

# Gather Together

singing praise to God!

**Mennonite Children's Choir  
OF LANCASTER**



**Spring 2022**

**Rosemary Siegrist Blessing, Artistic Director  
Chamber Choir**

**Sarah Wingard, Director  
Carol Choir and Concert Choir**



A Program of Lancaster Mennonite School

# Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster

Thank you for gathering with us today. We hope you experience joy, peace, and hope as you listen the beautiful voices of children and youth praising God together through excellent choral singing.

## Men's Ensemble

Thulalila Lele .....Traditional African Song, arr. John Englert

Thula Thulalila lele; Thlalila lele.

The Lord is coming.

If we Pakwisa ba Yesu; tukacitashani.

When Christ comes,

Aza Azabwera Yesu. Azabwera Yesu.

what will we tell him about our life?

## Concert Choir

Kyrie from *Mass of the Children* .....John Rutter, text by Thomas Ken

Awake my soul, and with the sun

Redeem thy mis-spent time that's past,

Thy daily stage of duty run;

Live this day as if 'twere thy last:

Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise

Improve thy talent with due care;

To pay thy morning sacrifice.

For the great Day thyself prepare.

## Concert Choir and Chamber Choir

Gather Us In .....Marty Haugen

Here in this place new light is streaming,

Not in the dark of buildings confining,

Now is the darkness vanished away,

Not in some heaven, light-years away,

See in this space our fears and our dreamings,

But here in this place the new light is shining,

Brought here to you in the light of this day.

Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.

Gather us in - the lost and forsaken,

Gather us in and hold us forever,

Gather us in - the blind and the lame;

Gather us in and make us your own;

Call to us now, and we shall awaken,

Gather us in - all peoples together,

We shall arise at the sound of our name.

Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

We are the young - our lives are a myst'ry,

We are the old - who yearn for your face,

We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,

Called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in - the rich and the haughty,

Gather us in - the proud and the strong;

Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,

Give us the courage to enter the song.

**Sanctus and Benedictus from *Mass of the Children* .....John Rutter**

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini,  
Hosanna!  
Sanctus.

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,*  
Hosanna  
Holy.

**Congregational Song**

Holy, Holy, Holy

**Carol Choir**

**Bless the Lord.....Andrew Carter**

**Butterflies and Moths**

All you butterflies, butterflies and moths,  
All you fluttering and flittering and flying creatures,  
Come magnify, magnify the Lord.

All you butterflies, butterflies and moths,  
All you hovering and quivering and wondrous creatures,  
Come magnify, magnify the Lord.

Dragonflies trembling in the breeze,  
Ladybirds ling'ring on a flow'r,  
Come magnify, magnify the Lord.

Kittiwakes calling on the cliffs,  
Kingfishers flashing in the morning sun,  
Come magnify, magnify, magnify the Lord.

**Grannies and Grandads**

O you fathers and mothers and grannies and grandads,  
Now bless the Lord,

Brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces,  
Uncles and aunts and all kith and kin,  
Bless the Lord,

Daughters and sons, and cousins and in-laws,  
Aunt Aggie's twins and all kith and kin,  
Bless the Lord.

**The King of Glory Comes .....Jim Taylor**

Have you heard the latest word about the man of Galilee?  
Have you heard about the things that he's doing:  
Turned the water into wine,  
Healed the leper, cured the blind?  
Have you heard about the daring things that he's been saying to the Pharisees?  
I hear they want to capture him and kill him.  
I hear he is the King to come!

Have you heard the latest word about the man of Galilee?  
Have you heard about the things that he's saying:  
Teaching of the things above,  
God is mercy, truth and love,  
Saying that his coming is fulfilling words of Moses and of Abraham?  
I hear that he may be the true Messiah.  
I hear he is the King to come!

What's this coming down the street?  
A royal procession!

The King of glory comes, Jerusalem. Hosanna!  
The day of triumph comes: hosanna in the highest!  
Behold, he comes, the holy Lamb of God.  
Oh, blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Carol Choir and Concert Choir (joined by Prelude Music and Choristers on May 7 at 3 p.m.)**

**Hine Ma Tov.....Allen E. Naplan**

Psalm 133

Hine ma tov uma nayim shevet  
achim gam yachad

How good it is for all of us to dwell  
together in peace.

**Concert Choir**

**Agnus Dei from *Mass of the Children*.....John Rutter, text by William Blake**

**Soloists: Rachel Fisher and Miranda Veras**

Little lamb, who made thee?  
Dost thou know who made thee?  
Gave thee life and bid thee feed,  
By the stream and o'er the mead;

Gave thee clothing of delight,  
Softest clothing, woolly bright;  
Gave thee such a tender voice,  
Making all the vales rejoice:  
Little lamb, who made thee?  
Dost thou know who made thee?

