2021 WELS NATIONAL CHORAL FESTIVAL
MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE | NEW ULM, MN

POPS CONCERT
Friday, November 12
7:00 pm

SACRED CONCERT
Sunday, November 14
2:00 pm

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WELCOME

When in our music God is glorified,
And adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia! (CW 248:1)

Dear Brothers and Sisters Who Share One Faith, One Hope, and One Lord,

It is with great delight that Martin Luther College welcomes you to this choral festival weekend! It is the privilege of hosting or attending gatherings just like this one with our brothers and sisters in the faith that we missed so much during the past 18 months.

That gives us an even greater reason this weekend to give thanks for the gift of being able to share with you the campus of your WELS College of Ministry! And with more than 500 men and women from our sister schools joining their voices in praise, it will often seem as though the whole creation is indeed crying “Alleluia!”

It is our prayer that your experience of this weekend proves to be a great blessing as we celebrate in music and song the common faith, hope, and Lord of which we boast.

If this is your first visit to your WELS College of Ministry, we are thankful that God has brought you here to see the school that is dedicated to providing the next generation of pastors, teachers, and staff ministers for our synod’s schools, congregations, and mission fields.

But whether this is your first time walking on MLC’s campus or your fortieth, we ask for your continued prayers for God’s blessing on the work that is done here on your behalf. Every day, in more ways than we can even imagine, God’s grace in Jesus allows us to touch the world from this campus on this small hill in southcentral Minnesota.

That’s why we are so thankful—not only for your presence with us this weekend, but for your prayers, your words of encouragement, and your support for your college. “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field” (Matthew 9:37-38).

But now . . . it’s time to enjoy the fruit of the labors of these 500+ young men and women. And so,

Let ev’ry instrument be tuned for praise;
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise,
And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia! (CW 248:5)

In Him,

Rich Gurgel
President, Martin Luther College
Master of Ceremonies: Dr. Jeff Wiechman, Martin Luther College

St. Croix Lutheran Academy *The Croixaliers*
*Sir Duke*

Fox Valley Lutheran High School *Choraliers*
*Something Just Like This*

Great Plains Lutheran High School *Honor Choir*
*Rock the Boat*

Huron Valley Lutheran High School *The Hawk Singers*
*Try*

Manitowoc Lutheran High School *The Lancer Singers*
*Singin’ the ’70s!*

Michigan Lutheran High School *The Festival Singers*
*The Bones*

Northland Lutheran High School *The Northwinds*
*A Tribute to Queen*

Arizona Lutheran Academy *A Cappella Choir*
*Rewrite the Stars*

Evergreen Lutheran High School *Festival Choir*
*Surfin’ U.S.A.*

Luther High School *The Sound Foundation*
*Dancin’ Fool*

Winnebago Lutheran Academy *The Academy Kids*
*Ring of Fire*

Wisconsin Lutheran High School *Inspiration*
*Faith*

Director: Mike Marquardt
Arranger: Kirby Shaw

Director: Daniel Vogel
Arranger: Mark Brymer

Director: Eric Martens
Arranger: Gilpin

Director: Jon Baumann
Arranger: Ryan O’Connell/Pink

Director: Joel Ungemach
Arranger: Paul Langford

Director: Shannon Eggers
Arranger: Alan Billingsley

Director: Debra Price
Arranger: Mark Brymer

Director: Joshua Severeid
Arranger: Roger Emerson

Director: Jodi Wosje
Arranger: Mark Brymer

Director: Paul Adickes
Arranger: Shaw

Director: Dale Witte
Arranger: Kerry Marsh
Luther Preparatory School *Prep Singers*
*Les Miserables*

West Lutheran High School *The Western Accents*
*Nine to Five*

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School *Echoes*
*Don’t Stop Me Now*

Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School *Eagle Choir*
*Rock This Town*

