

“Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout
aloud to the Rock of our salvation.” *Psalm 95:1a*

To those who like to sing.....

You are **Invited** to sing in the **Adult Choir**

Imagine, for a moment, 40-50 singers joyfully harmonizing their voices in praise to God in times of rejoicing, or reverently praying in song in times of reflection of God’s love, mercy and compassion towards his forgiven believers.

Most of you are probably picturing yourself comfortably sitting and listening to the beautiful music of the choir at the front of the church.

OR were you considering yourself a voice in that 40-50 member choir, as you were standing next to other choir members singing a part in that beautiful harmonization?

With a congregation of over 1000 members, there is really no valid reason why Immanuel cannot have a regular choir of 40-50 singers, except that there seems to be many excuses why more will not sing.

A serious commitment to have a top quality Adult Choir is being proposed by our Music Ministry Team. No, there are no auditions, therefore, no one will be told they are not good enough to sing in the choir--only God can make that judgment. After all, He gave each one a singing voice--or some other gift to be used to His glory.

To make a choir commitment easier, the following plans are being put forth:

- The choir year is being divided into commitment segments: Sept.-Oct.; Nov.-Dec.; Jan.-Feb; Mar.-May. Singers may commit to one or as many segments as desired, but are expected to be as faithful as possible for rehearsals and performances. Rehearsals will be from 7:15 p.m. until approx. 8 p.m. on Wednesdays.
- Most months the choir will sing at the 8:30 a.m. service on one Sunday and at the 11:00 a.m. service on another Sunday. Warm-up will be 15 minutes prior to the service.
- During Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter seasons additional singing times may be added. Rehearsals will begin approx. 8 p.m. >>

- After singing in the service, choir members may return to sit with their family if desired.
- Mrs. April Stuemke has offered to be the choir director if capable piano/keyboard accompanists come forward. Talk to April to offer.
- Beginning October 15th, the rehearsals will switch emphasis to the Cantata and Christmas performances. The Cantata will be on Dec. 20/21st.
- Interested high school students are welcome to sing with the adult choir.

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A Bell Choir and Adult Choir kick-off event is planned for
Wednesday, September 3rd

6:15 p.m. Bell Choir’s first meeting for set up of tables, etc.

6:45 p.m. Socializing & Refreshments for Bell Choir & Adult Choir
Drinks, ice cream, and table service will be provided. Bring a baked dessert (pie or cookies or cake)

7:15 p.m. Adult Choir’s first meeting & brief rehearsal.

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To reach our goal of a full choir for the months of Sept.-Oct., at least 40 of you will need to say “yes” and/or encourage a friend, neighbor, spouse or other family member to sing in the choir.

You may sign up in the Narthex, or Parish Hall lobby, tell April Stuemke, contact the church office, or sign up online at www.immanuelaltamont.org, click “ministry”, click the “music”, then “invite sheet”.

“My heart is steadfast, O God; I will sing and make
music with all my soul.” *Psalm 108:1*