# the Cherokee Chorale

Christmas with

Let's Celebrate

Scott L. Martin, Conductor



Cherokee Chorale Sponsored by Bill and Sylvia Teasley

Sunday, December 12, 2021

4:00 pm at Canton First United Methodist Church

CherokeeChorale.org

### **Cherokee Chorale**

In 1988 Genevieve Miller, Prof. Judith MacMillan and Dr. Donald Stafford had a mission and a musical dream. Their goal was to establish a chorale to "perform fine choral music in the most professional way possible." The Cherokee Chorale was born and has continued to delight audiences. We have grown in quality and quantity. Last season, our Christmas concert boasted over 100 auditioned singers who shared their dedication and passion for song. Members of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and other professional musicians from the larger community have honored the Chorale with superior orchestral accompaniment.

Over the years we have performed works by Bach, Beethoven, Mozart, Rutter, Saint-Saens, Vivaldi, Mendelssohn and many other composers and arrangers. Our music has taken us to Asheville to sing at the Biltmore Estates' Candlelight Christmas, to Riverfest Festival in Canton, to the dedication of the National Cemetery in Cherokee County, and to the Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg, Virginia. Over the years we have had guest conductors, soloists, and choirs from colleges and all levels of the local public schools perform in our concerts. A Partner in Education, we actively support Cherokee County schools and Reinhardt University with grants and scholarships.

The Chorale presents three major performances each season: a Christmas concert in December, a Spring concert in March, and a Pops concert in May or June.

To learn more about how you can support the Cherokee Chorale or to become a member of this group, please visit our website at www.cherokeechorale.org. You can also follow us on Facebook. The Cherokee Chorale is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and all contributions are fully tax deductible.

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### Scott L. Martin, Principal Conductor of The Cherokee Chorale



Scott L. Martin is in his third season as principal conductor of The Cherokee Chorale. Mr. Martin holds a Master of Music Education degree from The University of Georgia and a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Shorter College, where he was a voice student of John Ramsaur, a conducting student of John Ratledge, and a NATS winner.

Currently the choral teacher at Creekview High School in Canton, Mr. Martin's Creekview choirs have been selected to perform for multiple Georgia Music

Educator's Association conferences as well, as state and regional American Choral Directors Association conferences. Professional memberships include the National Association for Music Education, Georgia Music Educator's Association, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, and the American Choral Director's Association, where he is the past GA ACDA Repertoire and Resources Chair for High School Choirs, and currently serves as State Choral Chair for GMEA. In addition to his choir directing duties he is a frequent guest soloist and a former member of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus and the Atlanta based chamber choir Coro Vocati. Mr. Martin co-founded the Orpheus Men's Ensemble, a chamber choir of local choral directors and church music directors.

He resides in Canton with his wife, Laura, children Joseph, Emily, and Grace.



#### Shelby Marielle Matthews Choral Director, Creekland Middle School, Canton, GA

Shelby Marielle Matthews is a Georgia native, born and raised in the suburban Chattanooga area, and later, Neenah, Wisconsin. Marielle is a graduate of Kennesaw State University with a Bachelors of Music in Music Education with a concentration in voice. Marielle also holds a Masters of Music Education from the University of Georgia, and graduated with distinction.



Marielle is currently the Choral Director at Creekland Middle School in Canton, GA for grades 6-8 where she also directs the annual school musical and the CMS Advanced Treble Choir. She is the current President of "The Marching Owls" Alumni Society at Kennesaw State University, she was recently inducted as an Honorary Member of Kappa Kappa Psi, and is the current Treasurer for GA-ACDA. She is excited to present a session for the choral division at this year's GMEA Conference.



## Dr. Allison Baccala

*Choral Director, River Ridge High School, Woodstock, GA* 

Dr. Allison Baccala is currently the Director of Choral Activities at River Ridge High School where she conducts three choirs, teaches AP Music Theory and is the Fine Arts Department Chair. After growing up in Rome, GA, Dr. Baccala earned a Bachelor of Music Education from Berry College.

She has most recently earned her Doctorate in Music Education from Auburn University, where her

research was based on Comprehensive Musicianship. She also holds an Educational Specialist and a Master of Music Education from Auburn.

Dr. Baccala has been a music educator for 21 years.She began her teaching career in Woodstock, GA as the Music Specialist at Arnold Mill Elementary, where she taught for ten years before taking the position at River Ridge. Dr. Baccala is also an avid accompanist having been a church pianist for more than 15 years. She resides in Woodstock with her husband, Luigi, and their three children, Leanza, Will and Chloe.

