



### DIRECTOR

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### CHOIR OFFICERS

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### SECTION LEADERS

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## CHOIR NOTES

*A helpful guide to  
more than you'll ever want to  
know about Worship Choir*

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*"Shout joyful praises to God, all the earth! Sing about the glory of his name! Tell the world how glorious he is...everything on earth will worship you; they will sing your praises, shouting your name in glorious songs." ~ Psalm 66:1-4 (NLT)*

Fine Arts Ministries strives to enable others to use and grow their gifts to praise God and offer His Love and Word to those we come in contact with in our community and in our church. To that end, the Worship Choir seeks to minister to the congregation and the community through excellence in choral music.

#### Rehearsal time:

Thursday from 7-8:30 p.m. in M3 unless otherwise noted.  
Continuity of rehearsal attendance is key to working together as a choral ensemble. Ensemble means "being together in rehearsal and performance (worship)". One cannot be separated from the other.

**Please make every effort to attend rehearsal each week.**

#### Refreshment dates:

All choir members are asked to provide a snack item to share for "Refreshment Night" on the following dates:

**October 13th**  
**January 12th**  
**March 15th**  
**May 10th**

### **What do I need?**

If you're brand new to the choir, you'll need a robe and our folder of music. Ask the director and she'll point you to Joann Hobson, the choir librarian or Sally Lantz, her assistant. They'll take good care of you! Choir members are responsible for laundering their own robes and making minor repairs.

### **Missing a copy of an anthem?** See Joann or Sally.

Sunday mornings you'll need: robe, black folder with anthem inserted, copy of the bulletin, and copies of the hymns.

### **Hey! I'm going to absent. What do I do?**

- 1) Let me and your section leader know either by email, phone or in person. AND
- 2) Write your name on the calendar in M3 on the dates you will be absent from rehearsal or Sunday worship.
- 3) If you are absent 2 weeks in a row, expect a call from your section leader! We miss each one of you when you're absent. ♥

### **What time do I need to be here on Sunday mornings?**

For a regular 9:30 Sunday morning service, the warm-up is at 8:40 a.m. in the Worship Center. **We will enter the Worship Center together at 9:17-23 a.m. from the Great Hall (east entrances).**

### **May I leave a service after we've finished singing?**

If you need to leave the service, *the best time to leave is during the hymn, following the doxology.* We try to discuss this at warm up prior to worship. Please leave the loft quietly at the appointed time and exit the Worship Center through the east doors. For Easter and other special Sundays, the choir sings 2 complete services.

### **What do I do with the anthem when we've finished singing it?**

Remove the anthem and your copies of the hymns from your folder and place it on the south counter in M3. The librarians will take care of filing the anthem. There is a recycle box for the hymns and a box for the anthem.

### **Choir Funds:**

The Choir Funds allows us to send cards and/or flowers to those who are hospitalized, have been ill, or experienced a death in their family. The Choir Funds also allow us to support 4 missionary families with a small stipend each month. Choir Funds also allow us to support various projects within Fine Arts Ministries. With the "purple box", you will find envelopes for giving. Please check the appropriate box on the envelope to denote where your \$\$ are to be used. A suggested donation to the card/flower fund is \$5 per choir member (this is optional). Our missionary support is \$100 per month divided among the different missionaries. Donations may be put in the "purple box" or given directly to Sally Lantz, Choir Treasurer.

### **Great Banquet Send Off Nights:**

Please plan to attend rehearsal on those nights. If you need to attend send-off, that's fine, but please attend rehearsal until 7:30 p.m. That will at least allow you to rehearse the anthem for Sunday. Rehearsals on those nights will always start with the anthem for Sunday.

### **Special Programs and Dates for 2011-2012**

*Please put these dates on your calendar NOW*

*Christmas Carol Hymn Festival—Sunday, December 4th at 4pm*

*Christmas Eve Services - Saturday, December 24th 10 p.m. service*

NO CHOIR SUPPORT ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH. WE WILL HAVE ONE WORSHIP SERVICE THAT MORNING AT 9:30AM.

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*Easter Sunday Celebrations - Sunday, April 8th*

*We will sing 2 complete services at 8 and 9:30 a.m.*