Shoreland Lutheran High School *The Chamber Choir*
*She Used to Be Mine*

Illinois Lutheran High School *Micahtam and Bella Voce*
*Lovely Day*

Nebraska Lutheran High School *The Knights of the Round Table*
*Titanium*

Lakeside Lutheran High School *Swing Choir*
*From Now On*

Divine Savior Academy *Una Voz*
*When You Believe*

Wisconsin Lutheran High School *Wisco Kids Show Choir*
*Larger Than Life*

Michigan Lutheran Seminary *Shadows*
*Walk Through Life*

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School *Chargaliers*
*Wake Me Up Before You Go Go*

Director: Randy Bode
Arranger: Ed Lojeski

Director: Jodi Rowe

Director: Jon Pasbrig
Arranger: Mark Brymer

Director: Dawn Punke
Arranger: Kirby Shaw

Director: Andrea Oppermann
Arranger: Mac Huff or Pinkzebra

Director: Josiah Willitz
Arranger: Robert T. Gibson

Director: Steven Springborn
Arranger: Don Henken

Director: James Buege
Arranger: Roger Emerson

Director: William DeMarce
Arranger: John Leavitt

Director: Lisa Uttech
Arranger: Pinkzebra

Director: Joshua Wendt
Arranger: Pinkzebra

Director: Jon Hermanson
Arranger: Kirby Shaw
The 23-member A Cappella Choir from Arizona Lutheran Academy is an auditioned group of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The A Cappella Choir serves as an ambassador of the high school by leading Sunday worship at federation congregations throughout the school year, participating in WELS choral festivals, and performing in four concerts per year. A Cappella meets for three class periods and one evening each week. Many of its members are also active in other programs such as Student Council, NHS, drama, and athletics. Mr. Severeid and the A Cappella Choir sincerely thank Professor Laabs, the clinicians, and everyone else who contributed to the preparations for this year’s festival. We’re so glad to be back together! Soli Deo Gloria!

Una Voz is a subsection of the Divine Savior Academy Choir. Students in Una Voz dedicate extra time and effort to achieve excellence in performance. We take pride in the Latin and Hispanic heritage of many of our members and the communities they live in, and strive to incorporate it into our programs and performances.
This year Evergreen is excited to send 14 students from our Concert Choir to the WELS National Choral Festival. Our students treasure this unique opportunity to meet and sing with fellow Christians from around the country. These singers will be members of Evergreen’s Festival Choir, a traveling group whose members sing for a number of congregations each year and serve as musical ambassadors around the Pacific Northwest. We would like to thank Martin Luther College for hosting this wonderful festival, and for all the hard work and countless hours that went into preparing for this weekend! We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to be at a Choral Festival once again!

Fox Valley Lutheran’s Choraliers is an auditioned show choir made up of 18 students brought together by a love for performing and a desire to use their talents to entertain others and glorify their Lord. They rehearse once a week to prepare a variety of choreographed music for Choral Fest and other performances during the school year. They have also been blessed with success at district and state WSMA music festivals. Choral Fest is always the highlight of the year, so we wish to sincerely thank MLC for hosting this wonderful weekend!
Great Plains Lutheran High School's Honor Choir is an auditioned co-curricular ensemble made up of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The choir serves as musical ambassadors, traveling to association congregations and Lutheran Elementary Schools. Additionally, they tour every other year and sing for community functions. The choir would like to thank choreographer Miss Becca Doering for her time and talents. We would also like to thank MLC and all involved in the festival organization and hosting for a great weekend! Soli Deo Gloria!

