



The Cherokee Chorale Presents

### Christmas <sup>with</sup> Cherokee Chorale

Sunday December 13, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

# Sponsored by Bill and Sylvia Teasley



### Live Broadcast from the Sanctuary of Cherokee Presbyterian Church

### The Cherokee Chorale would like to express appreciation to

- the Cherokee Presbyterian Church for the use of its sanctuary for this performance
- the Cherokee Recreation & Parks Agency for the use of the Union Hill Community Center as our rehearsal venue
- Duane Stork of Duane Stork Productions for the staging of the live-streamed concert

## **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 <u>www.cherokeechorale.org</u>. 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 is the choral director at Creekview High School in Canton, Georgia. He 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.

As a clinician, Mr. Martin has conducted honor choirs throughout Georgia and is an adjudicator for the Georgia Music Educators Choral Performance Evaluation. Choirs under his direction have been selected to perform for the Georgia Music Educators Association conference as well as the American Choral Directors Association conference. Mr. Martin's choral groups routinely earn Superior ratings at performance evaluation in both performance and sight-reading. His professional memberships include the National Association for Music Educators Association, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, and the American Choral Directors Association, where he serves as the Georgia ACDA Repertoire and Resources Chair for High School Choirs.

Mr. Martin is also a frequent guest soloist and a former member of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus and the Atlanta-based chamber choir, Coro Vocati. He is a founding member of the Orpheus Mens Ensemble, a chamber choir comprised of local choral directors and church music directors.

Mr. Martin resides in Cherokee County with his wife, Laura, and their children, Joseph and Emily.

# "It's A Grand Time for Singing!"

Christmas with the Cherokee Chorale Our 33<sup>rd</sup> Season Scott L. Martin, Conductor

Welcome by Chorale President Jaime Merino Recognition of Sponsors Bill & Sylvia Teasley and the GCA Vibrant Communities Grant

## Musical Gifts to our Community

- Arise, Shine John Rutter
- O Come, All Ye Faithful melody by J.F. Wade, arranged by John Rutter
- Gloria John Rutter
- Away in a Manger melody by W.I. Kirkpatrick, arranged by John Rutter
- What Sweeter Music John Rutter
- Three Holiday Songs from HOME ALONE John Williams
  - Somewhere In My Memory
  - Star of Bethlehem
  - Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas
- Joy to the World melody by Lowell Mason, arranged by John Rutter
- Hallelujah Chorus (from "Messiah") George Frideric Handel
- Festival First Nowell 17<sup>th</sup> Century English Carol, arranged by Dan Forrest

The members of the Cherokee Chorale wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. The challenges of the year 2020 have served to remind us of the value of family, of friends, of our community. We eagerly anticipate a future of concerts without masks, when your smiles and applause cheer us as we sing. Thank you for spending this time with us today!

### **Cherokee Chorale Musicians**

#### Scott L. Martin, Conductor

Linda McKenzie, Piano, Rehearsal Accompanist Regan O'Connor, Trumpet Shengduo Chen, Trumpet Stephen Newberry, French Horn Rod Kirby, Organ Nate Seman, Tuba Caleb Herron, Percussion Victor Pons, Percussion

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Melanie Johnson

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Soprano I

Julia Lotti

Soprano II

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