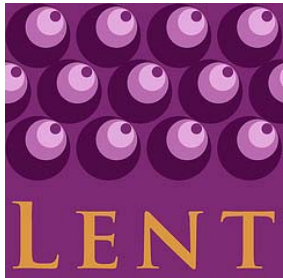

♫ CHORAL NOTES ♫

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Sixteenth Notes

- ♫ March begins strong with the **Children's Choir** at 8:30 a.m. and **Chamber Singers** at 11:00 a.m. on communion Sunday, March 7. The **Chancel Choir** sings a Salieri prayer and a Dawson spiritual on March 14. Finally, the **Children's Choir** will joyfully join the **Festival Choir and Orchestra** on Palm/Passion Sunday, March 28. "Hosanna!"
- ♫ The **Chancel Choir** welcomes singers to stay after Thursday night Festival Choir rehearsals to learn music for the first weekend of April—Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday—including Handel's marvelous "Hallelujah Chorus."

♫ Celebrating "Happy Birthdays!" in March are Lila Hayes (10), Tom Volk (25) and Marcia Estes (29).

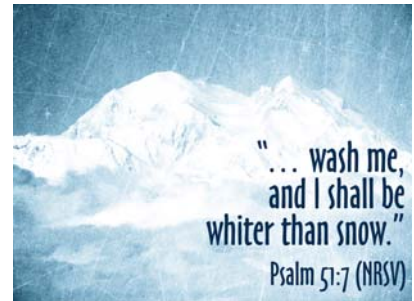
Psalm of the Month

King David wrote **Psalm 51** at a time of great personal repentance. Let us too pray these words during the season of Lent, remembering our need for redemption through Christ (NRSV):

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ²Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. ³For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. ⁴Against You, You alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You are justified in Your sentence and blameless when You pass judgment. ⁵Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

⁶You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. ⁷Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. ⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that You have crushed rejoice. ⁹Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. ¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. ¹¹Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. ¹²Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

¹³Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners will return to You. ¹⁴Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of Your deliverance. ¹⁵O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise. ¹⁶For You have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt-offering, You would not be pleased. ¹⁷The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise. ¹⁸Do good to Zion in Your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, ¹⁹then You will delight in right sacrifices, in burnt-offerings and whole burnt-offerings; then bulls will be offered on Your altar.



March 28 Festival Music and Potluck

Don't forget to sign up for the festival participants' family potluck brunch at 9:45 a.m. in the CLC, once again graciously hosted by Tom Fiedler and Alice Mueller.

Children's Choir (grades 1 through 5) rehearsals will occur between 5:30 to 6:35 p.m. on two Wednesdays: March 17 and 24. Note: A child does not need to attend Elementary Youth Club to be in the choir. **Festival Choir** will rehearse from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. on three Thursdays: March 11, 18 and 25. **Festival Orchestra** practice will take place from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 25; contact Todd to play your instrument. Dress rehearsal for everyone will take place in the sanctuary on Saturday, March 27 from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. (children come at 10:45 a.m.).

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WINTER/SPRING 2010 CHOIR CALENDAR (Chancel Choir in bold; subject to change)

<i>Sunday Services (unless noted otherwise); Chancel Choir 10:15 a.m. call time in music room for 11:00 a.m. services</i>	<i>Thursday Evening Rehearsals</i>	
Click on underlined titles to access free online sound clips!	March 4 6:30–7:30 Chamber Singers 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
March 7: <i>Lent 3</i> Children’s Choir at 8:30 a.m. service “ Moses and Me ” (Herb Frombach/Vicki Tucker Courtney) Chamber Singers at 11:00 a.m. service “Missa Brevis in C Major, K. 220” (entire, W.A. Mozart) 2-4-07	March 11 6:30–8:00 Festival Choir 8:00–9:00 Chancel Choir	
March 14: Lent 4 Chancel Choir at 11:00 a.m. service “A Lenten Prayer” (St. Gregory the Great/Antonio Salieri) “ There Is a Balm in Gilead ” (Spiritual/William L. Dawson)	March 18 6:30–8:00 Festival Choir 8:00–9:00 Chancel Choir	
March 21: <i>Lent 5</i> Chancel Ringers at 11:00 a.m. service	March 25 6:30–8:00 Festival Choir 7:00–9:00 Festival Orch. 8:00–9:00 Chancel Choir	Saturday, March 27 9:00–11:30 a.m. Festival Dress Rehearsal
March 28: <i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i> Children’s Choir, Festival Choir and Orchestra at identical 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. services “ Hosanna to the King! ” (medley arr. Bruce Greer) “Ain’t No Rock” (LaMarquis Jefferson) “Ancient of Days” (Gary Sadler/Jamie Harvill, arr. Williamson) “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” (Stuart Townend) “ Passion Suite ” (medley arr. Benjamin Harlan) “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley” (Spiritual, Hymnal #80)	April 1: Maundy Thursday Chancel Choir (7 p.m.) 8:15–9:00 Chancel Choir rehearsal	April 2: Good Friday Chancel Choir (7 p.m.)
April 4: Easter Sunday Chancel Choir , Chancel Ringers and Brass at 11:00 a.m. service “ I Know That My Redeemer Lives ” (John Hatton/arr. Dobrinski) “ Hallelujah Chorus ” from <i>Messiah</i> (G.F. Handel)	April 8 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
April 11 No choirs scheduled	April 15 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
April 18 Chancel Choir at 11:00 a.m. service	April 22 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
April 25 No choirs scheduled	April 29 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
May 2 Chancel Choir at 11:00 a.m. service “ Thou Art Holy ” (Craig Courtney)	May 6 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
May 9: <i>Mother’s Day</i> Chancel Ringers and Kingdom Kids at 11:00 a.m. service	May 13 7:30–9:00 Chancel Choir	
May 16 <i>Confirmation</i> at 11:00 a.m.	May 20 6:30–8:00 Festival Choir 8:00–9:00 Chancel Choir	
May 23 Chancel Choir at 11:00 a.m. service	May 27 6:30–8:00 Festival Choir 8:00–9:00 Chancel Choir	
May 30 Chancel Choir at 11:00 a.m. service	June 3 6:30–8:00 Festival Choir	Saturday, June 5 9:00–11:30 a.m. Festival Dress Rehearsal
June 6 Festival Choir and Orchestra at identical 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. services	June 10 7:30–9:00 Chamber Singers (<i>only one rehearsal!</i>)	
June 13 Chamber Singers at 11:00 a.m. service	<i>Happy Summer, Singers!</i> <i>Regular rehearsals resume on September 2!</i>	