Huron Valley Lutheran High School
Westland, Michigan

Director: Jon Baumann

The Hawk Singers are HVL's traveling choir made up of students from grades 10-12 and selected by audition. The Hawk Singers travel to area WELS churches (where they conduct the entire service), visit Lutheran Elementary Schools, and perform in at least four concerts held on campus throughout the entire year. One of their favorite activities is the WELS Choral Festival, and we are so happy to be at Choral Fest again. Our thanks to all the wonderful people at MLC who have given so much of their time to host this year.
Illinois Lutheran High School’s festival choir is made up of members of the school’s co-curricular choirs, Micahtam and Bella Voce. Micahtam is a mixed choir that meets twice a week during the school day. Bella Voce is a women’s choir that meets for rehearsal on Sunday nights. These groups, comprised of freshmen through seniors, perform a wide variety of music at all of our school concerts. These groups also have the privilege to share the Word in song with WELS congregations in the area. We would like to extend a sincere thank you to Prof. Jonathan Laabs and Martin Luther College for all the work that was done in order to make this Choral Festival a successful and enjoyable experience for everyone!

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School
Jackson, Wisconsin

Director: Jon Pasbrig

The 24-voice Echoes are chosen by audition from the 80-voice Traveling Choir. As musical ambassadors for Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School, these sophomores, juniors, and seniors participate in worship services at our federation congregations, perform in our five school concerts, and represent our school at other congregational and civic activities. Echoes is a completely extra-curricular choir, rehearsing after school one or two times per week. This group has been very successful in the Wisconsin State Music Association district and state competitions as both a jazz and show choir, and Echoes also leads worship for our Praise Chapels each week throughout the school year. The Echoes would like to thank Martin Luther College and the many wonderful volunteers for hosting this WELS National Choral Festival and making this weekend a wonderful opportunity to meet fellow Christians and raise our voices together in song. What a blessing to be together at Choral Fest again!
Lakeside's Swing Choir represents Lakeside in various ways throughout the school year, performing for community and congregational events, as well as performing in concerts and WSMA competitions. Our sincere thanks to MLC for hosting this year’s WELS National Choral Fest, providing this wonderful musical/spiritual experience for our students.

Luther High School
Onalaska, Wisconsin

Director: Paul Adickes

The Sound Foundation is a group of talented young people united by their love of music and a desire to praise God in song. They maintain a busy schedule, serving as recruitment ambassadors and performing for local events. They tour to area congregations each spring, presenting special Lenten services. The group has routinely earned top marks in the Wisconsin State Music Association as a vocal jazz choir. Sound Foundation is very excited to be a part of the National Lutheran Choral Festival, and we thank Professor Laabs and everyone at Martin Luther College for their hard work and hospitality. Soli Deo Gloria!
Music plays a vital role on the campus of Luther Preparatory School. One of four choirs, the Prep Singers are chosen by audition from the 150-voice Junior-Senior Choir. The Prep Singers represent our school and our Synod’s worker-training system in churches throughout the WELS. We are so appreciative of all the individuals and groups that helped organize this event. Thanks to the MLC family for making this such an enjoyable and memorable weekend! Soli Deo Gloria!

“Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord.” (Ephesians 5:19) We are truly blessed and excited to be at MLC this weekend, raising our voices heavenward among fellow believers at the WELS National Choral Festival. We really missed the opportunity to sing together with everyone last school year! The Lancer Singers are a 22-voice extra-curricular choir chosen by audition each year from the Manitowoc Lutheran student body. The continuous focus of the Lancer Singers is to sing our Lord’s praises with the gifts and abilities that HE has blessed us with. We love to sing (especially praises to our Lord!) and continue to pursue excellence in vocal performance. The Lancer Singers would like to thank Martin Luther College (especially the Choral Festival Committee) for organizing and hosting the 2021 WELS National Choral Festival and making this weekend a wonderful opportunity to meet fellow Christians and raise our voices together in song.
The Festival Singers are Michigan Lutheran High School’s musical ambassadors, traveling to our twelve association congregations each year and participating in their worship services. The Festival Singers also perform in our three school concerts and represent our school at congregational and civic activities. The Festival Singers are chosen by audition from the Titan Concert Choir at MLHS. We would like to thank Martin Luther College and its many volunteers who assisted in making this weekend such an amazing and memorable event. Soli Deo Gloria!

