

Youth Choir

Pullen Memorial Baptist Church

Information for Participants & Families

Overview

Prominently displayed in the Music Ministry Rehearsal Hall is the Latin phrase “Soli Deo Gloria” (*to God alone be glory*). Open to a variety of definitions for “God,” this exclamation provides a foundational philosophy for Pullen’s Music Ministry and gives meaningful perspective to the function of the Youth Choir as it offers its choral art for the purposes of worship. Middle and high school youth experience growth as choral singers and worship leaders as the Youth Choir offers a variety of choral music for worship services and other events in the life of the church. This group also participates in the annual youth choir *Festival by the Sea*, a regional and ecumenical festival in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, where youth choirs from several states have the opportunity to work with the nation’s finest choral clinicians.

Leadership

Minister of Music: Larry Schultz; Rehearsal Accompanist: Cindy Schultz;

Sunday Accompanist: Janice Hocutt.

Parents of youth also volunteer and provide assistance in Youth Choir.

Rehearsal Schedule, Location & Entrance

Rehearsals take place on Sundays from 1:15-2:00PM in the Music Ministry Rehearsal Hall (Room 128-B). Since church doors are locked before and during rehearsal, youth should use the parking lot entrance where the intercom/entrance system is located.

Folders & Music

Music folders are stored in compartments assigned to each participant. Participants should pick up music folders and any other materials on the countertop before each rehearsal or worship service and return them afterwards.

Worship Preparation

When singing for worship, the Youth Choir sometimes gathers before Sunday School for a brief rehearsal in the Sanctuary, and gathers after Sunday School in the Robing Area/Rehearsal Hall (Rooms 128-D/B). Specific schedule information will be communicated before these Sundays.

Worship Vestments & Lockers

For worship, members of the Youth Choir wear robes and stoles with colors that interpret the season of the Christian Year. Lockers with keyed locks are available for the storing of personal items during worship.

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).

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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 *The Week Ahead*.

Youth Choir Festival by the Sea

March 4-6, 2016 - Springmaid Beach Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC

The Pullen Youth Choir joins other regional church youth choirs to form a festival choir conducted by the nation's finest choral clinicians. The weekend includes enjoyable rehearsals, beach fun, Myrtle Beach attractions and concludes with Worship by the Sea.

Youth Choir Calendar

October

- 4 No Rehearsal (Youth Fall Retreat)
- 11 Rehearsal (1:15PM)
- 13 Wed. Rehearsal following Youth Group (7:30PM)
- 18 Sing in Worship (10:30AM)
- 25 No Afternoon Rehearsal (4th Sunday Sabbath)

November

- 1 Sing in Worship (10:15AM) & Rehearsal (1:15PM)
- 8 No Rehearsal
- 15 Rehearsal (1:15PM)
- 22 No Rehearsal (4th Sunday Sabbath)
- 29 No Rehearsal (Thanksgiving Break)

December

- 9 Rehearsal (7:30PM)
- 13 Sing in worship