

# The Children's Voice

The Official Newsletter of the Central Carolina Children's Chorus Anne M. Saxon, Editor — Spring 2015

## Central Carolina

Children's Chorus (CCCC): A multileveled, communitybased choir organization for singers from 8-18 in Winston-Salem and surrounding areas. CCCC is a partner with the Music and Arts Ministries of Centenary United Methodist Church

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## Central Carolina Children's Chorus Jnvites you to our annual

Spring Concert

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Come enjoy the beautiful sounds of young voices and guest instrumentalists!

# Sunday, April 26, 2015, 3:00 pm

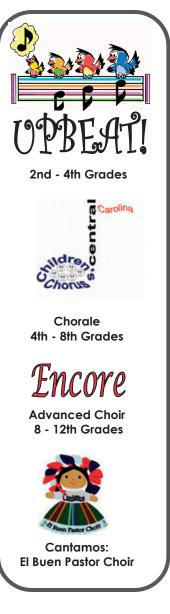
Centenary United Methodist Church

Free & Open to the Public

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## From the Artistic Director:

As I sit here at my desk reflecting upon our season thus far, and marveling at how much these singers have learned and experienced, I am overwhelmed with emotion. These young people never cease to amaze me with their work ethic, resilience, and constant joy of the sheer act of singing together. Tuesdays and Thursdays are my favorite days of the week because I have the privilege of being with our singers and experiencing our music together in fresh and exciting ways.

In a day and age when Arts and Music Programs are being reduced and sometimes eliminated altogether, CCCC somehow manages to stay afloat and sail onward. I marvel at how blessed I am, how blessed we are. and how blessed the world is because of these kids sharing their music. Not only this, they are learning skills that will last a lifetime. A college professor recently told me his school welcomes students with a music background, because they know these students possess an inner drive and discipline in setting goals and stretching the limits of their imagination. Not to mention the ability to stand in front of others and present oneself with ease and confidence.

This spring we will be singing for some local retirement communities, always a true



highlight for us. It is a beautiful experience at the end of these performances to see our kids go out into the audience eagerly to shake hands and receive many blessings from the residents. Also, be sure to check out the rest of our spring calendar on the back page. We truly hope you can attend our Spring Concert at the end of April, which promises to be fun and exciting!

And yes, your tax-deductible contributions help to make this all possible. For this we are TRULY <u>grateful</u>, as you are making the difference in the lives of children! If you have not had the opportunity to make a contribution this year, we invite you to do so using the donation card included to help us finish our season.

I can never say it enough — when one is in the presence of young singers experiencing beautiful music, it is a magical and transcendent experience. Some things are universal and withstand the test of time, worthy of our passion and hard work. *This, my friends, is one of those things.* —*Anne* 

### Central Carolina Children's Chorus

### **CCCC Alumni Invitation**

It is our joy to welcome Alumni Singers to sing the final number with us in our annual Spring Concert every year. This year's concert will be at 3:00 pm on Sunday, April 26, at Centenary UMC.

#### We would love to see you!

We invite you to continue to be in community with us as we celebrate the culmination of our 16th season. A special pew will be reserved for you in the front.

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"Italian Café" Event Highlights



CCCC attended the Piedmont Invitational Children's Choir Festival in early March with 7 other choirs from North Carolina. This year's festival was hosted by the Greensboro Youth Chorus and conducted by Paul Caldwell of the Young People's Theater Chorus in Chicago. It was held in Christ United Methodist Church in Greensboro.





#### CCCC Spring & Summer Schedule

<u>February 20:</u> Italian Café Fundraiser Event Centenary UMC Auditorium Featuring our Choirs, Opera Singers, Spaghetti Dinner, and raffle for an iPad Mini 5:30 - 7:30 pm; Tickets sold at the door.

#### March 6 - 7:

Piedmont Invitational Children's Choir Festival Hosted by the Greensboro Youth Chorus Christ United Methodist Church, Greensboro Paul Caldwell, Guest Conductor *Final Concert: Saturday, March 7, 4:00 pm* 

<u>Tuesday, March 24</u>: Salemtowne Retirement Community 1000 Salemtowne Drive, Winston-Salem, 27106 7:00 Performance in the Zaal www.salemtowne.org — Light reception following —



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The mission of the Central Carolina Children's Chorus is to provide quality music instruction to children and youth with the goal of attaining the highest level of artistic excellence in choral music performance. **Celebrating our 15th season of choral excellence!** 

Our graded choral program is comprised of singers from Kindergarten - 12th grades from Winston-Salem and surrounding areas.

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#### www.centralcarolinachildrenschorus.org

<u>Thursday, March 26:</u> UPBEAT! Sing for Brookridge Retirement Community Concert at 6:30 pm.

Thursday, April 13: Singer Auditions Open for our 2015-2016 Season! Contact Artistic Director Anne Saxon to schedule an audition.

Sunday, April 26: Annual Spring Concert, 3:00 pm CCCC Choirs and Guest Instrumentalists Including music of the British Isles Centenary UMC Sanctuary Reception following in the Auditorium Love Offering Collected—\*Doors open at 2:30

Sunday, May 3: Centenary UMC 11:00 AM Worship Service Celebrating CUMC's Music & Arts Ministries Live on WSJS AM 600 Radio *www.centenary-ws.org* 

<u>Friday, May 8:</u> Sing for UNC Greensboro School of Education Commencement Exercises Greensboro Coliseum

<u>Thursday, May 14:</u> UPBEAT! Choir Sing at Brookridge Retirement Community Concert at 6:30 pm

<u>Monday - Friday, August 10 - 14:</u> 15th Annual "Summer Sing!" Day-Camp Centenary United Methodist Church *—see ad on page 3* 

# Announcing Auditions for our 2015-2016 Season!



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UPBEAT! Training Choir for 2nd - 4th Grades Placement Hearing Required

<u>Chorale</u> Choir for 4th - 8th Grades Audition Required



Contact us or visit our website for more information and registration procedures