Little lamb, I'll tell thee;  
Little lamb, I'll tell thee:  
He is called by thy name,  
For he calls himself a Lamb:  
He is meek and he is mild,  
He became a little child:  
I a child and thou a lamb,  
We are called by his name.  
Little lamb, God bless thee.

**Ride the Sweet Chariot.....Sally K. Albrecht**

***Soloist: Noelle Brubaker***

I'm gonna ride the chariot in the mornin', Lord.  
I'm gonna ride the chariot in the mornin', Lord.  
I'm gettin' ready for the Judgment Day, my Lord, my Lord.

Swing low, sweet chariot, Comin' for to carry me home.  
Swing low, sweet chariot, Comin' for to carry me home.

Are you ready my brother? Oh, yes!  
Are you ready for the journey? Oh, yes!  
Are you ready my sister? Oh, yes!  
I'm waitin' for the chariot cause I'm ready to go.

I looked over Jordan and what did I see?  
Comin' for to carry me home.  
A band of angels comin' after me,  
Comin' for to carry me home.

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## Men's Ensemble

De Animals a-Comin'.....Spiritual, arr. Marshall Bartholomew

Dere's animals an' animals an' animals  
An' animals an' animals an' animals  
Yes, Lord.

De animals a comin', one by one  
De old cow chewin' on a caraway bun  
De animals a comin', two by two  
De elephant an' de kangaroo  
De animals a comin', three by three  
De bear and de bug an de bumble bee  
Oh de animals a comin', four by four  
De ol' hippopotamus stuck in de door  
De animals a comin', five by five  
Thus de animals did arrive  
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah to the Lamb

Oh de animals a comin', six by six  
De hyena laughing at de monkey's tricks  
De animals a comin', seven by seven  
De old fat pig says, "Who's dat shevin?"  
De animals a comin', eight by eight  
Noah hollered out, "Shut that gate?"  
Oh de animals a comin', nine by nine  
Noah hollered out, "Cut dat line"  
Oh de animals a comin', ten by ten  
De old ark blew its whistle then  
An' nobody knew where they was at  
Till de old ark bumped on Ararat  
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu  
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah to the Lamb.

## Chamber Choir

Ich freue mich in dem Herrn .....Johannes Herbst  
Ed. Jeffrey S. Gemmell

Soloist: Tirza Martin

Isaiah 61:10

Ich freue mich in dem Herrn,  
Und meine Seele ist fröhlich in meinem Gott,  
Er hat mich angezogen  
mit Kleidern des Heils  
Und mit dem Rock der Gerechtigkeit gekleidet

I greatly rejoice in the Lord  
and my soul is glad in my God;  
for He has clothed me  
with the garments of salvation,  
And with the robe of righteousness.

The Lord is My Shepherd .....Allen Pote

The Lord is my shepherd,  
nothing shall I want.  
My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green,  
leads me beside still waters.

And even though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me,  
your rod and staff will comfort me.

The Lord is my shepherd,  
who restores my life.  
Leads me in the paths of righteousness  
for the sake of the Lord's name.

You prepare a table before me,  
in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil,  
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy,  
shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and in the house of my God  
I will live forever.  
The Lord is my shepherd,  
I shall not want.

**True Evangelical Faith .....Larry Nickel**  
**Text: Menno Simons**

True evangelical faith cannot lie sleeping  
For it clothes the naked  
It comforts the sorrowful  
It gives to the hungry food  
And it shelters the destitute.

Abundantly we have received  
And gratefully we will respond  
With true evangelical faith.  
So overcome evil with good  
Return someone's hatred with love  
We must become everything to all men.

It cares for the blind and the lame  
The widow and orphan child  
That's true evangelical faith.  
It binds up the wounded men  
It offers a gentle hand  
We must become everything to all men.

**I'll Be On My Way .....Shawn Kirchner**

When I am gone, don't you cry for me  
Don't you pity my sorry soul  
What pain there might have been  
Will now be passed  
And my spirit will be home

I'll be putting on my crown, I'll be on my way  
  
When I am gone,  
don't you look for me in the places have been,  
I'll be alive , but somewhere else  
I'll be on my way again

I'll be on my way, I'll be on my way  
I'll have left my feet of clay upon the ground  
I will be glory bound, I'll be on my way

I'll be on my way, I'll be on my way  
I will lift my wings and soar into the air  
There'll be glory everywhere, I'll be on way

When I am gone, Please forgive the wrong that  
I might have done to you  
There'll be no room for regrets up there .  
High above, way beyond the blue  
I'll be on my way, I'll be on my way  
I'll have laid my frown and all my burdens down

## Concert Choir and Chamber Choir

You Do Not Walk Alone .....Elaine Hagenberg

May you see God's light on the path ahead  
When the road you walk is dark.  
May you always hear, even in your hour of sorrow,  
The gentle singing of the lark.  
When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone,  
May you always remember when the shadows fall  
You do not walk alone.

