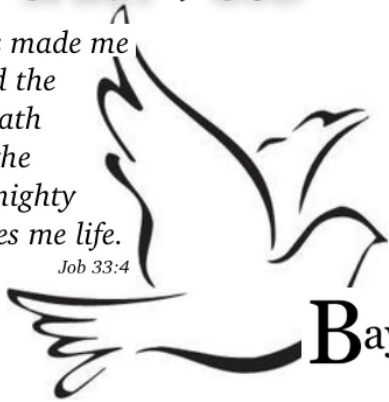


The SPIRIT of GOD

has made me
and the
breath
of the
Almighty
gives me life.

Job 33:4



Bay County Christian Youth Choir

Panama City, Florida

The Spirit of God Tour 2018

The Bay County Christian Youth Choir, Inc., a 501c3 tax exempt entity and an independent interdenominational youth choir (BCCYC), is established under the conviction that the future of congregational participation in the music of the church lies in the training and nurturing of its youth and children. The choir has the goals of teaching choir members (i) to speak and sing in public, (ii) the experience of performing locally and on choir tours, (iii) how to work together to achieve goals that can only be achieved collectively, (iv) the discipline of making a long-term commitment and the rewards of hard work, (v) how to "get along" with fellow choir members and (vi) skills that enable the choir members to be what God has called us all to be: worshipers of Him.

The BCCYC's 43 singers come from all area high schools and numerous home schools and from more than 20 different churches in Bay County representing numerous denominations. Every Monday night during the school year the 8th-12th grade choir rehearses, eats dinner and studies the Bible together and then the Youth Choir goes on Spring tour! Past tours have taken us to 25 states as well as Canada.

For more information and videos see www.baycountychristianyouthchoir.com and there are video clips (and choir tour pictures) on its Facebook page. You can also contact Nevin Zimmerman, Chairman, at (850) 819-7912 or at nevin@nevinzimmerman.com.

This year the tour includes concerts in the San Francisco Bay, CA area; Roseville, CA; Ripon, CA; Hanford, CA; Phoenix, AZ, and Panama City, FL. The Homecoming Concert on Sunday June 10, 2018 is at 6PM CST (First Baptist Church of Panama City, FL) and it will be streamed live at <http://firstbaptistpc.com/watch-us-live/>. "Like" and "follow" us on the Bay County Christian Youth Choir Facebook page as we post pictures and have live broadcasts throughout the tour.

O Rejoice Ye Christians Loudly: words by Christian Keimann (1607-1662), music by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), edited by Peter J. Wilhousky (Luke 2:10-14)

O rejoice, ye Christians, loudly,
For your joy is now begun;
Wondrous things our God hath done;
Tell abroad His goodness proudly,
Who our race hath honored thus,

That he deigns to dwell with us.
Joy, O joy beyond all gladness!
Christ hath done away with sadness!
Hence, all sorrow and repining,
For the Sun of grace is shining.

Reading 1: Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God: words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arr. by David Angerman and Stewart Harris (John 14:15-27; Romans 8:12-17)

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me.
Give me faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for Your purity.
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within.
May Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin,
In each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.

Turn my striving into works of grace.
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth;
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise.
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see.

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.

Reading 2: The Ministry of the Holy Spirit produces Fruit.

Fruit of the Spirit: words and music by Pepper Choplin (Galatians 5:22-25)

In the winter of our sin,
we stood like a barren tree,
chilled by our selfishness,
frozen by immorality.

In the winter of our sin,
we stood like a barren tree,
cold in our strife and envy,
barren in our hatred.

But all who belong to Christ Jesus
have crucified the sinfulness
and will live in the Spirit, / walk in the Spirit,
like the Spring the Spirit / will bring new life,
new flowers, and the
Spirit will flow through us

to bring good fruit. / Love and kindness,
love, the Spirit brings us love and kindness

Joy of the Lord,
rejoice in the holy joy of the Lord.

Peace, bring peace and patience,
self-control, peace and / patience to the soul,
fill the soul with holy peace,
give us peace.

Goodness and faithfulness,
give us goodness and faith.
Give us faithfulness.

From the Lord, / the Spirit will flow through us
to bring good fruit. Come spirit bring good fruit.

Reading 3: The Holy Spirit and Bible Study

God Be In My Head: words adapted from the Book of Hours Service Book (1514) and music by Andrea Ramsey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6) [Women]

God be in my head / and in my understanding.
God be my eyes / and in my looking.

God be in my mouth / and in my speaking.
God be in my heart./ God be at my end
and my beginning, / and all days in between.

Reading 4: Be Filled with the Holy Spirit

Fill-A Me Up!: Words and music by Pepper Choplin (Ephesians 5:18)

Fill a me up, come a Holy Spirit,
Fill a me up to the top a my soul,
Fill a me up, come a Holy Spirit,
Fill a me up now and take control.

1. So many things try to fill me up.
So many things try to weigh me down.

Fill a my heart now until You stay,
and chase the other things away.

2. Now my heart is an open door.
Fill a me up, come a Holy Spirit,
Fill a my heart now and let it grow,
And change my life so all will know.

Reading 5: Jesus -- "The Light of the World"

This Little Light of Mine: Spiritual arr. by Howard Helvey (Matt.5:14-16) [Men's Ensemble]

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
Everywhere I go, / I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Reading 6: The Holy Spirit Unites Believers to Christ

And Can It Be?: Text by Charles Wesley and Music by Dan Forrest (Gal. 2:20; Romans 5:8)

And can it be? And can it be?
Amazing love, how can it be?

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain
For me, who Him to death pursued?

Amazing love! How can it be?
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,

And bled for Adam's helpless race:

'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
For, O my God, it found out me!
Amazing love! How can it be?