Shadows is made up of juniors and seniors from within the bigger auditioned Concert Choir. These students are dedicated individuals who show a willingness to put in extra rehearsal time beyond the regular Concert Choir rehearsals. They work with the admissions department and perform secular music on campus during open houses and other events, as well as throughout the Midwest on a short tour with admissions. They are thrilled to be at MLC for the WELS National Choral Fest and are thankful for the opportunity to participate.
Minnesota Valley Lutheran's Chargaliers is an auditioned show choir made up of 24 sophomores through seniors, that is blessed to be able to perform in many ways throughout the school year. We sing a variety of music as we perform in sacred and secular concerts on campus, occasional association church services, and numerous other special events. The Chargaliers would like to thank Professor Jonathan Laabs, Mrs. Michelle Gartner, and everyone at Martin Luther College for hosting this wonderful festival. What a joy it is to share God's gift of music with our brothers and sisters in Christ!

The Knights of the Round Table are an auditioned choir of tenth through twelfth graders. The KRT are ambassadors to our association congregations, traveling to churches across the state and even as far as South Dakota, Texas, and Missouri. It’s a busy life in Camelot, as they say, since most of the singers are also three-sport athletes and involved in drama productions.
The Northwinds represent Northland Lutheran High School as they showcase their musical talents. This organization provides students the opportunity to instill the joy of music in religious and secular settings. They thank MLC for hosting this incredible festival and are thrilled to join with hundreds of voices to praise our Savior this weekend!

Director: Debra Price

Gown: Navy  Stole: White

The Rocky Mountain Lutheran Eagle Choir is a group of sophomores, juniors, and seniors dedicated to serving their Lord through song. The Eagle Choir enjoys singing at the federation of churches that support RML, chapel services, concerts, our fundraising gala, and various other events. The Eagle Choir would like to thank the faculty and staff of Martin Luther College for the countless hours of work that are needed to host this festival. We are truly blessed to join other Christians in using our voices to praise our God.

Director: Dawn Punke

Gown: Black  Stole: Gold
The Croixaliers are ambassadors of St. Croix Lutheran Academy of West St. Paul, Minnesota. They tour St. Croix Lutheran Association churches and beyond, and they perform in various sacred and secular concerts at the school. The Croixaliers are grateful to Martin Luther College for providing an enriching experience.

The Chamber Choir of Shoreland Lutheran High School is an auditioned choir of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Members are involved in a wide variety of school activities that span across the academic, athletic, and fine arts programs. The Chamber Choir sings at federation churches throughout the year, as well as a variety of other community events and school concerts. They, along with their director, wish to extend their thanks to Martin Luther College for hosting a wonderful festival. Soli Deo Gloria!
The Western Accents choir has been established to give students the opportunity to nurture their God-given abilities and to use them to praise God from whom these blessings flow. The Western Accents tour in the WLHS association and elsewhere to promote the ministry of West Lutheran, recruit students, nurture relationships, and support association churches and schools through music.

The Academy Kids are a contemporary a cappella group from Winnebago Lutheran Academy. Their mission is to be the musical ambassadors of WLA to the Fond du Lac and surrounding communities, serving community groups, churches, and grade schools with a positive message of music and singing through Christmas caroling and performance tours. AK rehearses for two hours each Monday and Wednesday night during the entire school year. They perform secular a cappella music in three WLA concerts each school year.
The WLA Traveling Choir is the auditioned sacred curricular choir of WLA. Its mission is to spread God’s Word in song throughout the 39 churches of the WLA Association and to sing for all five major concerts at WLA each year. They have been blessed to also perform five times at Carnegie Hall and once in the Lincoln Center in New York City. The goal of the WLA Traveling Choir is to prepare students for lives of musical service to their home congregations and to be ready to sing at a college choral level by the time they graduate from WLA.

