



Celebrate Christmas
with the
Cherokee Chorale

Scott L. Martin, Conductor



**Cherokee
Chorale**

Sunday, December 12, 2021

4:00 pm at Canton First United Methodist Church

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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 Chattahoochee area, and later, Neenah, Wisconsin. Marielle is a graduate of Kennesaw State University with a Bachelor's of Music in Music Education with a concentration in voice. Marielle also holds a Master's 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 student-taught general music and choir. Mr. Pawlenko recently completed his Bachelor's 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 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!



Christmas with

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

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Cherokee Chorale Performance Musicians

Scott L. Martin, Conductor

Soprano I

Sheridan Cook
Ashlynn 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

Joan Hill
Susan May
Suellen Reitz
Christine Scholeck
Glynda Smith

Jean Tafoya
Mallory Tafoya
Carol Watkins
Debbie Weeks

Alto I

Valerie Brumbelow
Beverly Cagle
Betty Frady
Jane Gunter

Beverly Henrich
Trudy Hughes
Ann Jahl
Linda Lokey

Rhonda Patterson
Jacqueline Poston
Loretta Smith
Sharon Strevel
Sherri Wilson

Alto II

Suzanne Brooks
Glenda Crumbley
Carolyn Jones
Lou Knight

Emily Lemcke
Sarah Liebert
Robyn Price
Amy Rowe

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

Pianist	Linda McKenzie
Organ	Rod Kirby
Flute	Laura Martin
CMSATC Accompanist	Linda Lokey
RRHSC Accompanist	Susan Wallace

River Ridge High School Chorale

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

Creekland Middle School Advanced Treble Choir

MollyClaire Barber	Bekah Lathem	Maile Rowley
Kate Barchie	Shaye McDonald	Leah Stannard
Senorah Bleisath	Mackenzie McKay	Analeigh Tomlin
MaryJo Brown	Georgia Meldrum	Mercedes Watson
Ella Cochran	Sabrina Moran	Athena Williams
Maeghan Fitzgerald	Hannah Motil	
Emily Fountain	Isabella Parodi	
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