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## Winter Concerts!

*Friday, December 15th at 6:00pm*  
Elementary School Choirs

*Saturday, December 16th at 7:00pm*  
Middle and High School Choirs

Both Concerts Held at  
**First United Methodist Church**

***Invite your friends - free admission!***  
***Please bring items (nut-free) for our concessions sale!***  
***(Individually packaged, please!)***

\*\* You can help us to spread the word about these concerts by using our Facebook Event Page! Please share it with relatives, neighbors, friends from school, and anyone else!

[Elementary School Concert Event Page](#)  
[Middle and High School Concert Event Page](#)

Would you like to send a special message to your chorister in our Winter Concert Program? For only \$10, you can purchase a "Sing Out!" Please send an email with your SING OUT wording (roughly 20-40 words, and please be sure to include your chorister's choir and name) to oregonchildrenschoirinfo@gmail.com by Thursday, December 14 at 2 pm.

As always, thanks for supporting OCC!

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## ***Give OCC a Gift This Holiday!***

***And remember: gifts to OCC are eligible for matching gift tax credits through Oregon Cultural Trust!***

There are several important items that we need to purchase in order for our choirs to keep running smoothly! If you are interested in helping us to purchase one of these items, please contact oregonchildrenschoirinfo@gmail.com

- \* For our rehearsals, we need a **computer projector and stand**, so that directors can display instructional content (\$400)
- \* We would like to print **concert programs** for each concert (\$300 per concert)
- \* It would be fabulous to have **new microphones** that would do a better job of capturing our singers' voices! (Cost TBD)
  - \* New **vocal arrangements** for our a cappella choirs (\$400)

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**Thank you to all of our board members,  
parent helpers and volunteers! OCC  
appreciates all that you do!**

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## **SYNERGY: Change in Rehearsal Schedule**

As Synergy prepares for ICHSA, our regular Tuesday rehearsals will be extended by an extra half hour, so that we'll meet from 6:30pm until 8:30pm (instead of ending at 8:00pm). This change is effective beginning December 12th and lasting through the end of January.

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## Volunteers needed!

**OCC Parents:** We need your help! We are still trying to fill some volunteer slots for **THIS WEEKEND'S CONCERTS** as well as other upcoming events!

Please visit our [SignUp Genius](#) page to learn more about our volunteer opportunities throughout the year!

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## ***Donations to OCC are eligible for the Oregon Cultural Trust Tax Credit!***

*Whether big or small, **every contribution adds up** and makes a difference in terms of our ability to serve. The more donations we receive, the more scholarships we can offer!*

*And, **EVEN BETTER**, if you donate to OCC and a matching donation to the Oregon Cultural Trust, you'll receive a 100% tax credit for the Oregon Cultural Trust!!*

The Oregon Children's Choir is a proud member of the Oregon Cultural Trust.

If you donate to OCC (up to \$1000.00 per household, \$2500.00 per class-C corporation) and match the same donation to the Oregon Cultural Trust, you will receive a 100% state tax credit. To donate to OCC, please click here:

<http://www.oregonchildrenschoir.com/donate.html>

To donate to The Oregon Cultural Trust, please click here:

<http://www.culturaltrust.org/get-involved/donate/>

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Congratulations to the Girlchoir and Boychoir for giving a wonderful performance at the Oakway Tree Lighting Ceremony on November 26th!

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## Meet the Director!

Jacob Steinberger, Director of Counterpoint

OCC is thrilled to welcome Jacob Steinberger as a director this year! He

graduated from the University of Oregon and is an alumnus of On the Rocks, and he is currently the Director of Choirs at Churchill High School. Here are a few fun facts about him!

- 1) Favorite book: The Choral Journal
  - 2) Most recently visited restaurant: Rye
  - 3) Something you always forget to do: Drink water!!
  - 4) Moment when you knew you loved music: As a 3rd grader, I was at a high school music performance and was mesmerized by the bassist. It was at this point that I wanted to be just like him. I started playing bass in 4th grade and have been hooked on music ever since!
  - 5) Favorite teacher: Mrs. Linda Plouff (5th grade); Dr. Frank Diaz (grad school)
  - 6) Musical you would want to be in: Dear Evan Hansen
  - 7) Something you always say to your students: "Prep the breath"
  - 8) Favorite vacation spot: Switzerland and Kaua'i
  - 9) Number 1 rule: Be kind
  - 10) Favorite ice cream flavor: Coffee Almond Fudge or Drumstick
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**Congratulations to the Junior Boychoir and Junior Girlchoir for their recent performances with the Eugene Gleemen! Both choirs received a generous grant of \$500, and their presence really brought so much joy to the audience!**



**Many thanks to the Eugene Gleemen for their generosity and for providing such a great opportunity for our young choristers!**



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## OCC Rehearsal Schedule 2017-18

(Reminder: No rehearsals during school holidays!)

**Prelude (Grades K-1)**

4:30-5:30pm Mondays @ FUMC Room, Youth Center

**Junior Girlchoir (Grades 2-3)**

4:30-5:30pm Mondays @ FUMC Room 16

**Junior Girlchoir (Grades 4-5)**

4:30-5:30pm Mondays @ FUMC Room 6

**Junior Boychoir (Grades 2-5)**

4:30-5:30pm Mondays @ FUMC Room 11&12

**Oregon Girlchoir (Grades 6-8)**

4:15-6:15pm Mondays @ FUMC Room 19

**Oregon Boychoir (Grades 6-8)**

6:00-8:00pm Tuesdays @ FUMC Room 19

**Oregon Young Men's Ensemble (Grades 9-12)**

6:45-8:45pm Mondays @ FUMC Room 16

**LYRA a cappella (Grades 9-12)**

6:30-8:00pm Tuesdays @ FUMC Room 6

**Some Cool Guys (Grades 9-12)**

6:00-8:00pm Tuesdays @ FUMC Room Youth Center

**Synergy (Grades 9-12)**

6:30-8:00pm Tuesdays @ FUMC Choir Basement

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## ***Upcoming Concerts!***

### **Check our calendar online at**

<http://www.oregonchildrenschoir.com/calendar.html>

(Note: Individual choirs will sometimes have separate performances not included on this list. Watch for emails from your choir directors.)

### **Friday, December 15**

6pm-8pm Elementary School Choirs @ FUMC

**Saturday, December 16**

7pm-9pm Middle and High School Ensembles @ FUMC

**Sunday, March 4**

1pm-3pm with Auction and Raffle @ South Eugene High School

**Sunday, May 20**

2pm-4pm Elementary Choirs @ FUMC

**Sunday, June 10**

7pm-9pm Middle School and High School Ensembles @ FUMC

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**Thanks to all of our hard-working directors!  
We appreciate them all year!**

Prelude (grades K-1) -- *Andria Martin*  
Junior Girlchoir (grades 2-3) -- *Siera Kaup*  
Junior Girlchoir (grades 4-5) -- *Kathryn Leonard*  
Junior Boychoir (grades 2-5) -- *Wayne Strong*  
Girlchoir (grades 6-8) -- *Jennifer Searl*  
Boychoir (grades 6-8) -- *Chris Dobson*  
Young Men's Ensemble (grades 9-12) -- *Chris Dobson*  
Lyra (grades 9-12) -- *Brittany Rudoi*  
Synergy (grades 9-12) -- *Megan Perdue*  
Some Cool Guys (grades 9-12) -- *Jacob Steinberger*

To read more about our wonderful directors, [visit our website!](#)

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