

ST. JAMES MUSIC MINISTRY

MUSIC ON A MISSION

The Music Ministry is on a "mission" to have its programs reach out and benefit those outside the St. James community. Participation is voluntary but we hope you will choose to join us in this music mission "mix"!

October 14 - Karaoke Night - a chance to sing your favorite songs to a "captive" audience. We encourage items be brought to put together "care packages" for *our college youth*. Suggestions: freshly baked cookies, playing cards, Frisbees, water bottles, flashlights, first aid kits, Microwave popcorn, hot chocolate mix, antibacterial gel and empty shoe boxes!

November 18 - Children's Choir Thanksgiving Program—in the spirit of Thanksgiving, bring gifts for the Methodist Children's Home (which currently houses only teens!) - baseball caps, solid color or "team" sweat or t-shirts (IXL-3 XL), movie passes, UNO cards, board games or puzzles for teens , 2010 wall calendars, flashlights,

batteries, combs, brushes, umbrellas or blank CD's.

December 9 - "A Night to Remember" - Christmas Around the World Donations of formula, diapers, and other baby needs or useful items for mothers with young children will go to the *Atlanta Day Shelter for Women and Children*.

January 31- Hymn Festival— As you come to morning worship, bring canned goods to go to *Buckhead Christian Ministries*.

February 7 & 10 - Drama with a Mission - proceeds support our *Youth Choir's summer trip to reach out to others outside St. James*.

April 1—Holy Thursday -As we remember Christ's suffering, let us remember those in need. Please bring canned goods and/or toiletry items for *Atlanta Union Mission*.

April 28- "Old Time Religion" - Love offering donations this evening will go to support *UMCDR (United Methodist Council on Relief)*.

May "Great Day of Service" - Give the gift of yourself and join us as we sing for *shut ins and at Assisted Living Facilities!*



IF NO BIRDS SANG

My talents may not be so rare, and better ones found anywhere but bird songs would not have much zest if no birds sang except the best.

When from the heart it comes sincere, it's bound to have a note of cheer, and blends with others God has blest without much thought of which is best.

So, we might learn from birds on wing that all who wish may chirp and sing; For there would be no real songfest "If no birds sang except the best."

Anonymous

YOUR Music Ministry needs YOU!

Your musical contribution (whether vocal or instrumental) WILL make a difference. If you would like someone to accompany you to your first rehearsal, email lmerrill@stjamesatlanta.org 404-601-4816



MUSIC WITH A MISSION

Care packages for college youth

Gifts for United Methodist Children's Home

Help for the Atlanta Shelter for Women and Children

Food for Buckhead Christian Ministries

Donation to our United Methodist Council on Relief (UMCDR)

Items for Atlanta Union Mission

Joy to our shut ins

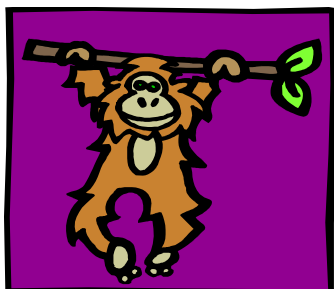
Support of our Youth Choir Summer Tour

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

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CHILDREN'S CHOIRS



WILD ABOUT CHOIR

CHILDREN'S CHOIR
REGISTRATION IS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
After late service
(Age 4—Grade 6)

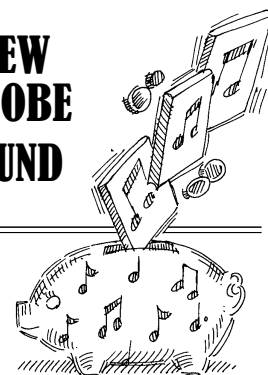
CHILDREN'S CHOIRS
BEGIN
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

JUNIORS (Grades 3-6)
Choir Room
CARDLEERS (Grades 1 & 2)
Room 104
CHERUBS (4's and 5's)

Room 106
(Must be 4 yrs. by Sept. 1)
Please contact: Laura Young
feyoung3@mindspring.com
770-664-1346

THE JUNIOR CHOIR NEEDS NEW ROBES
The robes they are wearing are 25 years old!
We are offering several events this fall to raise funds:
Rollin' for Robes 9/11 from 7-9pm
* A Thanksgiving Bake Sale
PLEASE SUPPORT US!

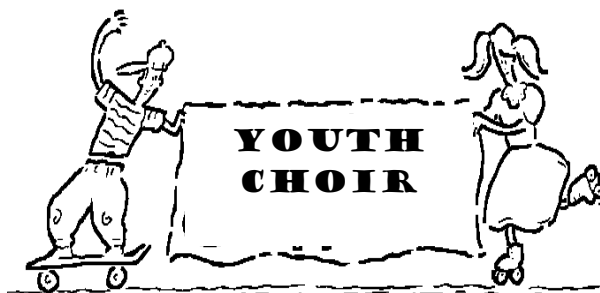
NEW ROBE FUND



YOUTH CHOIR/ENSEMBLE

YOUTH CHOIR BEGINS
September 13
5-6 pm Choir Room
Grades 7-12

YOUTH ENSEMBLE BEGINS
September 20 at 4:30
Grades 9-12



Questions:? Contact Linda Merrill
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404-601-4816 or 770-394-3981

YOUTH CHOIR PARENT'S MEETING
12-12:30
Sunday, September 20
Room 104

HANDBELLS/INSTRUMENTAL



ST. JAMES BELLS BEGINS
Thursday, September 3
6:15-7:30 pm
Room 107
Contact Marilyn Humphreys
404-255-0443

JUNIOR BELLS
(Grades 3-6)
6:30-7 pm
Beginning September 9
YOUTH BELLS
TBA

ST. JAMES BRASS
All instrumentalists contact
Contact Paul Bonapfel



404-252-4171

CHANCEL CHOIR

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Thursdays 7:30-9 pm

Choir Room

An exciting new season begins on Thursday, September 3 but you can join the choir anytime during August, too. If you want to have someone meet you at the door and help you during the evening or have questions? Call Linda 404-601-4816 or lmerrill@stjamesatlanta.org) Childcare available upon request.