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,

Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.
Amazing love! How can it be?
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Reading 7: The Faith of the Apostles and the Statement of the Trinity

**The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
And born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died and was buried;
The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven
And is seated at the right hand of God
the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting, Amen

We Believe: words and music by Travis Ryan, Matthew Hooper and Richie Fike; arr. by Heather Sorenson (Ephesians 2:19-22)

In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear,
There is only one foundation:
We believe, we believe.
In this broken generation,
When all is dark, You help us see.
There is only one salvation:
We believe, we believe.

Chorus: We believe in God the Father.
We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
And He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion,
We believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection,
And He's coming back again.

We believe.

So let our faith be more than anthems,
Greater than the songs we sing,
In our weakness and temptations,
We believe, we believe. Chorus

Let the lost be found, and the dead be raised;
In the here and now let love invade.
Let the church live loud!
Our God, we'll say,
"We believe! We believe!"

And the gates of hell will not prevail,
For the power of God has torn the veil.
Now we know Your love will never fail.
We believe! We believe! Chorus

Reading 8: The Holy Spirit is the Active Presence of God in the World

**Holy Spirit:* words and music by Francesca Battistelli; arr. by Dave Iula and Dan Galbraith (2 Corinthians 1:22)

There's nothing worth more
That could ever come close.
No thing can compare,
You're our living hope.
Your presence, Lord

I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves,
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone.
Your presence, Lord.

[Chorus:] Holy Spirit,
You are welcome here.
Come flood this place
and fill the atmosphere.
Your glory, God,
is what our hearts long for.
To be overcome

by Your presence, Lord.

Let us become more aware
of Your presence.
Let us experience the glory
of Your goodness. Chorus:

**Build Your Kingdom Here:* words and music by Rend Collective Experiment; arr. by Dan Galbraith and Shane Ohison (Matthew 10:7)

1. Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again.
Increase in us, we pray.
Unveil why we're made.
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls.
Holy Spirit, come invade us now.
We are Your church
We need Your power in us

Chorus: Build Your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand,
Heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build Your kingdom here we pray!

2. We seek Your kingdom first.
We hunger and we thirst.
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize.
To see the captive hearts released,
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause.
We are Your church.
We pray revive this earth

3. Unleash Your kingdom's power
Reaching the near and far.
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts.
You made us for much more than this,
Awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.
We are Your church.
We are the hope on earth. Chorus.

Reading 9: Behold Our God

Behold Our God: words and music by Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird & Stephen Altrogge; arr. by Joshua Spacht (Isaiah 25:9)

1. Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?
Refrain.

Refrain. Behold our God,
seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare;
Come let us adore Him!
2. Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His Words?

3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave;
Jesus, Savior risen now to reign! Refrain.

Men: You will reign forever!
Women: Let Your glory fill the earth! Refrain.

Closing Remarks

The Reason We Sing: words and music by Dick and Mel Tunney (Ephesians 5:19)

He has brought us together
each of us a different gift to bring
We'll serve Him forever
even if the cost is everything
He has called us to be faithful
so with one heart we give this offering.

Chorus: The reason we sing
The reason we lift our voice
is more than just making harmony.

The reason we sing
is to praise the one who gave His son
to be the reason we sing.

More than just an emotion,
His spirit gives us joy that we can't hide.
We will not be silent
We've got to let the world hear what's inside.
And as we praise Him with our music.
Jesus is the one we glorify.

*congregation recites or sings

Women: Annie Bingham, Madison Dubose, Audrey Duncan; Rebecca Duncan; Mara Durham; Jennifer Grant; Brooke Herman; Taylor Houston; Elena Hutchison; AudreyGail Johnson; Ada King^[a]; Leah Neuman; Anastasia Neilsen; Rosie Red; Saber Paustian; Kaeli Rits; Allie Rittman; Becca Starke; Alison Strunk^[a];

Men: Christian Bailey; Chance Baker; Ian Bingham; Jacob Bingham; Alex Chistodoulou; Will Dolan; Christopher Durham; Jacob Hall^[a]; Hayden Hanneberg; David Holmes; Samuel Houston; Malachi McInvale; Levi McLaughlin; Harold Millsap; Stephen Nagy; Jacob Parauka; Evan Patterson; Stephen Prepelka; Isaac Rits; Garrett Rittman; David Skerratt; Donald Skerratt; Joshua Starke; Christian Zechman

^[a]pianists

Jody Schnell is the Director for the choir, and she has a performance degree in voice from the University of Oklahoma and an M.A. in Music and Worship Leadership from The Baptist College of Florida. Jody has many years of experience directing choirs in the community. Jody has directed the Pro Arte Chorale of Northwest Florida and the Sanctuary Choir at First Presbyterian Church in Panama City, and presently serves as the choral director at Mosley High School, Florida State University-PC Campus and The Baptist College of Florida.

Nevin & Gigi Zimmerman have been involved in directing and planning for traveling Christian youth choirs for twenty-six years, and they consider it a privilege to serve as the Chairman of the Board for the Bay County Christian Youth Choir, Inc. and as the Tour Planner and hostess for the choir. Nevin is an attorney that has a passion to teach young people about the worship of God, and Gigi is the master organizer of the house (and the choir!), and together they had the privilege of raising their four daughters, all of which went through the youth choir experience with their parents.

BCCYC would like to thank its 2018 Chaperones: David & Janna Camperman, Katie Hamrick, Jody Schnell and Nevin Zimmerman. A special thank you to Gigi Zimmerman who planned the tour and is spending time during the tour with her grandchildren and new grandson in Baltimore! Also a thank you to our numerous church, community and individual donors, without whose financial and prayer support this ministry would not be possible.