

## Intergenerational | Inclusive | Enriching

Help lead worship, sing, and play inspiring music from across the centuries, and build community with fellow musicians and members of Saint John's.

Our music ministry is primarily made up of volunteers who give their time for the sake of uplifting our prayer through music. Our choirs and ensembles allow everyone to grow musically and spiritually through their regular participation. While fostering a tradition of musical excellence, we also strive to make a joyful noise and become instruments through which God moves and speaks.

### Saint John's Choir

### Open to high school youth through adults

Saint John's Choir sings music from over four centuries in a variety of styles, from Bach cantatas to Spirituals to newly composed modern works.

Rehearses Wednesdays 7:30 - 9:00 PM Sings most Sundays (Sept. to June) at the 10:30 AM service

### Saint John's Children's Choir

#### Open to everyone in the community, grades K to 6

Have fun, learn basic vocal techniques and musical fundamentals, and be a part of a great musical team with other youth.

Rehearses Sundays at 9:30 - 10:00 AM (Sept. to June) Sings first Sunday of the month at the 10:30 AM service

### **Luther Ringers** Handbells

### Open to middle/high school youth and adults

A wonderful introduction to music and score reading for those who like to make a joyful noise.

Rehearses Sundays 11:45 - 12:45 PM

# **Drumming Ensemble**

Open to middle/high school youth and adults

Rehearses Sunday afternoons as announced.

### **Recorder Choir**

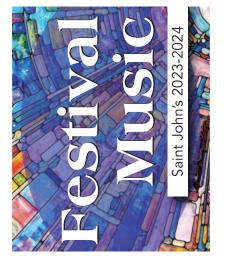
Open to adults

Rehearses Wednesdays as announced.

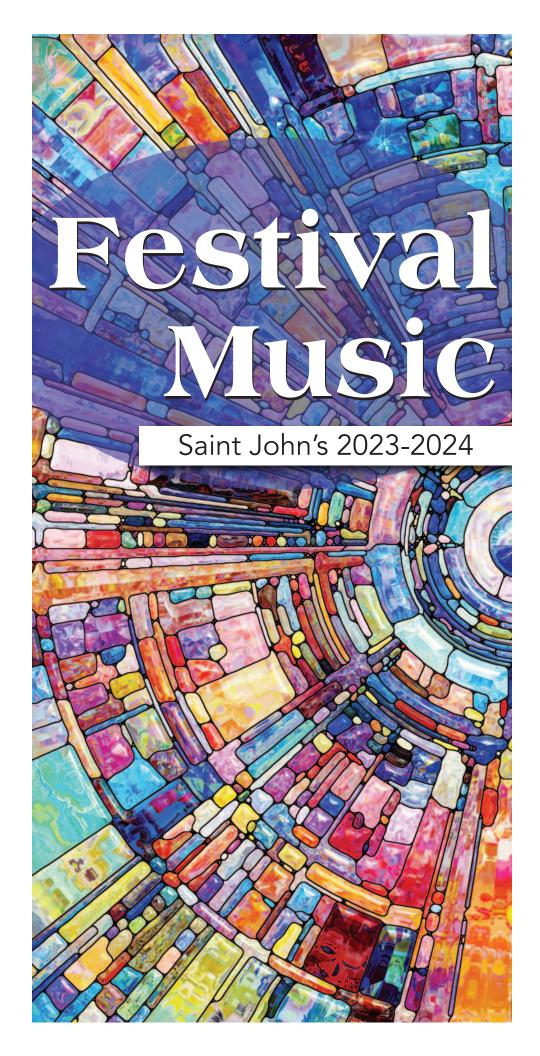
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# Festival Music

# Saint John's 2023-2024

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We invite you to join us for these special musical events and liturgies throughout the year.

All are welcome.



Next to the Word of God, MUSIC deserves the highest Draise.

— Martin Luther

**Sunday, October 29, 2023,** 4:00 PM

# **Choral Vespers for Reformation Sunday**

Celebrated at the close of the day, this service of candlelight, chant, hymns, and choral music is the perfect way to start the week. Join us for contemplative reflection and moving singing by the Saint John's Choir.

Ein' Feste Burg ist unser Gott, BWV 720 – J.S. Bach Martin Luther's Evening Prayer – Carl Schalk Alles, was ihr tut, BuxWV 4 – Dieterich Buxtehude



Sunday, December 10, 2023, 4:00 PM

### **Lessons & Carols**

Sung by the Saint John's Choir

The traditional Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols includes Advent and Christmas carols, hymns, and anthems that tell the story of the coming of the Christ Child. Lessons & Carols was made famous by King's College Cambridge and has been used throughout the world in a variety of denominations to invite people into the incarnational experience of Emmanuel through scripture and song.

Advent Responsory – G.P. da Palestrina
Adam Lay Ybounden – Boris Ord
Drop Down, Ye Heavens, From Above – Judith Weir
People, Look East – Barry Rose
Bogoróditse Dyévo, ráduisya (All-Night Vigil), Op. 37 –
Sergei Rachmaninoff
A Babe is Born – William Mathias
O Magnum Mysterium – Morten Laurdisen

**Sunday, December 24, 2023,** 5:00 PM & 10:00 PM

### Music for Christmas Eve

A thirty-minute prelude by the Saint John's Choir, Children's Choir, and Festival Brass precedes both liturgies. The 5:00 PM service includes our beloved All-in Christmas Pageant and Intergenerational Choir. The 10:00 PM service is our candlelight liturgy with choir, organ, and brass.

Adam Lay Ybounden – Boris Ord
In the Stillness – Sally Beamish
Bogoróditse Dyévo, ráduisya (All-Night Vigil), Op. 37 –
Sergei Rachmaninoff
O Magnum Mysterium – Morten Laurdisen
Away in a Manger – David Willcocks
I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve – Michael Burkhardt
For Unto Us a Child is Born (Messiah) – G.F. Handel





**Sunday, February 25, 2024,** 4:00 PM

# **Duo Organist Concert featuring Christopher & Brian Harlow-Jennings**

This special concert will feature our various keyboard instruments: the Holtkamp pipe organ, portativ organ, and piano in different combinations for duets for four hands and feet. The concert includes Francis Jackson's *Epilogue* for organ and piano and the masterfully-written *Alexander Variations* by late 20th-century American composer Calvin Hampton for two organs.



Sunday, March 31, 2024, 10:30 AM

# Music for Easter Day

Saint John's Choir, Children's Choir, Luther Ringers, and Festival Brass

Intrada Festiva – Flor Peeters Surrexit Christus Hodie – Samuel Schedit Hallelujah Chorus (Messiah) – G.F. Handel Toccata (Symphonie V) – Charles-Marie Widor

Sunday, April 28, 2024, 4:00 PM

# **Choral Vespers for Eastertide**

Celebrated at the close of the day, this service of candlelight, chant, hymns, and choral music is the perfect way to start the week. Join us for contemplative reflection and moving singing by the Saint John's Choir.

Pilgrim's Hymn – Stephen Paulus The Call of Wisdom – Will Todd

**Sunday, June 2, 2024, 10:30** AM

# **Music Sunday**

Saint John's Choir, Children's Choir, and Luther Ringers Celebrating the gifts of all of our musicians throughout the congregation and featuring all of our choirs and ensembles.

From Generation to Generation – Tom Trenney Sing Me to Heaven – Daniel Gawthrop Carillon-Sortie – Henri Mulet