## Bells on Temple Square Ring with One Accord for Spring Concert

SALT LAKE CITY – The Bells on Temple Square celebrate spring with their annual concert entitled "Ring with One Accord." The Bells concert, always an audience favorite, is on Friday, June 14, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Salt Lake Tabernacle on Temple Square. The concert will also be streamed from thetabernaclechoir.org at the same time.

The spring concert will be led by LeAnna Willmore, conductor of the Bells on Temple Square. Geoff Anderson, associate conductor, will also direct several numbers performed by the 34-member, all-volunteer ensemble. The bell ensemble will feature its talented versatility playing on two sets of English hand bells (one with 7 octaves and one with  $6\frac{1}{2}$  octaves) and two 6-octave sets of hand chimes. In keeping with the concert's tradition, the bell ensemble numbers will be interspersed with pieces by Temple Square organists as well as pieces by members of the Orchestra at Temple Square.

Tickets for the concert are fee and will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis beginning Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. mountain time through <a href="ChurchofJesusChrist.org/events">ChurchofJesusChrist.org/events</a> or by phone at 801-570-0080. Each guest may request four tickets, and admission is open to those eight years of age and older.

The Bells on Temple Square have been performing with The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square and in separate concerts of their own since the ensemble was organized in 2005. Part of The Tabernacle Choir's musical organization, the handbell ensemble includes 34 volunteer musicians drawn from a 100-mile radius of Temple Square. Their eagerly-anticipated twice-yearly concerts showcase the broad spectrum of the handbell repertoire. In addition, the Bells on Temple Square often take part in the weekly *Music and the Spoken Word* broadcast of The Tabernacle Choir and play a key role in the Choir's annual Christmas concerts. The Bells on Temple Square ringers were the invited guest performers at the Utah All-State Choir festival held in the Tabernacle on October 13, 2018 and are annual participants in the Utah Spring Ring of the Handbell Musicians of America.

The bell ensemble holds rehearsals on most Wednesday nights in the Tabernacle which are open to the public. Please check the <u>Bells on Temple Square rehearsal page</u> to confirm specific rehearsal dates, as they are subject to change or pre-emption.

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