

St. George's United Methodist Church
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CHORISTER'S PRAYER

God of all lovely sound,
grant us a share
in your great harmonies
of earth and air.
Make us your choristers,
that we may be true,
worthy to offer
music unto You.
Amen.

Children and Youth Music Ministry



Choir Handbook 2011-2012

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Rehearsals Before Worship Services

Participation as a choir in the Worship Service is a very important part of our music ministry. You are serving as Worship Leaders when you sing and you are ministering to members of the congregation through your service. When your choir sings in a Worship Service, please note the following guidelines:

Arrive for rehearsal in the Sanctuary at the time your Choir Director instructs, which may be up to 30 minutes before the service begins. Your Choir Director will give you more specific information when the time comes.

Sit quietly with your choir until it is time to rehearse.

After the service, meet with your Choir Director to hang up your robe.

General Guidelines

Snow and Ice – If Fairfax County Schools are closed (for Thursday rehearsals), rehearsals are canceled.

Choir Angels – Each choir needs at least two Choir Angels to assist with music, discipline, and many other duties. If you are willing to serve, please contact your Choir Director.

Help from Moms and Dads – We periodically need additional help from Moms and Dads with choir robes, special treats, parties, etc. We hope that all

parents will be able to share in these responsibilities as they arise.

The Chorister's Guild Pledge

The Chorister's Guild Pledge was written to help all choristers, across the nation, adhere to the same pledge as they worship God through song. We hope that you will join us in adhering to this Pledge:

I pledge myself:

To be loyal to the group ...

through regular attendance at rehearsals and services

by a cheerful obedience to the requirements and regulations of the choir

by carrying through faithfully any responsibility asked of me.

To be friendly in my attitude towards all choir members, thus reflecting in myself Christ's teaching of the Golden Rule.

To be reverent in appearance, thought and action as I worship and minister to others in the services of the church.