Inspiration is an auditioned choir that has two distinct characteristics: Vocal Jazz Ensemble and Chamber Choir. Jazz is a broad genre, which includes jazz standards as well as contemporary compositions. Inspiration is proud of its growing instrumental membership. We wish to thank MLC and the wonderful people of New Ulm for hosting this Choral Festival.
Director: Lisa Uttech

Wisco Kids Show Choir is a co-curricular vocal group open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors which rehearses and performs a choreographed show of popular music at various events throughout the school year.
HOST CONGREGATIONS

Arizona Lutheran Academy  
*St. John Lutheran Church, St. Clair*

Divine Savior Academy  
*Zion Lutheran Church, Morgan*

Great Plains Lutheran High School  
*Trinity Lutheran Church, Belle Plaine*

Illinois Lutheran High School  
*St. Paul Lutheran Church, St. James*

Luther High School  
*Trinity Lutheran Church, Nicollet*

Luther Preparatory School  
*St. Paul Lutheran Church, New Ulm*

Michigan Lutheran High School  
*St. John Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye*

Nebraska Lutheran High School  
*Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Mankato*

Northland Lutheran High School  
*St. John Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls*

Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School  
*Zion Lutheran Church, Winthrop*

West Lutheran High School  
*Peace Lutheran Church, North Mankato*

Wisconsin Lutheran High School  
*St. John Lutheran Church, New Ulm*
Please hold all applause until the end of the concert.
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Oh, How Good It Is
Mass Choir

Oh, how good it is when the family of God
Dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love,
Are the fruit of His presence here among us.
So with one voice we’ll sing to the Lord.
And with one heart we’ll live out His Word
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come,
For He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh, how good it is, on this journey we share,
To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing of belonging.

Refrain

Oh how good it is to embrace His command, to prefer one another, forgive as He forgives.
When we live as one, we all share in the love of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.
Cantate Domino
Jubilate Choir

Cantate Domino canticum novum,
laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum.
Lætetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,
et filii Sion exultent in rege suo.

Sing to the Lord a new song.
his praise in the assembly of the saints.
Let Israel rejoice in he who made them,
and the sons of Zion rejoice in their King.

Praise His Holy Name!
Exultate Choir

Sing till the power of the Lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah!
Praise His holy name!

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I’m found,
Was blind, but now I see.

Jesus, Jesus, how I love thee!
Shout Hallelujah!
Praise His holy name!

The Lord has promised good to me;
His Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Jesus, Jesus, how I love thee!
Shout Hallelujah!
Praise His holy name!

Holy Jesus, praise His name!
Oh! Hallelujah! Praise His holy name!
Hallelujah!

Praise His name!
Praise His holy name, praise His name!
Oh, Praise His holy name!

Praise Him!
Be humble and gentle, be patient,
Bearing with one another in love.
Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit
Through the bond of peace.
There is one body and one Spirit,
Just as you were called to one hope when you were called,
One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all,
Who is over all, and through all and in all.
Be humble, be gentle, bearing with one another in love.

II. ACTS 4:12

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.

Lamentations of Jeremiah

Exultate Choir

O vos omnes,
qui transitis per viam,
attendite et videte
si est dolor,
sicut dolor meus.

Recordare Domine
intuere et respice
opprobrium nostrum.

O you people,
who pass this way,
look and see
if there exists any sorrow (agony),
like unto my sorrow.

Remember, Lord
consider and notice
our humiliation and disgrace!
**Ride On, King Jesus**  
Jubilate Choir

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, the conquerin’ king.  
Oh, ride on, King Jesus, ride on. No man can a-hinder thee.

I was but young when I begun. No man can a-hinder thee.  
But now my race is almost done. No man can a-hinder thee.

King Jesus rides a milk white horse. No man can a-hinder thee.  
The ribber of Jordan he did cross. No man can a-hinder thee.

