Welcome Singers 2025

IOIN THE AUDITORIUM CHOIR FOR A MUSIC-FILLED SUMMER -- NO AUDITIONS!

YOU ARE WELCOME TO SING IN THE AUDITORIUM CHOIR AS YOUR SCHEDULE PERMITS. JOIN US FOR THE ENTIRE SEASON, A MONTH, ONE OR MORE SUNDAYS, THE CHOIR FESTIVAL, AND/OR THE SACRED CONCERT YOU ARE WELCOME!!

Please use this letter with the separate <u>2025 Auditorium Choir Calendar</u> for all times and locations for rehearsals and events.

<u>Worship Service Schedule</u> — The Auditorium Choir sings at all 10:30 am Sunday morning worship services beginning Sunday June 8 through Sunday September 7. Sunday morning rehearsal is at 9 am and a light breakfast is served in the Auditorium Pavillion between rehearsal and the worship service.

Choir Festival - Saturday July 19 at 7 pm - Theme "The Light of Life". Rehearsal 2:00-5:00 pm

Close of Camp Meeting Communion Service - Sunday August 3 at 7 pm

National Camp Meeting Celebration - Thursday August 7 at 7:30 pm. Choir leads the hymn singing for live-streamed event.

Sacred Masterworks Concert - Sunday August 24 7:00 pm - "King David" by Arthur Honegger. Rehearsal 2:00-5:00 pm.

Midweek Rehearsals:

Friday Rehearsals begin June 6, 2025. <u>All Friday rehearsals start at 7pm and devote 30 minutes to Sunday music.</u> Rehearsals for Choir Festival/Sacred Masterworks follow, beginning at 7:30 pm.

Tuesday rehearsals for Choir Festival/Sacred Masterworks begin at 7:30 pm.

Tuesday and Friday rehearsals end after the Sacred Concert. Rehearsals for Sunday Worship continue at 9:00 am on August 31 and September 7.

Choir meets in the Great Auditorium unless otherwise noted on the separate Auditorium Choir Calendar. Most rehearsals will also be live-streamed (see below).

<u>Musical Director</u>: Dr. Jason Tramm, in his nineteenth year at Ocean Grove, leads the Choir Festival, the Sacred Masterworks concert, the Classical Pops Concert July 26 (ticketed event), and Messiah Spectacular August 2 (singer participation fee).

Worship Coordinator: Dr. Cindy Bell starting her first year in this newly created position, responsible for rehearsing and conducting the choir for Sunday morning worship services.

<u>Organist</u>: Dr. Gordon Turk, Organist and Artist in Residence, in his 52nd year on the magnificent Hope-Jones organ with biweekly recitals (oceangrove.org/organ) and Artistic Director Summer Stars Classical Music series (oceangrove.org./stars).

Choir special events this summer

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 5</u> — Independence Day Parade — The choir will march and ride — come join us! <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 17</u>— Choir banquet at the Youth Temple at 12 noon (by reservation).

<u>Covid-19 precautions:</u> We do not require masks and encourage you to make your own choice about whether to wear one. However, if you are showing any signs of respiratory illness or fever, we ask that you attend the live-streamed rehearsal instead of the in-person rehearsal. Seating will be staggered for social distancing to the extent possible.

<u>Dress:</u> For choir festival and the Sacred Concert, men should wear white shirts, black slacks, dark tie; women should wear white dresses or white tops with black or white slacks/skirts. For Sunday mornings, business casual dress is fine; please do not wear shorts/t-shirts/Choir logo shirts.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Visit the Camp Meeting website at: www.oceangrove.org/choir and our own website at www.oceangrove.org/choir and www.oceangrove.org/choir and <a href="www.oceangrove.