## Congregational Song

Great is Thy Faithfulness

## Carol Choir, Concert Choir, and Chamber Choir

Hakuna Akaita .....Traditional South African  
Soloist: Sophia Wenger

*English:*

There's no one, there's no one like Jesus.  
There's no one, there's no one like Him.

We walked and we walked, but found nothing, no nothing.  
We turned and we turned but found nothing, no nothing.  
We searched and we searched but found nothing, no nothing.  
There's no one, there's no one like Him.

*Shona:*

Hakuna akaita sa Jesu.  
Hakuna, hakunawo.

Tamhanya tamhanya kwese kwese,  
Tatenderera kwese kwese,  
Tatsvaga tatsvaga kwese kwese,  
Hakuna, hakunawo.

*Zulu:*

Akekho ofana no Jesu.  
Akekho ofana naye.

Sahamba, sahamba: akekho, akekho.  
Sajika, sajika: lutho, lutho.  
Safuna, safuna: lutho, lutho.  
Akekho ofana naye



## **Praise His Holy Name! .....Keith Hampton**

Sing till the power of the Lord come down.

Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name!

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me;

I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.

Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!

Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name!

Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free?

No there's a cross for ev'ryone and there's a cross for me.

Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!

Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name!

### **Instrumentalists**

**Violin:** Tara Kenkelen

**Flute:** Jana McKay on April 10 and Tricia Stoltzfus on May 1 and 7.

**Student percussionists:** Malloree Marshall, Sarah Nolt, Juliana Umble

## Carol Choir

Waylon Baer	Eden Bucher	Carmelo Kauffman	Bryan Rhinier	Florence Thasu
Olivia Bare	Adalyn Carlson	Arie Lapp	Shaun Rhinier	Grace Thasu
Bromna Baunee	Micah Carlson	Delaney Lewis	Philippa Shea	Lily Weaver
Elyce Bert	Chloe Friesen	Jesse Livengood	Ywar Shee	Sam Weaver
Joelyn Blessing	Kaia Helmuth	Aliveah Lopez	Michael Shoff	Toby Weaver
Micah Blessing	Simon Herring	Cherise Martin	Lucinda Snader	
Nevaeh Blose	Elyse Hershey	Rose Packard	Catherine Stetler	
Emmett Brubaker	Ayasha Kauffman	Isabel Reinford	Kate Stuart	

## Concert Choir

Ava Bird	Rachel Fisher	Mallorie Marshall	Gavin Shenk	Ethan Weaver
Simon Bird	Willis Godin	Maryellie Martin	Meredith Shoff	Rakela Zguri
Noelle Brubaker	Brennan Kauffman	Josiah Nolt	Sophia Spurrier	
Sofia Brubaker	Seth Lantz	Max Peña	Anna Stuart	
Collette Carlson	Seth Livengood	Rosalind Shea	Miranda Veras	

## Chamber Choir

<b>Soprano</b>	<b>Alto</b>	<b>Tenor</b>	<b>Bass</b>
Mara Carlson	Kay Beidler	Jared Bowman	Nathan Bowman
Kirsten Kauffman	Rachel Landes	Caleb Kreider	Benjamin Glick
Tirza Martin	Abrianna Nissley	Carter Palmer	Caleb Nolt
Mi Mi Poe	Sarah Nolt	Sam Peña	James Rothenberger
Pree Pree Paw	Juliana Umble	Arturo Veras	Jared Rothenberger
Faith Sauder	Caeley Zimmelman	Noah Weaver	Micaiah Weaver
Anneka Siegrist			
Deanna Smoker			
Elsa Weaver			
Sophia Wenger			

## Prelude Music

Emmanuel Baunee	Sam Knappenberger
Abby Buckwalter	William Po
Eden Doutrich	Greta Shank
Moselle Hankee	Daniel Shoff
Olivia Hershey	Luke Stoltzfus
Benjamin Kaw	Nathaniel Weaver
Levi Kever	

## Choristesrs

Timothy Beyer	Peter Ruggerio
Alyssa Broker	Leah Schrock
Mallory Broker	Hudson Stoltzfus
Merek Doutrich	Audrey Stone
Mya Hershey	Aeric Stone
Ezra Knappenberger	Alec Stone
Elizabeth Miers	David Zguri

