# The Choir School

### Professional training in music, and skills for life! In three ensembles to suit your age & schedule

- \* The ensembles of The Choir School give boys and girls a special opportunity for developing the values of self-esteem, a positive attitude, respect, team spirit, discipline, and service to others. Making music at the highest level, ultimately alongside adult singers, with professional, adult expectations, is the vehicle for developing these gifts. We teach more than just music skills; our training can be an essential part of the whole formation of a child, instilling confidence for life's challenges
- \* New singers ages 4 to 15 (unchanged voices for boys) may join at any time, the sooner the better to be eligible for tours
- \* Visit us for a rehearsal, concert or service; phone or email the administrative office to arrange an informal interview
- \* No prior training or experience is expected or required
- \* Children of any religious affiliation, or no affiliation, are warmly welcomed. While our faculty and services are Episcopal and Roman Catholic, religious affiliation is not expected of students.
- \* Classes begin the week of September 12.
- \* Visit our website to learn more! thechoirschoolri.org







Founding Faculty, Teen Mentors and Clergy, from upper left: Peter S. Berton, Executive Director (Church of St. John the Evangelist); oseph Burdick; Thomas Burdick [r.; Cody Mead (St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church); Madeline Green; Stephan Griffin (Trinity Episcopal Church); Daaé Ransom; Waylon Whitley (Emmanuel Episcopal Church); The Rev. Nathan J.A. Humphrey; The Rev. Canon Anne Marie Richards: The Rev. Dr. Anita Louise Schell. Profiles at: thechoirschoolri.org



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## The Choir School of Newport County

A unique team training program for musicians ages 4 and up



#### Leadership Learning Character Service

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Several branches in a new partnership of Newport churches and community arts organizations

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Professional choristers enjoying

## Our Mission

FORMING LIVES OF CHARACTER AND SERVICE through the joy and discipline of choral music, enabled by a unified curriculum and the faculty resources of several participating institutions.

#### AFFILIATED ENSEMBLES

#### NEWPORT COMMUNITY YOUTH CHOIR

A PROGRAM OF TRINITY CHURCH Open to all students in grades 2 through 6, this group performs throughout the community in a variety of settings including Trinity's *Christmas on Historic Hill* and the annual Spring Concert. A free program.

#### PREPARATORY CHOIR: "EMMANUEL ANGEL CHOIR"

A PROGRAM OF EMMANUEL CHURCH Open to all students ages 4 to 6, building on the foundation of Emmanuel Day School (EDS) and the preschool curriculum *Music Together* Tuition \$80 / semester (reduced rate for EDS students)

#### PROFESSIONAL CHORISTERS A PROGRAM OF

THE CHURCH OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST An auditioned program for ages 7 and up; boy and girl choristers are paid a stipend for rehearsals and services, based on performance & experience (\$15-\$40 per month) Tuition \$100 / semester. Scholarships available.

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE Fall 2016

Newport Community Youth Choir (starts Sept. 14) Wednesdays at Trinity Church, 4:30 to 5:30 pm

#### Preparatory Choir (starts Sept. 15)

Thursdays at Emmanuel Church, 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Professional Choristers (starts Sept. 13) Every Tuesday & Thursday at the Church of Saint John the Evangelist Tuesdays 4:15 to 5:45 pm (includes theory class) Thursdays 5:00-7:30 pm (includes dinner provided)

- \* Boys one Sunday morning per month, girls one Sunday morning per month: 8:45 am rehearsal, 10 am service
- \* Two Sunday afternoons a month (Choral Evensong):2:30 pm rehearsal, 4 pm service (Boys and girls)
- \* Professional choristers also sing at Trinity, Emmanuel and St. Mary's churches twice per year

## Our Goals

\* Forming lives of Character and Service

\* Enriching the musical life of the greater Newport County community and participating churches through training, services and concerts. Choristers trained at The Choir School enrich their home church choir programs; concerts educate & enrich all
\* Domestic tour (St. Paul's Church K Street, and the National Cathedral, Washington, DC) Summer 2016; ages 8 and up
\* England Training Tour, working with and observing English Cathedral choirs Two weeks, Summer 2018; ages 9 and up

FEES Preparatory Choir and Professional Choristers have training materials and uniform fees, with scholarships available; apply for aid by confidential request to clergy.

PARENTS will find a network of support awaiting them, including carpooling from many locations in Newport County. Since few children can envision the enjoyment and long-term reward of a choir experience, parental initiative and involvement is critical when considering membership. The ensembles combine for training, tours, festivals with other choir programs, and concerts.

The Choir School uses the acclaimed "Voice for Life" voice and music theory training curriculum of the Royal School of Church Music in America.

## Partnering institutions are beautiful, child-safe, inspiring places.

