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**CHESAPEAKE CHORALE
& CHAMBER SINGERS**

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Subscription Concert 1

THE CHESAPEAKE CHORALE

Laud to the Nativity

Open your holiday season with the Chesapeake Chorale in a performance of the charming *Laud to the Nativity* by Ottorino Respighi, a rarely performed Christmastide gem. With elegant vocal lines and music reminiscent of shepherds' pipes, Respighi retells the story of the nativity, based on St. Luke's account of an angel who appears to simple shepherds with good news, the birth of the Christ Child.

Featuring guest soloists

Hilary Dean, soprano

Leneida Crawford, mezzo soprano

Jorge D. Alzadon, tenor

The Chorale's popular concert will, as always, feature both traditional carols and new works for the holidays. These include Cary Ratcliff's arrangement of *Angels We Have Heard On High* and the spirited *Neighbors, On This Frosty Tide*, inspired by the Kenneth Grahame children's classic, *The Wind in the Willows*.

The Chorale's holiday concert, an annual Bowie tradition, will usher in the season in memorable fashion!

Saturday, December 10, 2011 at 8:00 pm

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

14900 Annapolis Road

Bowie, Maryland 20715

Subscription Concert 2

THE CHESAPEAKE CHORALE

A Chesapeake Cabaret

*Come on Babe, why don't we paint the town
—and all that jazz!*

The Chorale brings back its very popular Chorale Cabaret in February. Join the Chorale in Dodds Hall at Christian Community Presbyterian Church for music from Broadway, including a choral medley from *Chicago*.

Chorale members will also be performing some of your favorite selections from the stage in solos and small ensembles. The evening soiree is topped off with dessert and coffee.

*What good is sitting alone in your room?
Come hear the music play!
Life is a cabaret old chum—come to the Cabaret!*

Saturday, February 25, 2012, 8:00 pm
Christian Community Presbyterian Church
Dodds Hall
3120 Belair Drive
Bowie, MD 20715

Subscription Concert 3

THE CHESAPEAKE CHORALE CHAMBER SINGERS

Amazing Grace

The Chamber Singers will celebrate the Chorale's *Joy of Singing* in the early spring with a quintessentially American program of favorite hymns and spirituals.

Let yourself be surrounded by these familiar melodies in both traditional and innovative arrangements. Offerings include *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*, *Ride the Chariot*, and the most beloved of all English-language hymns, *Amazing Grace*.

The Chamber Singers will also present two works arranged by Mack Wilberg, Music Director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* and *I Need Thee Every Hour*.

Saturday, April 14, 2012, 8:00 pm
Christian Community Presbyterian Church
3120 Belair Drive
Bowie, Maryland 20715

Subscription Concert 4

THE CHESAPEAKE CHORALE

SUSAN RICCI ROGEL & JANNA RYON, PIANO

Brahms ~ *Ein deutsches Requiem*

One of the most beloved choral works of all time, *Ein deutsches Requiem* (A German Requiem) by Johannes Brahms is the culmination of the Chorale's 31st season. The piece will be performed in a special arrangement by the composer for Chorus, Soloists and Piano Four-Hands.

Featuring Guest Soloists

Lisa Eden, soprano

Michael Nansel, baritone

Steeped in the Protestant tradition, Brahms turned to Martin Luther's translation of the Bible for his text, and *Ein deutsches Requiem* stands apart from the traditional Roman Catholic mass. Absent are depictions of judgment and eternal damnation; rather, Brahms' interpretation is a spirit-filled work offering consolation for those left behind. Brahms had begun thinking about a memorial work soon after the death of his friend, Robert Schumann. Upon the death of his mother, he began in earnest on the *Requiem*. In working through his personal grief, Brahms called on the theology of his Protestant upbringing to create a work of great depth and reassuring comfort .

Saturday, May 12, 2012, 8:00 pm
Bowie Center for the Performing Arts
15200 Annapolis Road
Bowie, Maryland 20715

Ticket Order Form

December 10

Adult _____ @ \$15 = _____
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February 25:

Adult _____ @ \$15 = _____
Senior/Student/Military _____ @ \$12 = _____

April 14:

Adult _____ @ \$15 = _____
Senior/Student/Military _____ @ \$12 = _____

May 12:

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**The Chesapeake Chorale
P.O. Box 1037
Bowie, MD 20718-1037**

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Concert Ticket Information

Four-concert season subscription series includes:

Chesapeake Chorale concerts on Dec. 10, Feb. 25 & May 12

Chamber Singers concert on Apr. 14

Special 4-Concert Subscription Series:

Adult \$45.00, Senior/Student/Military \$36.00

Single Concert Prices:

Adult \$15.00, Senior/Student/Military \$12.00

Senior admission is reserved for patrons 60 and over. Military discount is extended to active duty and retired military personnel.

Online tickets at www.chesapeakechorale.org
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