He’s the King, Lord of all.  
No man can a-hinder thee.  
Jesus is the first and he’s the last.  
Jesus is the Lord, Lord of lords.

Jesus is the Prince, Prince of peace.  
No man can a-hinder thee.

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**Since By Man Came Death**  
(from “Messiah”)  
Laudate Choir

Since by man came death,  
By man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,  
Even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

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**Hallelujah Chorus from Christ on the Mount of Olives**  
Mass Choir

Hallelujah unto God’s almighty Son.  
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.

Man, proclaim his grace and glory,  
Hallelujah unto God’s almighty Son.  
Praise the Lord in songs of joy, in holy songs of joy.
MUSICAL OFFERING

Be Thou My Vision
MLC Wind Symphony

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III. JOHN 14:23

Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.”

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Lay Me Low
Jubilate Choir

Lay me low
Where the Lord can find me,
Where the Lord can own me,
Where the Lord can bless me.

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A Psalm of Hope
Exultate Choir

Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why art thou disquieted within me?
Hope thou in God.
My soul thirsteth for God,
For the living God.
My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God.
I waited patiently for the Lord,
He inclined unto me,
He heard my cry.
Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why art thou disquieted within me?
Hope thou in God.
Credo
Laudate Choir

I believe in God, the Father almighty.
I believe in God, the maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pilate, crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell!
On the third day, He arose.
He ascended to heaven.
From death he was set free.
Now he sits at the right hand,
And he's waiting for you and me.
He will judge all the world.
He will judge you and me.
I believe in the Holy Spirit and the Holy Catholic Church.
I believe in one baptism for the remission of sin and rebirth.
I believe in the Resurrection, and the Communion of Saints in this world.
I believe when my life is over, I'm going home just to live with my God.
I believe in the Father and in the Son and in the Holy Ghost.
I await the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
I believe in God, maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in God, the Father almighty!
I believe in God!

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord
Mass Choir

Introduction: Orchestra

Refrain: Congregation and Choir

Ephesians 4:2-6

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
Choir: There is one body, one spirit, as you were called to one hope, 
One Lord, baptism, and faith, one God and Father of all, above all, and through all, 
Who is in you all.

Refrain: Congregation and Choir

Choir: Though we be many people, diverse with various gifts, 
We are given to each other for the unity of faith, 
That we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God, in the fullness of Christ.

Refrain: Congregation and Choir

Choir: One faith, one hope, one Lord, one God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Angel Band
Mass Choir

The latest sun is sinking fast, 
My race is almost run, 
My strongest trials now are past, 
My triumph is begun.

Chorus
O come, angel band, 
Come and around me stand. 
O bear me away on your snow-white wings to my immortal home, 
Bear me away on your snow-white wings to my immortal home.

I know I’m near the holy ranks 
Of friends and kindred dear; 
I’ve brushed the dew on Jordan’s banks, 
The crossing must be near.

Chorus

I’ve almost gained my heav’nly home, 
My spirit loudly sings. 
The Holy Ones, behold, they come, 
I hear the noise of wings.

Chorus

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INSTRUMENTALISTS

Collaborative Pianists
Kathryn Carlovsky (MLC adjunct instructor)
Laura Stelljes (MLC staff)
Joshua Wendt (MLS faculty)

Organ
Craig Hirschmann (MLC professor)

Guitar
David Bauer (MLC professor)

Drumset
Zachary Scharlemann (MLC alumni)

Electric Bass
David Urness (MLC/BLC instructor)

Violin 1
Ingrid Buschkopf (WLHS)
Benji Doerr (WLHS)
Charis Glende (MLC)
Josiah Loersch (MLC)
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Rebecca Rivera (MLC)
Jared Dobberstein (MLC)
Isabel Monday (MLC)
Sabrina Seiwert (BLC)

Cello
Jarrett Mielke (MLC)
McKenzie McIntyre (MLC)
Aric Reim (MLC)

