

## Press Release

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Notre Dame Children's Choir accepting new singers  
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### **For Immediate Release**

Notre Dame Children's Choir accepting new singers for the 2024-25 season!

Children ages 5 through 17 are invited to register for this exemplary after-school music education program at no cost to families. All children, regardless of ability or experience, racial or religious background, are encouraged to join our choirs. Choristers learn how to express themselves through choral singing, create friendships in a safe and fun environment, strengthen their faith through sacred choral music, build community with kind and caring people, and develop confidence and musical and leadership skills.

Led by Mark Doerries, Artistic Director, and graduate students of Sacred Music at Notre Dame, the choirs rehearse on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week at Sunnyside Presbyterian Church in South Bend from 4:15-5:45 pm beginning September 5, 2024. Space is limited and children ages 9+ are asked to audition for placement.

All choirs perform several times during the year, including the Fall Harvest Concert at South Bend Farmers Market, Lessons and Carols at Holy Cross College Chapel, and the NDCC Community Festival concert in the spring. Our Liturgical Choir, which meets on Mondays (audition required) sings regularly for liturgies at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto at Saint Mary's and at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at Notre Dame. Our middle school and high school choirs will also perform this year with the South Bend Symphony Orchestra, in Haydn's The Creation with Sacred Music at Notre Dame, The Lord of the Rings with the South Bend Youth Symphony Orchestra, culminating in a local, and then an international tour to Canada!

The Notre Dame Children's Choir serves over a hundred children in the South Bend region and is proud to celebrate its twelfth season bringing high-quality sacred choral music education to our area. If you are interested in supporting our program, please contact Susanna Villano at [skimvill@nd.edu](mailto:skimvill@nd.edu). More information about our program may be found on our website [sma.nd.edu](http://sma.nd.edu). To register for NDCC, parents must create an account by visiting our Store at [NotreDameCC.choirgenius.com](http://NotreDameCC.choirgenius.com). We will contact you to set an appointment or add you to our rosters as spaces are available. Questions? Email us at [NDCChoir@nd.edu](mailto:NDCChoir@nd.edu) or call 574-631-3384.

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