

# The Singers for Goodness Sake

## *Come to the Music! Songs of Holiday Celebration*

December 1, 2016 at 7pm at The Cypress of Raleigh, Raleigh, N.C.  
December 6, 2016 at 7pm at Heritage Pines Retirement Community, Cary, N.C.  
December 10 and 14, 2016 at 7pm at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, Cary, N.C.  
December 15, 2016 at 7:15pm at Springmoor Retirement Community, Raleigh, N.C.

**Rob Outterson, Director**

**Grant Osborne, Accompanist**

**Throw Open Your Shutters:** The festive style of this high-energy original is highlighted by the interplay of the voice parts.

**Where Are You Christmas?:** From Dr. Seuss' *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, this contemporary song simply states that love is the key to keeping Christmas alive in our hearts.

**Twelve Carols of Christmas:** In this medley, audiences will recognize many holiday favorites.

**Winterlight** reflects composer Amy F. Bernon's observations of New England winters.

**In Winter:** Softly stealing into the quiet moments of winter, this piece evokes images of graying skies and falling snow.

**There Were Shepherds ... Glory to God (Handel):** In this passage from *Messiah*, the angel announces the birth of Christ, and the heavenly host praise God and send everyone good will.

(Dec. 1, 15: Melissa Thirer-Hayward, *soprano*; Dec. 10: Barbara A. Outterson, *soprano*; Dec. 6, 14: Robin Trew, *soprano*)

**Amani Utupe** is an African piece in English and Swahili meaning "Grant Us Peace, Give Us Courage."

**Come to the Music:** This song is alive with a driving rhythm, mixed meter, memorable melodies, and a joyful text.  
(Robin Trew, *piccolo*)

**The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy:** This West Indian carol with a calypso beat was recorded by Harry Belafonte in 1958.  
(Joan Eastwick, *soprano*; Larry Zafran, *baritone*; Robin Trew, *flute*; Grant Osborne, *piano*)

**A Hanukkah Wish (with "Maoz Tzur"):** Family and tradition is the heartfelt message of this song in English and Hebrew.

**Do You Want to Build a Snowman?:** This song from Disney's animated movie *Frozen* is poignant in its melody and lyrics.

**Christmas on Broadway:** A medley of some of your favorite Broadway shows: Here's Love, Babes in Toyland, The Sound of Music, Mame, and A Christmas Carol.

**From a Distance (Christmas Version):** Composer Julie Gold states that this song is about the difference between how things appear and how they really are.

***The Singers for Goodness' Sake is a not-for-profit choir that performs free concerts throughout the community with an emphasis on performing for those in need. We appreciate your support.***

**Our Members:** Steve Barrera, Reggie Beard, Dustin Bowles, Alisa Cox, Andrew DeBrecht, Anne Delehanty, Barbara Dicterio, Joan Eastwick, Adrian Emerson, Thom Haynes, Jim Heddell, Lisa Hmelar, Barbara Jacobs-Moore, Katy Jones, Lydia Kaus, Stephanie Klein, Jim Knopp, Melissa Osborne, Thomas Parsons, Peggy Price, Mel Reedy, Andrea Ritter, Mary Ritter, Anna Sanders, Jennifer Sudweeks, Melissa Thirer-Hayward, Robin Trew, Rosemary Unger, Sandy Welch, Joyce Young, Larry Zafran, Kate Zajd

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