

WELCOME TO GLORIA DEO

La Jolla Presbyterian Church
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Membership- All students in grades 5-12 who express an interest in singing are welcomed to join "Gloria Deo". It is our goal to create lifelong followers of Jesus who glorify God through the singing of quality music, scripture memorization and hymn singing.

Rehearsals- Rehearsals are on Sundays from 11:00-11:50 am in room CE23. (Note: If your student attends worship at 10:00, please have them leave unobtrusively at 10:59)

Attendance- The Choir is a singing team, and like any team, every member is important. We learn a new anthem every 3-4 weeks, so I need your presence at every rehearsal. Sick students may be excused by e-mailing me. If you know you will be out of town on a Sunday, please let me know in advance. **The rehearsal the week before we sing in worship is MANDATORY in order to sing in church.** (Call me to discuss special circumstances) See calendar for special rehearsals or changes in regular schedule.

Sunday School- You are encouraged to attend SunHouse or Sanctuary Worship from 8:45-9:45 and/or Contemporary Worship from 10:00-10:59 am

Parent Volunteers are an integral part of a successful choir program. I need helpers for robing, filing music, and providing refreshments, Please sign up at the parent meeting or at choir rehearsal.

Leading in Worship- Gloria Deo will be singing in worship at all 3 services on these Sundays: Oct 15, Nov 26, Feb 4, March 25 (Palm Sunday) and April 29. See calendar for schedule on "Singing Sundays" (Please don't call them "performances." We are leading the congregation in worshipping God.)

Special Concerts (Save the Date):

Christmas Concert- Sunday Dec. 10, 4:00 pm (rehearsal Saturday Dec. 9 in the morning)

Christmas Eve Dec. 24- 5:00 service

"Sing for the King" or possible musical May 7, 2018

Robes- All choir members will be assigned a robe to wear when singing in church. It is your responsibility to keep it clean. Machine wash in cold water and tumble dry. Do not dry clean or iron. Please wash your robe as soon as you receive it, at the end of the year, and whenever it has stains. Collars are DRY CLEAN ONLY.

Choir Awards- At the end of their first year in choir, students are given a pendant. This is part of our "uniform" (like our robe) and is kept at church to be worn on the Sundays we sing in worship. Each year of faithful attendance, the student receives a pin to add onto the ribbon. Pins and pendants are awards for "longevity of service" and are earned by faithful attendance. Your student may not miss more than 3 "Singing Sundays" or concerts, or more than SIX

unexcused rehearsals. (I realize high school students have many commitments- please try to make choir one of those priorities) At the end of their senior year, your student will have a wonderful keepsake of their faithful service to LJPC!

Website- ljpres.org/youthchoir Please check it often for calendar updates, links to our anthems, etc.

Questions or Concerns? Please contact Kathy Fait at musicmomkf@gmail.com or kathyf@ljpres.org