# JOIN THE MCCL SONG

2022 - 2023 Choir Season

## Audition choirs

Carol Choir, grades 2 - 5  
Concert Choir, grades 6 - 8  
Chamber Choir, grades 9 - 12  
Men's Ensemble, guys in Chamber Choir

## Non-audition classes

Prelude Music, K - grade 1  
Choristers I, grades 2 - 5  
Choristers II, grades 5 - 8

Choir and classes meet on Tuesday evening during the school year. MCCL is open to all children and youth. Currently, MCCL represents more than 45 congregations, 35 schools, and 10 denominations. Our mission is training children and youth to glorify Jesus Christ through excellent choral music with music that represents the diversity of the church around the world and across time.



- Make new friends
- Learn choral music skills
- Gain confidence
- Serve others
- Grow in faith
- Have fun with peers

**Auditions for the 2022-2023 choir year are being scheduled on May 10, May 18, and June 1, from 4 - 7 p.m.**



**For more information or to schedule an audition, visit:**

[www.mennonitechildrenschoir.org/join/register/](http://www.mennonitechildrenschoir.org/join/register/)

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## Artistic Staff



### **Rosemary Siegrist Blessing, Artistic Director, Chamber Choir**

Rosemary holds degrees in piano performance and business administration from Eastern Mennonite University and has pursued graduate study in choral music. She has taught piano through Eastern Mennonite University's Preparatory Program, taught piano and theory at the former Pennsylvania Academy of Music, maintains a thriving private piano studio, and teaches piano at Franklin and Marshall College. Rosemary is an active pianist in the Lancaster area, having accompanied various choral groups and musical theater groups, and currently plays with the Allegro Orchestra.



### **Sarah Wingard, Director, Carol and Concert Choirs**

Sarah earned her bachelor's degree in music education from Messiah College with a concentration in voice and extensive study in piano. Growing up in Virginia, Sarah gained early musical experience singing with the nationally acclaimed Shenandoah Valley Children's Choir. Sarah teaches elementary music at the Locust Grove campus of Lancaster Mennonite School. In addition to helping with local music camps and events, Sarah teaches private voice lessons. Sarah also sings and regularly solos with the Susquehanna Chorale.



### **Monica Hochstedler Carlson, Director, Prelude Music**

Monica holds a Master of Music in Piano Pedagogy and Performance from Westminster Choir College and a Bachelor of Arts in Music Education from Goshen College. She has taught general elementary music in public schools as well as at Eastern Mennonite Elementary School in Harrisonburg, VA. In addition, Monica built a thriving private piano studio in VA and has served as a private and group piano instructor at Goshen College (IN), Southern Methodist University (TX), Shenandoah Valley Preparatory Music (VA), and Woodberry Forest School (VA).



### **Elisa Chodan, Director, Choristers; Assistant, Carol and Concert Choirs**

Elisa is a full-time music educator, teaching choir and general music at Veritas Academy and Lancaster Academy for the Performing Arts. She also leads the women's chorus at Lancaster Bible College. Elisa holds a bachelor's degree in music education and a master's degree in voice performance from Bob Jones University with additional graduate credits from Westminster Choir College. She was a 2019-20 VOCES8 US Scholar and a two-time summer intern with VOCES8 in Europe.



### **Sharon Curran, Accompanist, Carol and Concert Choirs**

Sharon graduated from Millersville University with a Bachelor of Science in Music Education and a Bachelor of Arts in Music Performance. She teaches elementary orchestra at Conestoga Valley School District. Sharon also teaches piano lessons at Linden Hall School. Sharon has been featured as the piano soloist with the Pennsylvania Academy of Music Orchestra, Hershey Symphony Orchestra, and Millersville University Orchestra. Sharon has accompanied various vocal and instrumental soloists, pit orchestras, and choirs of all ages.



### **Jonathan Keener, Choristers Assistant**

Jonathan has a B.A. in Piano Performance from Eastern Mennonite University and a doctorate in music performance and pedagogy from James Madison University. He has taught piano through Eastern Mennonite University Music Preparatory Program and taught music theory, class piano, and music appreciation at James Madison University, Indiana Wesleyan University, and Ivy Tech Community College. Most recently, Jonathan taught piano and music theory at a school in China to elementary and middle school students. Jonathan sang in MCCL when he was in middle school.



