

Concordia Chorale

Concordia Chorale is a chamber choir dedicated to the performance of fine choral works. Members are expected to be reasonably experienced choral singers with music reading skills and a great sense of music adventure.

AUDITIONS

The first two rehearsals for each performance are open rehearsals, after which prospective members have an opportunity to audition. Auditions are conducted by the directors and cover voice range, reading, pitch matching, and rhythm matching. A prepared piece is not required. Membership is open to all, age 16 or older, who meet the audition requirements.

REHEARSALS

Rehearsals are Monday evenings from 8:00 to 9:45 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 150 River Road, Red Bank, NJ.

ATTENDANCE

Since Concordia Chorale is a small group, the reliability of each member is crucial to the attainment of high performance standards. Membership is on an annual basis, not a concert basis. Prompt attendance at all rehearsals is expected. Anyone missing more than 20% of the rehearsals for a concert will require director approval for participation in the performance. Attendance sheets are available at each rehearsal. It is the responsibility of each member to sign in.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

In the event that personal circumstances preclude your participation in a concert, you must submit a request for a leave of absence to the membership chair by phone (732-530-9457) or e-mail (Jan@ConcordiaChorale.org). If a leave is not applied for, membership will be forfeited and should you wish to apply for readmission, acceptance will be based on openings in the section. Former members may not start in the middle of a concert year unless they have an approved leave.

DUES

Annual dues are \$70, half payable upon acceptance to the group and, thereafter, by October 1st of each year, and half payable at the first January rehearsal of each year. Scholarships are available for anyone in need of one. Checks should be made out to Concordia Vocal Academy, our parent organization.

MUSIC

Members are required to purchase scores that are not rented or borrowed. Payment is due upon receipt of the music.

CONCERT DRESS

Men: black tuxedo.

Women: black full-length skirt, black long-sleeved top.

Music in black folders. One source: 877-246-7253;

www.musicfolder.com

CONTACTS

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