



Fall/Winter 2022

Dear Friend,

The year 1963... are you old enough to remember...minimum wage was \$1.25 per hour, first-class postage was a nickel, a gallon of milk was \$.49, and a gallon of gasoline was \$.30. For the members of Metropolitan Choir of Praise, it was the year that Peter VandenBosch had a vision of a choir in the West Michigan area similar to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir in Salt Lake City, Utah. The 2022-23 choir season marks 60 years of bringing a musical ministry to the Grand Rapids area. We give all praise to God for providing for this ministry for 6 decades!

Plans are in the making for singing at retirement communities and rest homes in our area as well as our Fall and Spring Concerts. Please check our website for any changes or additions to our schedule, [www.metropolitanchoir.org](http://www.metropolitanchoir.org).

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| Thursday, October 13    | 7 p.m.    | Sunset Manor  |
| Thursday, October 27    | 7 p.m.    | Raybrook Manor  |
| Friday, November 18     | 7 p.m.    | Fall Concert at Plymouth Heights CRC                                  |
| Sunday, March 19, 2023  | 10 a.m.   | Woodhaven Reformed  |
| Friday, May 5, 2023     | 7 p.m.    | 60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert-1 <sup>st</sup> Byron Center CRC |
| Thursday, May 11, 2023  | 7:15 p.m. | Freedom Village (Holland)   |
| Saturday, June 10, 2023 | 7 p.m.    | Chr. Ref. Conference Grounds (Grand Haven)                            |

For us to continue in this ministry, we need your help. We operate financially through membership dues and fundraising. This is where your help is needed. Will you be a Ministry Partner again this year? We are a non-profit organization so your gift is tax deductible. Ministry Partners who contribute will be recognized in the choir concert program this fall and next spring and on our website. Please complete the enclosed form, circle the appropriate amount, and check the box if you wish to receive a receipt. Also, let us know if you wish to remain anonymous. Please return the form with your check (made out to Metropolitan Choir of Praise) in the enclosed envelope to Ken Koll, Treasurer, 1706 Burke NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505. **The deadline for being included in the fall program is November 11.**

We are excited for a new year of music ministry If you or someone you know that miss singing in a school or church choir, come join us on Thursday evenings 7-9 p.m. at Woodhaven Ref. Church, 3959 68<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Byron Center. Please check out our website on how you can join the choir.

Thank you for your continued support in our ministry.

Serving our faithful Savior,

Marcia Bolt, Ministry Partner Coordinator

*Our mission: The purpose of the Metropolitan Choir of Praise is to use music to proclaim the Gospel according to God's Word as given to us in the Bible, and to praise, honor, and glorify the Triune God.*