

Pullen Orchestra

Information for Participants

Pullen Memorial Baptist Church

Overview

Prominently displayed in the Music Ministry Rehearsal Hall is the Latin phrase “Soli Deo Gloria” (*to God alone be glory*). While our congregation expresses diverse views related to “God,” this exclamation provides a foundational philosophy for Pullen’s Music Ministry and gives meaningful perspective to the function of the Pullen Orchestra as it offers its instrumental art for the purposes of worship. Youth and adult instrumentalists who have played wind, string, or percussion instruments for at least one year combine to form the Pullen Orchestra. In services of worship this group offers instrumental music and accompanies congregational hymns and choral anthems. The orchestra plays for Pullen’s annual “Sunday in the Park,” for the surrounding community at Cameron Village’s Holiday Open House and for worship in other local congregations.

Leadership

Minister of Music: Larry Schultz.

Section Leaders: Erin Newton (*Strings*), Mary Croghan (*Woodwinds*), John Price (*Brass & Perc.*).

Facilitators: Erin Newton, Nadine Martin (Music Librarians).

Rehearsal Locations & Schedule

Rehearsals in September through May take place in the Music Ministry Rehearsal Hall (Room 128-B) on Sundays from 8:45-9:45AM. When playing for worship, rehearsal takes place in the Sanctuary. Check the church calendar on the church website for specific rehearsal Sundays (www.pullen.org).

Child Care

Child care is available for rehearsals and events by reservation through Pullen’s Minister to Children and their Families, Libby Stephens (Phone: 828-0897 ext. 212; E-Mail: LStephens@pullen.org).

Dress for Worship

Participants should wear clothing in combinations of black and white for worship services. Ties and accessories in black, white, gray, muted tones, or in the liturgical color of the day are encouraged. Dressing in this manner unifies the group’s appearance and does not obscure the liturgical color of the day. On Easter, participants may dress as described above or in other colorful “Easter attire.”

Music, Folders, Lockers

In the Rehearsal Hall, music folders are stored in compartments assigned to each participant. Music will be distributed via each person’s compartment. Folders and music may be taken home, but are the responsibility of each player. In the Robing Area (Room 128-D), lockers with keyed locks are also available for the storing of personal items during worship. A locking instrument closet is also available for persons needing to store their instrument.

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Notification of Absences

It is helpful for planning and preparations, to notify the Minister of Music of absences from rehearsals, worship or other events. (LSchultz@pullen.org – 828-0897 ext. 219).

Communication

The *Music Ministry page* of the *Pullen website* (www.pullen.org) provides general information that can always be accessed.

The *Church Calendar* found on *Pullen's website* (www.pullen.org) includes Music Ministry Group schedules and events.

Music Ministry Notes are sent via email with more specific information for Music Ministry Groups.

The *Rehearsal Hall Magnetic Wall* also displays items of interest and information to Music Ministry Groups.

Announcements and articles of interest are published in the *PullenNews*, *Pullen Update*, and *This Week at Pullen* emails.

Music via Email

Hymns or other pieces of music may be sent to participants via email, and can be viewed, heard, and printed with Finale Notepad software available as a free download from www.finalemusic.com/notepad.

Pullen Orchestra Calendar

Feb 12 Rehearsal
Feb. 19 Rehearsal
Feb. 26 Play in Worship
March 5 No Rehearsal
March 12 No Rehearsal
March 19 Rehearsal
March 26 Rehearsal
April 2 Play for 5pm Music Ministry Service
April 9 Rehearsal
April 16 Play for Easter Worship
April 23 No Rehearsal
April 30 No Rehearsal (Alliance of Baptists Gathering)
May 7 No Rehearsal
May 14 No Rehearsal
May 21 Rehearsal
May 28 No Rehearsal
June 4 Play in Worship
