

Date: October 2, 2011  
To: Christmas Magic Music Personnel

**Thank you**

Thank you all for accepting the invitation to participate in Christmas Magic!  
At the request of several young moms who twenty years ago sang and danced the magic, this beloved program is being renewed.

**The Essence of Christmas Magic**

There are Christmas programs galore – Why do we need another one? Julie Kidman, who has been the heart and soul of this program through the years, shares her vision of Christmas Magic:

*I can't wait!  
Santa!  
I can sing!  
Christ is born!  
Love fills my heart.  
Joy*

Some programs do *Santa!* Some do *Christ is born!* – but Julie noted that too few do it all. Julie and her original crew set out to create an experience for our children that would fill their hearts with all of the above. Our goal was to create a setting where the spirit of the Lord would be present. As a community program we are sensitive to families of all faiths and persuasions, but we know that whether secular or sacred – the music chosen for Christmas Magic must communicate truth and purity, the decorations glow with Christmas warmth and love, and the pictures bear witness of Him whose birth we celebrate and His teachings.

**Organization**

Mandy Powell, Chair of Christmas Magic, has asked us to organize in a way that will 1) enable those who participated in early programs to share their insights with new folks, and 2) spread stewardship and thus enable growth in many. I know you all will bring ideas, faith, and energy to the program that will enhance it in ways that no one else could do.

Please look over the attached 1) rehearsal schedule/directory and 2) information flier. We'll start Monday, October 10! I hope you feel free to organize among yourselves, adapting my suggested schedule as you see fit.

Mendon has grown, and music organizations that teach children are thriving here. I have asked them to participate in the program; please let me know if I have overlooked anyone.

Children with upper voices from the Mendon area are all invited to participate, as well as family members of area residents who might live in other towns, so long as they can attend practices.

Sincerely,

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**Christmas Magic 2011 Music Personnel Directory & Rehearsal Schedule**

**Youth Choir**

Director – Glynn Scholle 754-7225  
 Director – Robert Christensen  
 Accompanist - Paula Watkins 752-9506  
 Accompanist – Tammy Trickler 563-0248

**Children's Choir**

Director – Barbara Bird 435-760-3572  
 Director – Jeri Cheney 753-9394; 760-2110  
 Director - Jill Pack 753-9059  
 Accompanist – Valerie Larsen 753-3326  
 Accompanist - Sharalen Benson 755-5724

**Sectional and Instrumental Rehearsals**

Director – Rebecca Smith 752-1103

**Instrumental**

Student Accompaniment – Karina Wooden 752-8225  
 String Prelude & Accompaniment – Laura Morgan 755-0251

**Choreography**

Dawna Campbell – Bits of Gold & Un flambeau 792-3479  
 Stephanie Watkins – Angels We Have Heard on High 755-8176  
 Nyree Bevan – Angels We Have Heard on High 752-1899  
 Michael Petersen – Sign., Sleep Well Little Children 752-7638  
 Paula Watkins – CC exit, Sleep Well Little Children  
 Jeri Cheney & Jill Pack – CC entry

**Rehearsal Schedule** (Children's Choir – CC; Youth Choir YC; Sectionals & Instrumental – S/I)

Every Monday & Friday until performance on Dec 19 - No practices on Oct 24, Oct 31, and Nov 25 + Oct 28

Day	Gym	Music Room	Instrument Room
Monday 3:25	CC Directors & Valerie Entry-Jeri & Jill; Sleep Well-Michael, Paula	YC Glynn, Robert Tammy or Paula	S/I Rebekah & Tammy or Paula; others as scheduled
Friday 2:10	YC Glynn & Paula Processional, bells-Paula	CC Directors & Sheralen	S/I Rebekah & Valerie

Note to choir directors: Please divide up the songs among directors &/or accompanists for performance.

Songs	Director	Accompanist	Instrumental
<b>Children's Choir</b>			
1. Santa Claus Is Coming to Town			
2. Jingle Bells			
3. Here Comes Santa Claus or Frosty the Snowman			
Up on the Housetop			
Happy Birthday Jesus		Sharalen	
The Friendly Beasts		Sharalen	
Angels We Have Heard on High		Valerie	
<b>Youth Choir</b>			
Angel Carol	Glynn & Robert		
#1 High Above the City	"	Paula	
#2 I'm Going to Egypt	"		
#3 For People	"		
#4 But it is Winter	"		
#5 Now I Am Weeping	"		
#6 I'll Stay	"		
#7 Bits of Gold	"	Paula	Isaac Anawalt xylophone
#8 For People, Reprise	"		
#9 Dear Me	"	Paula	Isaac, snare
#10 The Most Precious Things	"	Paula	
<b>Dance</b>			
CC- Entry – Perpetuum Mobile	Jeri	Jill	
Dance Class: Angels We Have Heard on High	Nyree	Steph	
CC -Sleep Well Little Children	Paula	Michael	Steph
YC - Angel Carol Processional	Paula	Valerie	Rebekah
Solo - Bits of Gold Dance Interlude	Dawna		
Solo - Un flambeau Jeannette Isabelle	Dawna		