

Karen Bonnell, alto

Karen's interests are many and varied, arising from her desire to engage others in creative ways using the arts in general and music in particular. Her path of musical experience includes everything from performing in dinner theater and community theater, to a Music Education degree at Florida State, to touring as soprano soloist with combined choirs from the U.S. and London and Paris.

Church music has always been a cornerstone of Karen's career, and she has been an active part of a number of music ministries, in Naples, Florida, and Asheville, North Carolina. Karen loves singing Broadway favorites and melodies from the 1930's and 1940's for residents in local retirement communities and is working to create an iPod music project outreach for seniors and caregivers.

Sharing music through teaching private voice lessons is yet another aspect of Karen's musical pursuits, currently teaching all ages via the Performing Arts Program at The Village School in Naples.

Other creative interests include nature photography, writing, blogging, web design and helping family caregivers learn about relaxation, meditation, stress-reduction and self-care through her Caregiver Wellness website and workshops.