

# CHRIST CHURCH YOUTH CHOIR 2011-12

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## Clergy

The Rev. Jeanne L. Stewart, Interim Rector

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## Music Staff

Richard Clemmitt, Organist and Choirmaster

Jay Peterson, Organ Associate

Elizabeth Clemmitt, Primary Choir Director

## Mission Statement of Christ Church

The Mission of Christ Church is to nurture our Christian faith as expressed in the Episcopal Church through worship, teaching, and caring for our parish and the extended community, growing through God's love in Christ.

## ATTENDANCE POLICY

Please email or call in advance if your child will be absent from any event.

Choristers should always arrive a few minutes early for rehearsals and services.

Singing begins promptly at the scheduled time.

## DRESS FOR SERVICES

No T-shirts, jeans, or sneakers please.

Ideal dress for services, especially for festival occasions, is a white dress shirt, dark pants or skirt, and dress shoes.

## VOLUNTEERING TO HELP

We need YOU to help with the work of our choir! If you would like to help, please e-mail Richard Clemmitt at [rcl Emmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:rcl Emmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org) or give him a call at 847-347-9967.

### Choir Angels

*As scheduled or at other times, at your convenience*

Sorting and filing choral music, helping prepare mailings, collating paper handouts – all essential and much-appreciated help for the smooth functioning of our Choir. Planned dates for meetings are listed in the schedule on the following pages. If you would like to help on a given date, please send an email or leave a phone message in advance, if possible. If you'd like to arrange a different time or times to help, that would be great, too! You are invited to be a Choir Angel as much or as little as you like, as your schedule permits.

### Robe Repair

*As needed and as you are able*

Helping maintain our choir robes by mending buttons, sewing ripped seams, etc.

### Pizza Parties

*As needed and as you are able*

Helping purchase drinks and/or desserts for our choir pizza parties.

### Tour Committee

*Meetings to be announced*

Serving on a committee to help with fundraising and trip planning. If you would be willing to participate, please email Richard Clemmitt [rcl Emmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:rcl Emmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org) or call him at 847-347-9967.

## THE ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC

Christ Church is affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music ([www.rscmamerica.com](http://www.rscmamerica.com)), an international organization based in England that fosters excellence in Christian musical training. Following RSCM guidelines, the girls and boys in our choir work through graded ranks with the aim of achieving musical excellence. A child can join the choir knowing nothing about singing and soon develop a fine singing voice and the ability to read music at sight.

The ranks are, from the beginning:

- Cassock only
- Cassock and Surplice
- Light Blue Ribbon
- Dark Blue Ribbon
- Green Ribbon
- Red Ribbon
- Head Choristers

Choristers also wear crosses to show years of service in the choir:

- Silver Cross (Three years)
- Gold Cross (Five years)

*Psallam spiritu et mente.*  
*(I will sing with the spirit and with understanding.)*  
*Motto of the Royal School of Church Music*

# NORMAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Choristers should always arrive at least five minutes early.

Singing begins promptly at the scheduled time.

Mondays	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls	4:30-5:30 p.m.
Wednesdays	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls 7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade boy and girl sopranos Boys with changed voices	7-8 p.m. 7:30-8:45 p.m. 8-9:15 p.m.
Sundays	4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade boy and girl <u>sopranos</u> Boys with changed voices 9 <sup>th</sup> grade and older girls	<u>8:30 a.m.</u> <u>9:00 a.m.</u> <u>9:00 a.m.</u>

# SCHEDULE EXCEPTIONS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Please make careful note of the following dates, times, and locations.

