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“Youth Chorus to Perform Annual Fall Concert”

The Quincy Area Youth Chorus will perform their Annual Fall Concert Sunday, November 1st at 3:00 PM in the sanctuary of Trinity United Church of Christ, 2020 South 24th Street.

The Kinderchor, under the direction of Amy Stollberg and accompanied by Laura Kammerer, will perform seven selections.

"The students are excited about the opportunity to perform in four different languages on this concert", says Stollberg.

The first piece, in Swahili, is *Tuimbe* by David Aggoner, and translates as "Let us sing!". *Will You Teach Me?* by Victor C. Johnson follows. Composer Jay Althouse has written *Kyrie Eleison*, Latin for "Lord have mercy", for two-part voices and piano. *The Arrow and the Song*, words by famous poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, was set to music by Lon S. Beery. The last three pieces are a rousing arrangement of *The Battle of Jericho* by David Dickau, *Tres canciones de los elementos* (Spanish for "Three Songs about the Elements") by Johnson and *Dancin' on the Rooftop* by Teresa Jennings.

"I love for the singers to perform songs with wonderful lyrics. They are learning super music along with great classic literature", says Stollberg.

The Concert Choir, directed by Paul Shelor and accompanied by Mary Shelor, will feature a performance of Mozart's *Agnus Dei* from his *Mass in C*. Songs from Quebec Canada, Ghana, America, as well as a piece featuring a host of percussion instruments are among the others to be performed.

A free will donation will be collected. Children ages 18 and under and Quincy Symphony season ticket holders will be admitted free of charge. There will be a reception following the performance in the fellowship hall.

Founded in 1995, the QAYC offers quality vocal training and heightened appreciation of choral music to children in 3rd through 12th grades. An educational outreach of the Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association, QAYC seeks to supplement school and church choral training with focused preparation and performance of excellent treble chorus literature, including both secular and sacred music, appropriate for both girls and boys with unchanged voices. Children are selected by audition, and perform two concerts each year, in addition to other performances. The next audition will be held in December.

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