### **Lindsey Stauffer, Interim Chamber Choir Accompanist & Men's Ensemble Director**

Lindsey Stauffer is a music educator living in East Petersburg, PA. She studied music education as a piano major at Millersville University and completed her master's degree in choral conducting from West Chester University. Currently, Lindsey teaches choir, elementary strings, and general music at Dayspring Christian Academy and maintains a small private piano studio.

## Administrative Staff



### **Maria Bowman, Managing Director / Choir Manager**

Maria holds a Bachelor of Arts with concentrations in psychology, education, and English from Eastern Mennonite University and has pursued graduate studies in education at Old Dominion University and Eastern Mennonite University. She serves as a Family Life Educator at COBYS Family Services, facilitating classes for families, with certifications in Blues Program, Incredible Years, and Strengthening Families. Previously, she worked as a special education teacher and in Human Resources at Eastern Mennonite Missions.

**Meredith Fisher, Editor (volunteer)**

**Chris Freeman, Music Librarian (volunteer)**

**Nancy Stauffer, Bookkeeper (volunteer)**

## Volunteers

### **Prelude Music Rehearsal Assistant**

Sophia Wenger, Chamber Choir singer

### **Concert Choir Rehearsal Assistants**

Dawn Kaczor, lead parent

Origena Zguri, parent

### **Carol Choir Rehearsal Assistants**

Noelle Brubaker, Concert Choir singer

Sarah Nolt, Chamber Choir singer

Carolyn Crissey, lead parent

Krista Snader, parent

### **Chamber Choir & Men's Ensemble Rehearsal Assistants**

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### **Uniform Coordinator**

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Maria Bowman, parent/staff

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## Special Thanks to:

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- Neffsville Mennonite Church and Blossom Hill Mennonite Church for rental space.

## **Mission**

...training children and youth to glorify Jesus Christ through excellent choral singing.

## **Vision**

We will develop musical excellence and discipline in children and youth, equipping them for a lifetime of worship and service to the Christian community.

We will pass on our singing heritage through Christ centered repertoire that affirms Anabaptist beliefs and reflects the musical diversity of the church around the world and through time.

## **Who We Are**

The Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster is a program of Lancaster Mennonite School. MCCL is comprised of three auditioned choirs and two choral classes.

Carol Choir	grades 2–5
Concert Choir	grade 6–8
Chamber Choir	grades 9–12
Prelude Music	kindergarten—grade 1
Choristers I & II	grades 2–8

## **MCCL Advisory Board**

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- two 5 gallon water coolers
- gift card to Office Depot or Staples
- iPad
- 100 postage stamps
- 10 packs of sticky notes
- white copier paper
- rechargeable batteries
- white three ring 3/4 inch binders
- navy blue three ring 1 inch binders
- name tags



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to make a donation. Thank you!



# Music on the Moldau

If you were not able to attend the MCCL GO! Czech Benefit Concert on March 13, email [mccl@lancastermennonite.org](mailto:mccl@lancastermennonite.org) for a link to a professional recording. The concert featured Chamber Choir and local professional musicians performing music from the Czech Republic and the Moravian Church. There is also opportunity to give to support this tour.

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GO! Czech is MCCL and EMM's fourth international tour collaboration. The heart of this opportunity is for singers to deepen their connection to the global church and to grow in musicianship, faith, and friendships. We invite you to pray for each singer, chaperone, and the country of Czech Republic.

## Spring 2022 MCCL Events

### Local Tour Day

Friday, April 1, Carol Choir, performances at New Danville Mennonite School, Locust Grove Mennonite School, and Kitchen Kettle Village

Friday, April 8, Concert Choir and Chamber Choir performances at Masonic Village and Brethren Village, and a choral masterclass at Elizabethtown College.

### Concert Series

Sunday, April 10 at 4:00 p.m.

Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey

Sunday, May 1 at 4:00 p.m.

Strasburg Mennonite Church, Strasburg

Saturday, May 7 at 3:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Neffsville Mennonite Church, Lancaster

Prelude Music and Choristers singers will participate in the 3:00 p.m. concert.

### Mass of the Children by John Rutter

Saturday, April 23 at 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church, Lansdale

Sunday, April 24 at 3 p.m.

Neffsville Mennonite Church,  
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Concert Choir, middle school singers, will be a part of John Rutter's *Mass of the Children* in collaboration with Franconia Lancaster Chorale Singers, organ, and a string quartet.



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### Summer Tours

June 10—12, Concert Choir will participate in an adjudicated music competition with Music in the Parks at HersheyPark and share concerts in churches and retirement homes in Harrisburg, Telford, and Souderton, PA.

June 14—28, Chamber Choir will serve on GO! assignment / choral tour to the Czech Republic with Eastern Mennonite Missions.