Double Bass
Noah Ungemach (MLC)
David Urness (MLC/BLC instructor)

MLC CHOIRS

Chorale
Jon Hermanson, Director

College Choir
Jonathan Laabs, Director

Women’s Choir
Jonathan Laabs, Director
Conductor: Prof. Miles Wurster

Flute
Carolyn Bauer
Elizabeth Bornschlegl
Sarah Kramer
Abbee Olsen
Hannah Ott
Emma Pufahl
Meg Stangl
Elena Thoma

Oboe
Ryan Kluba

Bassoon
Jared Dobberstein
Jessica T echlin

Clarinet
Hannah Mayer
Nicole Schumann
Hope Sulzle
Tina Wang
Bill Wang
Natalie Zirbel

Bass Clarinet
Bethany Schneekloth

Alto Saxophone
Ethan Coffee
Joseph Panning
Christopher Robbert

Tenor Saxophone
Joshua Zander

Baritone Saxophone
Matthew Fox

Trumpet
Aspen Bue
Samuel Eickhoff
Ethan Mallow
Alicia Mengel*
Luke Rogotzke
Josiah Winkel

Horn
Grant Gawrisch*
Benjamin Hillmer
Katelyn McGurk
Kara Peter

Trombone
Joshua Bannick
Noah Cook
Benjamin Foster
Leah Kuchenbecker
Justin Peter
Micah Schibbelhut
Grace Seim
Bethany Valleau

Euphonium
Brooke Flunker
Ryan Gilvin
Renee Johnson
Matthew Springer*

Tuba
Andrew Kramer
Noah Ungemach
Aaron Jobs

Percussion
James Carter
Zachary Cole
Chloe Grunewald
Emma Niebuhr
Jordan Ramirez
Robert Reinke
Jacob Schwark*

* Denotes Principal
Jon Hermanson is a 2006 graduate of Martin Luther College, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Education with a major in secondary choral/vocal music education. Jon earned his master’s degree in choral music education from VanderCook College of Music in Chicago. Currently, Jon serves as the director of choral music at Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School in New Ulm, a call he began in 2015. Jon is also serving during the fall semester as an adjunct instructor at Martin Luther College, directing the Chorale. Prior to his work at MVL, Jon served as the music director at Illinois Lutheran High School from 2011 to 2015. Before that he taught for five years at Trinity Lutheran School in Kiel, Wisconsin.

Besides his experience in the public ministry, Jon has extensive experience as a professional singer. In 2003, he sang in the final season of the GRAMMY-nominated Dale Warland Singers. From 2004 to 2006, he was a member of the newly formed group, The Singers: Minnesota Choral Artists, under the direction of Matthew Culloton. While teaching in Wisconsin, Jon sang a number of seasons with the Bel Canto Chorus of Milwaukee under the direction of Richard Hynson. He was a founding member of the WELS Chamber Chorus, Canticum Novum, and sang for seven summers at the Minnesota Beethoven Festival under the direction of Dale Warland. Jon has had multiple solo opportunities with many of these groups, as well as opportunities to solo for various projects at MLC over the past six years.
Jodi Rowe holds a Bachelor of Science in Education with an emphasis in secondary choral/vocal music education from Dr. Martin Luther College in New Ulm. She currently serves as the fine arts chair at West Lutheran High School in Plymouth, Minnesota, where she conducts the choirs and band and is the head of the drama department. Jodi has also taught 3rd and 4th grade, as well as church and school music, at Cross of Christ in Coon Rapids, Minnesota; been a professor of music for seven years at Martin Luther College, where she conducted the College Chorale and taught voice lessons and music theory classes; and has taught 2nd grade in San Jose, California, where she also directed several adult and children’s choirs.

