

The Singers for Goodness Sake

Joy in Any Language: Songs to Celebrate the Holidays

December 3, 2017 at 6:30pm at Independence Village, Raleigh, N.C.
December 7, 2017 at 7pm at Heritage Pines Retirement Community, Cary, N.C.
December 9, 2017 at 7pm at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, Cary, N.C.

Grant Osborne, Musical Director and Pianist

Counting Down to Christmas: As featured in *A Christmas Story*, this upbeat selection will put everyone in the holiday spirit.

'Zat You, Santa Claus? This song has a “holiday swing” feel and humorous rhyming from 1953.

Christmas in Jail – Ain't That a Pain: Written in 1929, the nature of this blues song is satirical. (Thomas Parsons, *tenor*)

Hanukkah Nagilah: This song combines the traditional Hebrew folksong with an original dynamic melody.

O Holy Night: This Christmas carol, set to a French poem, was composed by Adolphe Adam in 1847. (Dustin Bowles, *tenor*)

A la Nanita Nana: This Mexican folk song is instantly recognizable with gentle Latin rhythms and a peaceful tenderness.

Antiphonal Deck the Hall: The joyful melodies in this take on *Deck the Hall* are echoed back and forth in bell-like sequences.

Mary, Did You Know? This Christian song captures the drama of the baby Jesus' purpose on Earth. (Joan Eastwick, *soprano*).

Christmas Kum Ba Ya: A contemporary arrangement of *Kum Ba Ya* combined with an original Christmas chorus in Swahili

Il Est Né le Divin Enfant: This traditional French carol observes the humility of Jesus' birth in a stable. (Lydia Kaus, *soprano*)

Grinch! A Christmas Choral Medley: This piece features three great songs from Dr. Seuss' *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*.

Grown Up Christmas List: This song has grown to express the deepest wish in everyone's heart, the hope for peace and joy.

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas: This song was introduced by Judy Garland in the 1944 musical *Meet Me in St. Louis*. (Adrian Emerson, Katy Jones, Sandy Welch, Joyce Young, *sopranos*; Barbara Jacobs-Moore, Jennifer Sudweeks, *altos*)

The Prayer: Recorded separately by Céline Dion and Andrea Bocelli, the English and Italian versions were later combined.

No Time to Diet: This song is sheer fun and entertainment with 1920's style choral harmonies.

Twelve Days After Christmas: In this whimsical spoof, the lyrics imagine cartoony solutions for coping with holiday stress.

One Candle: This song illuminates the Christmas theme of peace with the Latin phrase *Dona Nobis Pacem* (Grant Us Peace).

Silver Bells (SING-ALONG): This Christmas song was first performed by Bob Hope in the movie *The Lemon Drop Kid*

God Bless Us Everyone: From Disney's *A Christmas Carol*, this song, brings the inspiring message of peace and good will.

The Singers for Goodness' Sake is a not-for-profit choir that shares its love of music by performing free concerts throughout the community. We appreciate your support.

Our Members: Reggie Beard, Dustin Bowles, Patrick Cabe, Suellen Cabe, Missy Dapper, Anne Delehanty, Joan Eastwick, Nora Edwards, Adrian Emerson, Jim Heddell, Claire Huene, Barbara Jacobs-Moore, Katy Jones, Lydia Kaus, Jim Knopp, Scott Lewis, Amanda Nadeau, Rob Outterson, Thomas Parsons, Chip Pierce, Melissa Pletcher, Debbie Reynolds, Emma Sheedy, Jen Sudweeks, Lisa Tilley, Robin Trew, Rosemary Unger, Sandy Welch, Joyce Young, Larry Zafran

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