Theatre Productions - along with stage crew for Wheaton Drama Inc. Thank you all for coming - now enjoy the show!





CARRIE MARCOTTE (Vocal Director) – Carrie is thrilled to return to LMCT! Performance credits include Spirit of Chicago, Busch Gardens, and musicals/operas. She accompanies curricular choirs at Waubonsie Valley High School, teaches private lessons, directs a men's barbershop chorus (www. westtowns.org), music directs at Woodridge UMC, and plays the organ at Chicago Blackhawks games alongside Frank Pellico.

BRENDA PEREZ DE TEJADA (Choreographer) – Brenda is so thankful that theater is back! A dancer since the age of 3, she decided to make it her career. Founder of The Consciously Choreographed Community, Brenda believes dance and mindful movement connect us to our joy and confidence, and help us create more authentic versions of ourselves. Visit www.BNchoreography.com.





DARBY SCHOBER (Assistant Choreographer)—Livin' DAY BY DAY, Darby's been anxiously awaiting the return of theatre. She is thrilled to again be part of this talented creative team. Also co-director of LMCT's children's acting workshop, Darby loves performing, especially dancing and comedic roles. She thanks you for Raising us all up, Breathing Life into our story and being A Ray of Hope - YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

ANDREW STRATTON (Technical Director)

 Andrew's excited to have the opportunity to once again work as technical director with such a great organization and community to bring *Godspell* to life! Andrew's experience also includes sound design, lighting design and overall production management.



BRETT BALESKIE (Set Designer/Builder)

– Brett is an independent scenic designer and choreographer based out of Naperville. He works with theatre companies throughout Chicagoland, including Fremont Street Theatre Company, Up and Coming, and Music on Stage. He also works with several high school theatre programs. Brett is an actor/singer/dancer, and works at Tommy Guns Garage Dinner Theatre in Chicago's South Loop.





ANGELA KUITEK (Lighting Designer) – Angela has worked as a freelance lighting designer for the past couple years and just received her B.A. in Theatrical Design and Technology from North Central College. She is excited to design with LMCT for the first time. When not working, Angela hangs out with her pit bull, Blue, who shares a name with her favorite color.

MAX THALHAMMER

(**Sound Designer**) – Max is thrilled to be working with LMCT again, especially with this unique performance opportunity. Recent credits include *Annie* (Deerfield Family Theatre) and *Mamma Mia!* (LMCT). Max works full time as an Emergency Medical Technician. He is excited to be back behind the board after a long hiatus.





JOELLE BERANEK (Costumer Designer) – Joelle, a lifelong resident of Lemont, studied costume design at Northwestern University. She is especially proud of her costume work in The *House of Blue Leaves* (Raven Theater) and Jeff Award winning *Man from Nebraska* (Redtwist Theater). She thanks her three kids who take it "day by day" with their busy mom!

MATT GOTTARDO (Back Stage Manager) – Matt is super excited to be back behind the scenes for his 5th year for LMCT and cant wait for more to come. Hope you enjoy the show!



KRIS VISHER (Props) – Kris thanks LMCT for including her in the fun! She is happy to be part of this production



as props manager. She started her "career" in community theatre doing props more than 27 years ago in Naperville. She is an artistic director for Magical Starlight Theatre where she produces, directs, and helps with costuming.

KURT MEYER (Audition and Rehearsal Pianist)

– Kurt is excited to be accompanying his fourth show for LMCT! He serves as both a Director of Music and Pharmacist. Kurt also has numerous music publications in print, including with GIA, Alfred Handbell, Sonology, From the Top, Jeffers, and also has self-published music available through SMP and JW Pepper.



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