Jodi has been a conductor of children’s choirs, adult community choirs, and church choirs. She has served as a conductor at WELS Worship Conferences and as a clinician at WELS Choral Festivals. As a professional singer, Jodi has performed with the world-renowned Dale Warland Singers and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra Chorale. She was a founding member and soprano section leader for The Singers: Minnesota Choral Artists. Jodi also sang with the Minnesota Beethoven Festival for seven summers in Winona, where she served as sectional leader.

Jodi currently lives in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, with her husband, Cameron, and their two children, Vincent and Madeline.

Adrian Smith, a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, holds degrees from Martin Luther College and Concordia University Wisconsin. He has also studied choral conducting at Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan, under Dr. Michael A. Mitchell. In August 2020, he began studies with Dr. Richard Zielinski in the Doctor of Musical Arts program as a conducting major in the church music concentration at the University of Oklahoma. His professional work experience includes service as a classroom teacher, school and church music director, and minister of music. Adrian has been a presenter and clinician at various choral, organ, and handbell workshops, regional and national WELS handbell festivals, and elementary and secondary choral festivals. He is an active member of the American Choral Directors Association and the National Association for Music Education and served on the psalmody committee for the WELS Hymnal Project. Adrian currently serves as professor of music at Martin Luther College, where he conducts the College Choir and Männerchor and teaches courses in Lutheran worship and choral conducting.
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E llen Amundson  Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School  T2
Daniel Asherton  Illinois Lutheran High School  T2
Grace Atherton  Illinois Lutheran High School  S1
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Madison Bell  Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School  A1
Samantha Benidix  Great Plains Lutheran High School  A1
Hannah Berg  Great Plains Lutheran High School  A1
Jacob Bergerstrom  West Lutheran High School  T1
C y Borchardt  Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School  T1
Alvina Boszovitz  Illinois Lutheran High School  B2
Katelyn Krajenka  Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School  A1
Joshua Kallies  West Lutheran High School  A2
Jade Johnson  St. Croix Lutheran Academy  S1
Bianca Hurst  Arizona Lutheran Academy  A1
Bryn Holmen  Manitowoc Lutheran High School  T2
Nathan Himm  Arizona Lutheran Academy  T1
Aubrey Hartzell  Arizona Lutheran Academy  A1
Emma Groth  Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School  T1
Joseph Green  Arizona Lutheran Academy  A1
Elena Grahl  Arizona Lutheran Academy  B2
Olivia Giovannetti  Manitowoc Lutheran High School  T1
Rebekah Ganshow  Arizona Lutheran Academy  T2
Sophia Enter  St. Croix Lutheran Academy  S1
Joe Engel  St. Croix Lutheran Academy  S1
Amelie Donnoll  Manitowoc Lutheran High School  T1
Dennis Druyan  West Lutheran High School  S2
Grace Dwyer  West Lutheran High School  S2
Noelle Donlan  West Lutheran High School  S2
Emma Christopherson  Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School  A1
Haylee Cowles  Great Plains Lutheran High School  S1
Jako Eubel  Great Plains Lutheran High School  S2
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Lucas Jaeger  Great Plains Lutheran High School  B1
Eliza Jahns  Illinois Lutheran High School  S2
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Eliah Jordan  Arizona Lutheran Academy  A1
Jade Johnson  Arizona Lutheran Academy  A2
Camden Jordan  Arizona Lutheran Academy  T1
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Ella Kaull  Arizona Lutheran Academy  T1
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Stephen Klemp  Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School  B1
Natalie Konig  Arizona Lutheran Academy  S2
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Sofia Lee  West Lutheran High School  A2
Maddie Leiterman  Manitowoc Lutheran High School  S1
Jenna Lindemann  Great Plains Lutheran High School  S2
Megan Lippert  Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School  S2
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Claraia Marcus  Great Plains Lutheran High School  A2
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Seth Meyer  Arizona Lutheran Academy  T2
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Gunner Minear  Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School  B2
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Evan Vallee  Arizona Lutheran Academy  A2
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Abigail Warskow  West Lutheran High School  A1
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