

Rehearsals through the end of December 2017

Here are our scheduled rehearsal dates, times and locations for the remainder of 2017:



September

- Thursdays, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Choir Room: 7, 14, & 21 SEP 17
- Thursday, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Sanctuary: 28 SEP 17
- Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary: 30 SEP 17

October

- Thursdays, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Choir Room: 5, 12, & 19 OCT 17
- Thursday, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Sanctuary: 26 OCT 17
- Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Choir Room: 21 OCT 17
- Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary: 28 OCT 17

November

- Thursdays, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Choir Room: 2, 9, 16, & 30 NOV 17
- Thursday, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Sanctuary: None.
- Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary: None.
- Saturday, 9:00 – 11:00 AM in the Choir Room and 6:00 – 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall: 11 NOV 17 (in preparation for Sun., 12 NOV 17 Veterans Day Luncheon)

December

- Thursdays, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Choir Room: 7, 14 & 21 DEC 17
 - Thursday, 7:30 – 8:30 PM in the Sanctuary: None.
 - Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary: 9 & 16 DEC 17
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Easter Week Rehearsals

Brass/Orchestra:



Here is information for our final Easter Week music rehearsals and other coordinating instructions for Easter Sunday. Remember that our Easter Sunday music rehearsal this week is 7:30 – 9:00 PM tomorrow, Wednesday, April 12th, NOT Thursday.

IMPORTANT: Please arrive for Wednesday's rehearsal by 7:20 PM or earlier in order to help set up and to be ready to start rehearsal with Milton and the choirs promptly at 7:30 PM.

We'll also have one final rehearsal 9:00 – 10:00 AM this Saturday, April 15th in the Choir Room.

Here are the details for Easter Sunday 2017:

Easter 2017 Morning Services

- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service – Trumpets only + Chancel Choir Ensemble (Hymns 302, 308 only)
- 8:20 a.m. – Parrish Bells, Chancel Choir, Brass Ensemble/Orchestra
- 9:45 a.m. – Wesley singers
- 11:00 a.m. – Parrish Bells, Chancel Choir & Brass Ensemble/Orchestra

Easter Services Music

- **Prelude:** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!* (Cathy Moglebust arrangement; congregation sings Hymn #302)
- **Anthem:** *Alleluia, He Lives!*
- **Postlude:** *Hallelujah Chorus* from Messiah (George F. Handel)
- **Hymns:**
 - **Hymn #302:** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*
 - **Hymn #304:** *Easter People Raise Your Voices*
 - **Hymn #308:** *Thine Be the Glory*
 - **Sunrise Service:** Hymns #302 & #308 only at the Sunrise Service

Additional Coordinating instructions

- **Services Played:** Bells and Brass/Orchestra play the complete 8:30 and 11:00 AM Easter Sunday services, but NOT the 9:45 AM Easter service.
- **Seating:** There will be Communion; however, brass will sit in the choir loft in front of the choir, which also enables bells to play from the rail area. Timpani at floor level near organ (exact placement TBD).

- Wednesday, 12 APR 17 rehearsal schedule:
 - 7:30-8:15 PM – Rehearse *Jesus Christ is Risen Today; Easter People; Thine Be the Glory; Alleluia He Lives; Hallelujah Chorus.*
 - 8:15 PM – Rehearse one verse each of the Sunrise Service hymns with Bill Schillinger and then Katherine Colburn arrives to practice Nearer My God while the Brass/orchestra take a 10-minute break.
 - 8:30 PM – Chancel Choir moves to the choir room for additional work on their Easter Music and My Eternal King; their rehearsal might go until 9:15 PM.
 - Brass/Orchestra continues working on our music from 8:30 PM to perhaps 9:00 PM as needed to work on any trouble spots.
- Saturday, 15 APR 17 rehearsal: 9:00 – 10:00 AM will be in the choir room, NOT the sanctuary.
- Easter Sunday Morning set-up and rehearsal:
 - 7:00 AM – Parrish Bells set up bells.
 - 7:15-7:30 AM – Parrish Bells rehearsal of Fanfare and Affirmation.
 - 7:30-7:45 AM – Practice Processional Jesus Christ Is Risen Today with Brass/Orchestra and Choir and Hymns #304 and #308.
 - 7:45-8:00 AM – Chancel Choir and Brass/orchestra rehearse Alleluia He Lives and Hallelujah Chorus (sung only at 11:00 AM service).
 - Run-through of music will be completed by 8:00 AM (or 8:05 AM at the latest).
 - Break from 8:05 AM until the start of the 8:30 AM service (be seated by 8:20 AM).
- Easter Sunday uniform: White shirts with colorful, Easter ties/scarfs; dark trousers/skirts.

Keep working on your parts to ensure you have them down. I encourage you to at least listen to, but also play along with audio files of our music at:

- <http://umcgracebrass.org/event/brass-ensemble-performs-aster-sunday/> .

See you at rehearsal tomorrow evening!

Brass rehearsal CANCELLED – 13 OCT 16

There will be no brass rehearsal this Thursday, October 13th, as there will be a visitation from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at the church in memory of Pastor Janet's husband, Paul. I strongly encourage you all to attend. See below for details.



Church Mailer

Visitation and Funeral Service Information for Dr. Paul Salbert

The family will receive friends Thursday, October 13, 6:00-8:00 pm for visitation at Grace UMC. A Service of Death and Resurrection will be Friday, October 14, at 1:30 pm at Grace UMC with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to:

- Fairfax Choral Society, 4028 Hummer Rd, Annandale, VA 22003
- Grace United Methodist Church Audiovisual / Communications Team, 9750 Wellington Rd., Manassas, VA 20110
- Art for Humanity Health Clinic, 635 25th Street South, Arlington, VA 22202

We are anticipating a very large crowd for both events, if you would like to help:

- Provide finger foods for the Friday reception (Drop off times are Thursday 4-7 pm and Friday 9:30 am-12 noon) (Veggie trays have already been donated)
- Donate money towards purchase of food
- Help Set up on Thursday
- Help Clean up on Thursday
- Help Set up on Friday
- Help Clean up on Friday

Please contact Judy Paap, Bereavement Coordinator, at 703-963-6013 or jpaap@verison.net.

For continued care and support for the Salbert family please visit

<https://mealtrain.com/ngmq7d> for information about providing meals for the family and donating to a fund set up to help defray funeral expenses.

Start getting those chops

back in shape!

Our UMC Grace Brass Ensemble starts back up with rehearsals in a couple of weeks (August 25, 2016). Here's some beautiful music by Christian trumpet player, Phil Driscoll, to inspire us to get our chops back in gear!