This year we're excited to be singing the Morten Laursiden LUX AETERNA for All Saint's Sunday. This quiet meditation on light was written in 1997 by a faculty member at U. of Southern California and composer in residence for the Los Angeles Master Chorale. His composition has won worldwide accolades for its beauty and spiritual depth. Recordings by the LA Master Chorale have received Grammy nominations. The composer was a recipient of the 2007 National Medal of the Arts.

Shorter Commitment? Two Choices

Sing for All Saints Service

On November 1? Join us

Thursdays from 9/3-11/1.

Sing for Christmas Programs

Join us Thursdays from 11/5-mid December



Music is a way of structuring sound. It really gets to the underlying human desire to find patterns in things.

Petr Janata,
psychologist
UCDavis



...true music from rap to Rachmaninoff, is a unique human invention that resonates in us all, striking neural chords of memory, emotion, motor control, timing and meaning-and transforming us in ways that scientists are only beginning to understand.

The Wall Street Journal
July 3-5, 2009

LADIES ENSEMBLE

CALLING ALL WOMEN!

You don't have to sing solos to sing with the Ladies Ensemble! Enjoy the friendship of other women as we sing familiar and energetic songs.

We always sing at Mt. Vernon Towers in December. Rehearsals begin 5:15-6 pm on Wed.

Sept. 9 room 113. For further information contact Linda at church or lmerrill@stjamesatlanta.org

ST. JAMES DRAMA



LOVE'S CAFÉ

Is this year's Valentine drama! Dates are February 10 and 14. Plan to join the fun!



SEPTEMBER'S HYMN

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

Written in 1969, this text reflects the ongoing issues of the homeless, hungry and sick.

Jesus' ministry on earth is put forward as the model for meeting people's needs. The tune "Beach Spring" is early American and compliments the poignant text.

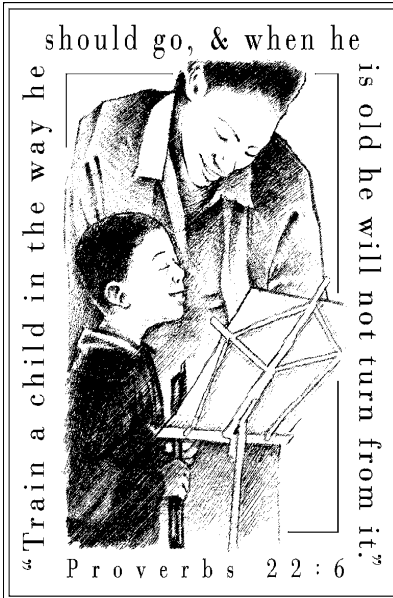
John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, was adamant that his followers sing. Many of the tunes for hymns were originally based on bar tunes so they would be familiar to his followers.

Methodists are known as a "singing people." Our spiritual heritage is celebrated in our hymnals and links past, present and future. Wesley's DIRECTIONS for singing are still appropriate today.

- ◆ Learn these tunes (hymns) before you learn any others.
- ◆ Sing all. See that you join with the congregation as frequently as you can.
- ◆ Sing lustily and with good courage.
- ◆ Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. ..and see that your heart is not carried away with the sound, but offered to God continually.

We're on the web!
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Fall Calendar

AUGUST

- 6—Summer Bells begins
- 9—Chancel Choir resumes Sunday 10am
- 13—Chancel Choir resumes Thursday 7:30pm
- 23—Ladies' Ensemble sings
- 30—Fifth Sunday Sing—9:30 am
Regular worship 10:30am warm-up
Children's Choir registration

SEPTEMBER

- 2—Children's Choirs begin 5:15
Youth Bells begins 6:30 pm
- 3—Handbells and Chancel Choir begin
- 9—Ladies' Ensemble begins
Junior Bells begins
- 11—SKATE NIGHT (Junior choir fundraiser)
- 13—Youth Choir begins
- 19—Chancel Choir retreat
- 20—Youth Choir parent meeting at noon
Ensemble begins

OCTOBER

- 4—Caroleer Choir sings
- 14—Karaoke night—Care Packages prepared for our College Students
- 11—Bells ring; Youth Ensemble sings
- 18—Youth Choir sings
- 22—Preschool Open House—Children's choirs sing
- 25—Juniors and Cherubs sing
- 31—Chancel Choir 9-11 am

NOVEMBER

- 1—All Saints Sunday Requiem (time change—fall back)
- 8—Youth Choir sings
- 15—Caroleer choir sings
- 18—Children's Choir program
- 22—Junior Choir sing (and robe fundraiser)
Bells Ring
- 25—NO rehearsals
- 29—Fifth Sunday Sing—9:30 am



DECEMBER

- 1—Women—Mt. Vernon Towers
- 6—Carols in the Atrium
- 8—Rehearsals for Dec. 9 Choir at 6; Bells after
- 9—Welcoming the Christ Child 6:30 pm
- 13—Youth Choir sings at both
Carols in the Atrium
Kringle Event
Cherub Choir sings
- 20—Carols in the Atrium; Bells ring
- 24—Christmas Eve Services
5 pm—ALL Children, Youth and Chancel
11 pm—Youth and Chancel Choir
- 27—United Methodist Student Day
- 30—No rehearsals

JANUARY

- 3—rehearsals resume
- 10—District Event—Chancel Choir sings (rehearsal day before?)