## - SEPTEMBER -

6	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<p><b>Choir Angels</b>  <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i>  <i>You are invited to help with the management of our Youth Choir by becoming a "Choir Angel." A description is on page 2.</i>  <i>Feel free to join the group as little or as much as you wish throughout the season. Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i></p>
7	Wed		<p><b>First Wednesday rehearsals</b>  <i>Normal evening rehearsal schedule (page 4)</i></p>
11	Sun		<p><b>First Sunday Service</b>  <i>Normal morning rehearsal schedule (page 4)</i>            The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for an <u>afternoon</u> service today. There is a choral service this afternoon, but it involves the Adult Choir only.</p>
12	Mon	4:30-5:30 p.m.	<p><b>First Monday rehearsal</b>  <i>Normal afternoon rehearsal schedule (page 4)</i></p>

**- SEPTEMBER CONTINUED -**

18	Sun	4 p.m.	<p>Morning rehearsal and church service, as usual  <i>followed by</i>  <b>Evensong</b>            Full Choir (4<sup>th</sup> grade and older) rehearsal for 5:00 service  <i>followed by</i>  <b>Choir Supper Party</b>  <b>in the McClain Room.</b>  <u>All 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders and families are invited,</u>            along with Adult choristers, as well.            Please RSVP to Richard Clemmitt at  <a href="mailto:rclemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org">rclemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org</a> or 847-347-9967            More information to come.</p>
20	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<p><b><i>Choir Angels</i></b>  <b><i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i></b>  <i>A description is on page 2.</i>  <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i></p>

**- OCTOBER -**

10	Mon		NO REHEARSAL (Columbus Day)
11	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b><i>Choir Angels</i></b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
16	Sun		The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for an <u>afternoon</u> service today. There is a choral service this afternoon, but it involves the Adult Choir only.
25	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b><i>Choir Angels</i></b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>

**- NOVEMBER -**

6	Sun		<p><u>Daylight Savings Time ends today!</u></p> <p><b>All Saints' Sunday</b> featuring music sung together with an instrumental ensemble.</p> <p><u>Rehearsals will be as follows:</u></p> <p>7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders      8:20 a.m. 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders      8:50 a.m.</p> <p align="center"><i>followed by</i></p> <p><b>Evensong</b> <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 5:00 service</p>
8	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<p><b>Choir Angels</b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i></p>
23	Wed		<p>NO REHEARSAL (Thanksgiving Eve)</p> <p>The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for an <u>evening</u> service today. There is a choral service this evening, but it involves the Adult Choir only.</p>
24	Thurs	9:30 a.m.	<p><b>Thanksgiving Day</b> <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 10:00 service.</p>
27	Sun	<u>9 a.m.</u>	<p><u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 9:30 service. No one will rehearse at 8:30 today.</p>

## - DECEMBER -

4	Sun	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<p><b>Advent Lessons and Carols</b>  <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 9:30 service</p>
6	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<p><b><i>Choir Angels</i></b>  <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i>  <i>A description is on page 2.</i>  <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i></p>
18	Sun	<u>9 a.m.</u>	<p><b>Christmas Pageant</b>  <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 9:30 service.            Any choristers who have been assigned a specific role in the Pageant are excused from our pre-service choir rehearsal today.</p>
19	Mon		<p>The 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders will rehearse today, as usual, even though school winter vacation has begun.</p>
21	Wed		<p>The 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders will rehearse today, as usual, even though school winter vacation has begun.</p>
24	Sat	<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	<p><b>Christmas Eve</b>  <b><u>Please be punctual!</u></b>  <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 8:00 service            (prelude and carol singing at 7:30)            Older boys and girls are encouraged to stay and sing for the 11:00 p.m. service as well. Sandwiches and snacks will be provided between services for those choosing to remain.</p>
December 25 through January 1			<b>VACATION</b>

**- JANUARY -**

1	Sun		Our choirs will not sing in church today (New Year's Day). However, please don't hesitate to attend our 9:30 service this morning to support the singing of our congregation.
2	Mon		Regular Monday rehearsals resume
3	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b><i>Choir Angels</i></b> <b><i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i></b> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
4	Wed		Regular Wednesday rehearsals resume
8	Sun		The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for an <u>afternoon</u> service today. There is a choral service this afternoon, but it involves the Adult Choir only.
16	Mon		NO REHEARSAL (Martin Luther King Day)
17	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b><i>Choir Angels</i></b> <b><i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i></b> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
21	Sat	Time TBA	<b>Tour Fundraiser</b> We'll need everyone's help to make this event a big success! It may be held during the day, or it may be held in the evening. More information to come.

