

HEART AND SOUL

Our youth choir, grades six through twelve, presents contemporary Christian music using choral “trax” accompaniment. Our youth share their musical praise in both worship services the first Sunday of each month and are involved in the seasonal presentations of the Festival Choir. Rehearsals are held in the assembly room (North Hall) at 6:30 P. M. on Wednesday evenings.

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CHILDREN’S CHOIRS

This music ministry is available to children ages four through grade five. The children are divided into two groups. Children age 4 through first grade rehearse each Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 6:30 P. M. and present their musical offerings in both services the *second* Sunday of each month. The children in grades two through five rehearse each Wednesday evening from 6:30 – 7:00 P. M. and likewise present their musical praise during both worship services on the *fourth* Sunday of each month. All the children are invited to participate in the Festival Choir presentations. The children are afforded the opportunity to play basic rhythm instruments, participate in small ensemble units, perform solos, and share hand motions or sign language in their presentations. Their goals are to share their love of Christ with the congregation during their musical praise, learn to read/memorize and appreciate music, and to actively take part in the worship experience.

FUTURE MUSICAL OFFERINGS

As the music ministry grows at Halifax, we look forward to realizing a senior choir for persons who prefer a more comfortable paced rehearsal and presentation schedule, bell/tone chime choirs for all ages, and two additional praise teams. We ask that all congregational members and friends of the congregation be prayerfully considering these new and exciting musical offerings.

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Music Ministries



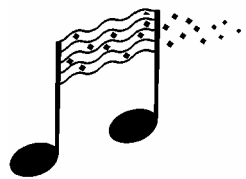
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ADULT CHOIR

Our most active and visible choir at Halifax is our “Adult” Choir. This choir prepares and presents various styles of musical offerings to our Lord during the 10:30 worship service mid September through mid June. Rehearsals are held weekly on Wednesday evenings from 7:15 – 8:30 in the assembly room (North Hall). Although our membership requirement is ninth grade at a minimum, there is no upper age limit. Our goals are to: 1) provide quality musical praise in support of the overall worship experience that brings our congregation into a closer meaningful relationship with our Lord; 2) provide an opportunity for church members and friends to fellowship in times of preparation and presentation of musical offerings; and 3) take our God-given gifts beyond the walls of our church into our community expressing our love of Jesus Christ.

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FESTIVAL CHOIR

Our Festival Choir prepares and presents large single works (cantatas) during selected seasons of the church year (Easter, Christmas, and Thanksgiving). Consisting primarily of the Adult choir, this choir invites friends and congregational members who may be unable to participate in the traditional Adult Choir to join in the presentations. Rehearsals most often are held on Sunday evenings and coordinated not to conflict with other church related activities. Ninth grade and up are encouraged to share their talents in this choir. Most works involve drama, narration, solos, lighting, costuming, and participation of all choirs to include youth and children in the large production numbers of the selected work. Rehearsals are held in the assembly room (North Hall). The goal of this choir is to amass all the volunteer musicians of the church in a corporate musical offering to our Lord.

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BELL CHOIR

Our 3 Octave Bell Choir is one of our newest music ministries. Consisting of members (grade 9 and up) who may have some music knowledge and are able to count to the beat. They perform the 3rd Sunday of each month, September through May. Rehearsals are Sunday evenings @ 6:30 P. M. in the choir room. (North Hall)

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PRAISE BAND PRAISE TEAM

One of our new contemporary music ministries, the Praise Band, includes keyboard, guitar (acoustic, electric & bass), drums and vocals. They lead the praise time in the 10:30 A. M. Worship Celebration every other Sunday, year round. Rehearsals are Thursday nights @ 7:00 p. m. in the sanctuary. On occasion, the Praise Band is sought out as a guest musical group. They also lead special music services, as well as present a summer outdoor concert.