#### Mr. John Pawlenko Guest Choral Director

John Pawlenko is native of Cherokee County. Mr. Pawlenko completed his Clinical Residency at these schools: Sixes Road Elementary and River Ridge High School, where he studenttaught general music and choir. Mr. Pawlenko recently completed his Bachelors of Music Education from Reinhardt University, where he studied under the direction of Martha Shaw. Mr. Pawlenko is a Professional Staff Singer at Canton First United Methodist Church, where he assists with the



the church choir. Mr. Pawlenko is also an active member with the Cherokee Community Chorale, singing Tenor. Mr. Pawlenko is expected to teach music in the Metro-Atlanta area. Mr. Pawlenko is looking forward to embarking on his teaching career



Joined by the Creekland Middle School Advanced Treble

#### Our 34th Season! Scott L. Martin, Conductor

#### Welcome by Jaime Merino Recognition of Sponsors Bill and Sylvia Teasley

#### Cherokee Chorale

I Saw Three Ships, arr. Mack Wilberg Adeste, fideles (O Come, All Ye Faithful), arr. Alice Parker Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence, arr. Gustav Holst Soloists, Mallory Tafoya and Charles Claiborne

Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming, arr. Michael Praetorius Amid the Cold of Winter, arr. Taylor Davis Behold a Star From Jacob, Mendelssohn Soloist, Melanie Johnson

Creekland Middle School Advanced Treble Choir Director, Shelby Marielle Matthews Angels' Carol, arr. John Rutter Pie Jesu, arr. Mary Lynn Lightfoot Candy Cane Lane, arr. Greg Gilpin

#### **Cherokee** Chorale

Angels We Have Heard on High, arr. Craig Courtney Wexford Carol, arr. Anna Laura Page We Three Kings, arr. Matthew Culloton

Soloists, Adam Stetson, Rick Harris, and Jaime Merino

## the Cherokee Chorale Choir and the River Ridge High School Chorale

#### River Ridge High School Chorale Directors, Dr. Allison Baccala and Mr. John Pawlenko

This Little Babe, arr. Benjamin Britten Midwinter Song, arr. Susan LaBarr Childhood Christmas Favorites, arr. Jamey Ray

#### Cherokee Chorale

Ding! Dong! Merrily on High, arr. Howard Helvey Carol of the Bells, arr. Wilhousky The Very Best Time of the Year, arr. John Rutter Deck the Halls, arr. Shaw-Parker The Christmas Song, arr. Ed Lojeski Soloist, Jaime Merino Mary, Go Tell It! arr. Mark Hayes Soloist. John Pawlenko

Joy to the World, arr. Shaw-Parker Hallelujah Chorus, Handel

The Cherokee Chorale would like to express appreciation to:

**Cherokee Presbyterian Church** for the use of its sanctuary for our rehearsals

Canton First United Methodist Church for our concert venue

#### **Cherokee Chorale Performance Musicians**

#### Scott L. Martin, Conductor

#### Soprano I

Sheridan Cook Ashlynne Fagan Susan Gooch Melanie Johnson Diana Kinser Julia Lotti Emma Martin Judith Rathbone

#### Soprano II

Brenda Baker Robin Brazelton Patricia Cunningham Joyce Green Debbie Harris

Valerie Brumbelow

**Beverly** Cagle

Betty Frady

Iane Gunter

Suzanne Brooks

**Carolyn** Jones

Lou Knight

**Glenda** Crumbley

Joan Hill Susan May Suellen Reitz Christine Scholeck Glynda Smith Jean Tafoya Mallory Tafoya Carol Watkins Debbie Weeks

#### Alto I

Beverly Henrich Trudy Hughes Ann Jahl Linda Lokey

#### Alto II

Emily Lemcke Sarah Liebert Robyn Price Amy Rowe Rhonda Patterson Jacqueline Poston Loretta Smith Sharon Strevel Sherri Wilson

Sandy Schnee Kelly Skinner Kimberly Sweat Patti Zimmermann

#### **Tenor I**

Justin Davis Rick Harris Tim Holt Jaime Merino John Pawlenko Don Stafford David Stahl

#### **Tenor II**

Felton Dunn Lawrence Gruszecki Al Smith Adam Stetson

#### Baritone

Charles Claiborne Jerry Erbe Bob Markle Michale Swain Daniel Sweet

#### Bass

Lee Cheever Charlie Cleneay Al Irvine Rod Kirby Chuck Lokey

#### **Instrumentalists**

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Linda McKenzie Rod Kirby Laura Martin Linda Lokey Susan Wallace

#### River Ridge High School Chorale

Ella Adkins Katelyn Albright Brody Allen Hunter Alligood Aidan Bailey Marques Beauvil Calum Beckmann Laura Bohorquez Celeste Cajigal Kenadi Davis Aaliyah Deere Tywilleen Edouard Cameron Harvey Naomi Holiday Madison Horne Amina Johnson Dianna Karwoski Isabelle Kessock Joshua Kirk Jeremy Lamboley Ejona Lulaj Joseph Miller Katelyn Mulkey Rebecca Nichols Kiley Pinson Tressie Polk Peter Samaan Serena Semere Luke Simard Lana Stonecipher Quin Tindle Giulianna Torgerson Madison Woods Christopher Yancy

#### Creekland Middle School Advanced Treble Choir

MollyClaire Barber Kate Barchie Senorah Bleisath MaryJo Brown Ella Cochran Maeghan Fitzgerald Emily Fountain Abi Harrop Ava Hart Bekah Lathem Shaye McDonald Mackenzie McKay Georgia Meldrum Sabrina Moran Hannah Motil Isabella Parodi Abigail Rickert Abbey Robinson Maile Rowley Leah Stannard Ansleigh Tomlin Mercedes Watson Athena Williams

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Fri., Mar. 11

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