**- FEBRUARY -**

7	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<p><b><i>Choir Angels</i></b>  <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i>  <i>A description is on page 2.</i>  <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i></p>
12	Sun	4 p.m.	<p>Morning rehearsal and church service, as usual  <i>followed by</i></p> <p><b>Evensong</b>  <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 5:00 service  <a href="#">Choristers participating in our Boston trip must sing for this service.</a></p>
17	Fri		<p><b>Tour to Boston</b>          Depart in the evening for Boston, Massachusetts.          In addition do doing some wonderful sightseeing, we will be singing for two services at Trinity Church, Copley Square, this weekend.          More information to come.</p>
20	Mon		Return from Boston in the evening.
22	Wed	7 p.m.	<p><b>Ash Wednesday</b>  <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 7:30 service          No regular rehearsals this evening.</p>
28	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<p><b><i>Choir Angels</i></b>  <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i>  <i>A description is on page 2.</i>  <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i></p>

**- MARCH -**

6	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b><i>Choir Angels</i></b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
11	Sun		Morning rehearsal and service, as usual, but . . . <b><u>Daylight Savings Time begins!</u></b>
18	Sun		The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for an <u>afternoon</u> service today. There is a choral service this afternoon, but it involves the Adult Choir only.
20	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b><i>Choir Angels</i></b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
25	Sun	<u>9 a.m.</u>	<b>Full Choir</b> rehearsal for 9:30 service. No one will rehearse at 8:30 today.
26	Mon		NO REHEARSAL (Spring Break)
28	Wed		NO REHEARSAL (Spring Break)

**- APRIL -**

1	Sun	<u>9 a.m.</u>	<b>Palm Sunday</b> Full Choir rehearsal for 9:30 service. No one will rehearse at 8:30 today.
2	Mon		Regular Monday rehearsals resume
4	Wed		Regular Wednesday rehearsals resume
5	Thurs	7:00 p.m.	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 7:30 service
6	Fri		The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for a service today. There is a choral service today, but it involves the Adult Choir only.
7	Sat	6:30 p.m.	<b>Easter Vigil</b> <u>Please be punctual!</u> <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for 7:30 service
8	Sun	<u>8:15 a.m.</u>	<b>Easter Day</b> <u>Please be punctual!</u> <u>Full Choir</u> rehearsal for <u>9:00</u> service  Boys and girls are encouraged to stay and sing for the 11:00 service, as well, if they are able to do so.
9	Mon		NO REHEARSAL (A break after the busy Easter schedule)
10	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b>Choir Angels</b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
22	Sun		The Youth Choir <u>does not</u> sing for an <u>afternoon</u> service today. There is a choral service this afternoon, but it involves the Adult Choir only.

**- MAY -**

16	Wed	6:30 p.m.	<b>Evensong</b> Full Choir rehearsal for 7:30 service. No regular rehearsals this evening.
21	Mon		Final Monday rehearsal
22	Tues	10:30 a.m.-noon	<b>Choir Angels</b> <i>For parents only, held in the Choir Room</i> <i>A description is on page 2.</i> <i>Please RSVP to the Music Office before coming by.</i>
28	Mon		NO REHEARSAL (Memorial Day)
30	Wed		Final Wednesday rehearsal

**- JUNE -**

3	Sun	<u>8:15 a.m.</u>	<b>Choir Recognition</b> Full Choir rehearsal for 9:30 service. During the pre-service rehearsal today, our choir will have its picture taken by a professional photographer. After the service and into the afternoon, the Youth Choir will have a lunch party for singers and parents. More information to come as the date approaches.
10	Sun	<u>8:45 a.m.</u>	<b>Final Service of the Season</b> Full Choir rehearsal for 9:30 service. No one will rehearse at 8:30 today.
11	Mon		VACATION BEGINS

The first rehearsal in the fall of 2012  
will be on Wednesday evening, September 5.