

OVERVIEW

Music is an integral part of worship and St. George's Choir is committed to enhancing our shared experience by glorifying God through music. The Choristers of St. George's is a choir of dedicated volunteers in grades 3 through 12 who love to sing and want to learn how to bring high-quality music and leadership to the worship experience at St. George's.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Choristers lead traditional worship services on Sunday morning twice a month during the academic year, as well as select Choral Evensong and other special services and concerts.
- The Choristers rehearse every Wednesday evening:
 - Junior Choristers (Grades 3-7) rehearse every Wednesday from 5:00pm to 6:30pm
 - Senior Choristers (Grades 8-12) rehearse from 5:00pm to 6:50pm
- In addition, special rehearsals may be scheduled prior to major services or events. These will be planned and communicated by staff well in advance.
- All Choristers receive weekly private lessons taught by experienced instructors from the Music Ministry. These 1-hour lessons are planned individually to accommodate students' schedules and are given at no additional cost.
- Arrive 30 minutes before the start of any service or program where Choristers will be singing.
- There are multiple social gatherings and celebrations scheduled throughout the year to which all Choristers are invited. These events are not required but they provide a meaningful time for the students to bond and build relationships with one another outside of rehearsal.

RELATIONSHIPS

Choristers report to the Director and Associate Director of Music Ministries. In addition, the Music Administrator oversees the distribution of sheet music and other music event support.

TIME COMMITMENT

Weekly commitment is approximately 5 hours, including Wednesday evening rehearsal, one private lesson, and Sunday worship. Other special services, events, and rehearsals will be scheduled as needed and communicated well in advance. In addition, there is an overnight Choristers Retreat Weekend held every August at Deer Run Camp & Retreat.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

No experience is necessary, only an interest in learning proper singing technique, musical literacy, Episcopal/Anglican worship traditions, and leadership skills.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING

St. George's is affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM), an acclaimed structured choral training guide that provides a framework for choral singers to develop their vocal skills, musical understanding, and knowledge of the repertoire. The work of this ministry is supported by the Music Ministries staff.

Interested in learning more about this ministry? Contact Dr. Woosug Kang, Director of Music Ministries, at woosug.kang@stgeorgesnashville.org or 615-385-2150 x 254.

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