



Sacred Music at the Red Door

What: Advent Procession of Lessons and Carols

When: Sunday, December 14, 5:00pm

Where: St. John's Episcopal Church, 679 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford

Who: The St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs; Scott Lamlein, organist/choirmaster

Cost: Free with a Suggested Donation of \$20

On Sunday, Dec. 14, 2014, Sacred Music at the Red Door hosts the annual Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols at 5 p.m., featuring the youth and adult choirs, at St. John's Episcopal Church in West Hartford. Admission is free, but there is a suggested donation of \$20.

A beautiful respite from the stresses of December, the St. John's adult and youth choirs present the Advent message of anticipation and grace through meditative anthems, poignant readings, and carols sung by the gathered congregation – all in the grand English style. Join us as the St. John's choirs proceed literally and symbolically from darkness into light.

Music by the youth and adult choirs of St. John's Church, Organist and Choirmaster Scott Lamlein, and guest organist Floyd Higgins will include great choral music in the Anglican tradition by Rorem, Tavener, Howells, Victoria, and Chadney, and Advent carols for the congregation and choir. Readers include Hartford Symphony Orchestra Music Director Carolyn Kuan, Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, Liberty Bank President Chandler Howard, and other distinguished members of the Greater Hartford community.

St. John's Episcopal Church is located at 679 Farmington Ave., near Prospect Street, in West Hartford. The church is wheelchair accessible and has ample free parking. The St. John's choir is well known in the Greater Hartford area as an intergenerational choir in the Royal School of Church Music tradition, where auditioned young singers ages 8 through 17 sing alongside professional adults in a very high level of musical quality. The result is a sound of wide dynamic range and beautiful expression. The St. John's choir has performed extensively in greater Hartford and has sung at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York and at the Washington National Cathedral.

Sacred Music at the Red Door, St. John's Episcopal Church's gift to the community of West Hartford, presents this second in a series of five concerts for the 2014-15 season. The series has helped to establish St. John's as a destination for those seeking musical refreshment and excellence, drawing on the existing strengths of our choirs and guest artists, architecture, organ, location, and Anglican heritage. For more information about this and other upcoming concerts, please visit www.reddoormusic.org, call 860-523-5201, or e-mail music@sjparish.net.

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The Saint John's Youth Choir in Performance



The combined Adult and Youth Choirs in Rehearsal