

Music Ministry Annual Report

The year 2009 has been an exciting and busy time for Music Ministry with the arrival of our new rector, The Rev. Edward Harrison and his wife Teresa. His installation service was filled with the spirit of dignity, reverence, hope and joy for the future of Christ Church and our Music Ministry teams. It has been a blessed year working with Edward in ministry and planning our worship services!

We are blessed with a growing adult choir that now has 25 members who faithfully rehearse on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings in preparation to lead in worship and liturgy. Thanks to your generous donations and two private donors, we are wearing our new robes and cottas! We are also blessed with a 25-voice children's Jubilate Choir directed by Pat Robell. My prayer and vision is to have a youth choir within the new year!

Summer brought an exciting change from the rest of the year by honoring your request of hymns. We also enjoyed very gifted and talented young musicians sharing their "God-given" musical abilities in lifting our hearts and minds up in prayer and praise through the gift of music. A huge thanks to Chase Morrin, Valerie and Dominique Kim, Engedi, and Matt Heinecke and his young Jazz musicians from CoSA. A small summer volunteer choir was formed to assist in worship and to give the choir a well deserved break.

We have also been honored and blessed to participate and lead in worship and liturgy in our second ordination of a priest! Ken Simon was ordained as a priest in December and became very dear to us in his short time with us. It is truly a blessing to be a part of the spiritual journey that we are all on as the "family of God".

I would like to thank each and every one of our Music Ministry members for their support and for sharing their time and talents. Also, my thanks go out to those of you who support Music Ministry with special monetary gifts. We appreciate and love you for your donations. If you choose to continue to do so or wish to begin doing so, please designate Music Ministry on your donation.

Music Ministry always has its doors open wide for anyone who may want to join us. If you feel led and called by the "spirit of God", please leave me a message at the church office or talk to me after a Sunday morning service. I continue in fervent prayer and passion to serve the Lord by providing strong leadership in worship and liturgy through the beautiful gift of music God has given us. I also thank Him for sending us talented and spiritual musicians who love serving Him at our church!