The Arizona Saints Chorale presents A Child's Prayer





"Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God." Mark 10:14



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ASC History

The Arizona Saints Chorale was started in 2018 with 8 singers who wanted to make a difference in their community through music. As we have grown in numbers, so has our mission, and we have facilitated in the donations of tens of thousands of dollars to nonprofits throughout the Valley:

Child Crisis AZ - childcrisisaz.org House of Refuge - houseofrefuge.org Veterans for Veterans Jacob's Hope - jacobshopeaz.org The Singletons - thesingletonsaz.org Foundation for Senior Living - fsl.org Raising Special Kids - raisingspecialkids.org Lily's Pad - lilyspadaz.org RICE - Refugees and Immigrants Community for Empowerment - riceaz.org Gathering Humanity - gatheringhumanity.org

Program

Take Me to the Water.....Rollo Dilworth

Oh, Children Come.....Keith & Kristyn Getty arr. Joseph M. Martin Laura Hale. soloist Chad Hall, soloist Rvan Giacinto, Violin A Child's Prayer.....Janice Kapp Perry arr. Forrest Chapin II Star Light, Star Bright......Emily Drum The Boy Without Words......Forrest Chapin II Lizzie Crandall. Clarinet Goodnight Moon.....Eric Whitacre Sister Hazel Jones. soloist

Motherless Child......Traditional Negro SpiritualAmanda Bushman, Tenor Saxarr. Shavon Lloyd

Program cont.

O Love......Elaine Hagenberg Golliwog's Cakewalk.....Claude Debussy Benngy Peterson, Piano My House from "Matilda"......Tim Minchin Go the Distance from "Hercules".....Alan Menken David Zippel I Will Pray and Sing.....Jocelyn Hagen Wash Away the Devil......Forrest Chapin II Ashton Parry, soloist Jaden Hutcherson, soloist

Dank Sei Dir Gott from "Elijah" Felix Mendelssohn

Selected Lyrics

<u>A Child's Prayer</u> Heavenly Father, are you really there? And you hear and answer ev'ry child's prayer? Some say that heaven is far away, But I feel it close around me as I pray.

Heavenly Father, I remember now Something that Jesus told disciples long ago: "Suffer the children to come to me." Father, in prayer I'm coming now to thee.

Pray, He is there; Speak, He is list'ning. You are His child; His love now surrounds you. He hears your prayer; He loves the children. Of such is the kingdom, the kingdom of heav'n. <u>Motherless Child</u>

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child, A long way from home.

Sometimes I feel like I'm almos' gone Way up in the heavenly land, A long way from home.

<u>O Love</u>

O Love that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Joy, that seeks me through the pain, O Joy, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

Selected Lyrics

<u>Wash Away the Devil</u> adapted from Isaiah 1:16, 18 2 Nephi 4:27

Wash away the devil!

Come let us reason together, child, Reason with the Lord! Come on down and say a prayer That makes you right with God! Lucifer will sift your soul, So take the time to know: Jesus Christ and His Atonement cleans you head to toe!

Wash away the devil!

Take the bread and water and wash those sins away! Be my sons and daughters, this is the latter day! Come on down and say a prayer that makes you right with God! Lucifer fell from heaven to take your soul away!

> "Why should I yield to sin, because of my flesh?"

Come let us reason together child: Scarlet shall be snow! <u>Dank Sei Der Gott (Thanks Be to</u> <u>God)</u> English Lyrics

Thanks be to God, he laveth the thirsty land! The waters gather, they rush along! They are lifting their voices!

The stormy billows are high; Their fury is mighty, mighty their fury.

But the Lord is above them, and Almighty.

Who is Gathering Humanity?



Gathering Humanity is a grassroots, non-profit organization that provides essential goods to those experiencing resettlement and other vulnerable populations.

Since 2016 we have been organizing community donations & volunteer power to furnish apartments for refugees & others. This service not only offers a significant financial benefit but a warm welcome to our new neighbors.

History

Founded in 2016 by three women passionate about serving those in need, Gathering Humanity started working with agencies that resettle refugees in the Phoenix area. Since 2016, our breadth of assistance has grown. The founders, Christina, Nicole, and Sarah—along with a team of volunteers—now work with various agencies, organizations and faith based organizations to identify community needs that our efforts can meet.





Directors



Forrest Chapin II is the founder, director, and resident composer for the Arizona Saints Chorale and has been since 2018. He learned the piano at an early age and was able to pick up on musical skills as he joined band and choir in his high school years. He works as a professional piano tuner for his father's company, Chapin Piano Service LLC, and spends his free time with his family. In addition to running the ASC music program, he is the executive director and president of the board.



Zoey Jennings just graduated with her BMUS in Music Therapy from Arizona State University. She has been studying voice for nine years and works for Montessori International School, assisting in classroom management and child supervision. In her spare time, she enjoys painting, hanging out with her family, and spending time with her husband, Warren. They are just welcomed their son, Oliver, in March!

Collaborative Pianists



Mary Ellen Loose, Collaborative Pianist, Arranger, Composer and Musical Theatre Director has been on the Music Faculty at Chandler-Gilbert Community College for twenty years. In 2005, she wrote music for the Nauvoo Pageant. Jackman Music, Santa Barbara Music and Colla Voce have published her choral and piano works. She is known as "Grandma Emmie" to her 7 grandchildren and spending time with them is her favorite thing to do!

Benngy Peterson is a classical and jazz pianist. He has been playing since he was 3 and a half when his grandmother began giving him lessons. While is career field is in software, Benngy's passion is in music and he is always accompanying someone, learning a new solo; or writing a new piece. Benngy loves all things nerdy, and tries to be friends with everyone.



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Joseph Hale started singing with the Arizona Saints Chorale in 2019 as a vocal bass. He sang in and directed contemporary a cappella groups throughout high school. An experienced software engineer by trade, Joseph currently serves as a board member helping the Chorale with its finances and long-term goals.



Board Members



D. Brennen Martin has loved learning more about music and vocal performance since joining the Arizona Saints Chorale in 2021. He currently serves as a board member advising the Chorale as it looks to raising funds through grants and fundraising. Brennen holds a degree in Biomedical Engineering from Arizona State University and currently works as a Quality Assurance Engineer at Dexcom. He loves all things aviation and loves to build things.

Music is something that has been a part of Ashton's life since she was young. Since the 5th grade, she has been in a choir anytime her schedule allowed. She loves sharing the gift of music and of hearing the world around her, and works as an audiologist on the day-to-day.



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