

WELCOME TO JOYFUL SOUND

La Jolla Presbyterian Church
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Membership- All children in Grades 1-4 who enjoy singing are welcomed to join "Joyful Sound." It is our goal to disciple children through the use of quality music, Scripture memorization and hymn singing.

Rehearsals- Rehearsals are on Sundays from *9:15-10:00 am in room CE23. *Treats are given to those who are on time.

Attendance- The Choir is a singing team, and like any team, every member is important. We learn a new anthem every 4 weeks, so I need your child's presence at every rehearsal. Sick children 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 on website for special rehearsals or changes in regular schedule.

Parent Observers can be a distraction to the director or the children. You may watch an occasional rehearsal by arranging it with the director in advance. If your child has trouble adjusting to choir, you are welcome to stay and *participate* in the rehearsal.

Sunday School- After choir, your child will be taken to Sunday School from 10:00-11:00. If you are picking your child up at 10:00, you MUST come into the choir room and sign them out.

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

Singing in Worship- The children will be singing in worship at all 3 services on these Sundays: Oct. 29, Dec. 3, Feb. 25, 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 (mandatory 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, children are given a pendant. Unlike sports or academic medals your child may have received, this pendant is part of our "uniform" (like our robe) and it is kept at church to be worn when we sing in worship. Each year that your child

completes in choir, they receive a pin which is added to the ribbon. Pins and pendants are rewards for "longevity of service" and are earned by faithful attendance. Your child may not miss more than 3 "Singing Sundays" or concerts, or more than SIX unexcused rehearsals. At the end of their senior year, your child will have a wonderful keepsake of their faithful service to LJPC

Website- ljpres.org/childrenschoir 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