

November 2021

Dear Friends,

Now, more than ever, we need to hear the story. We need to know we are not alone. We need to hear and remember that God calls and uplifts the lowliest and continuously brings forth life and love... we need Christmas music!

We are excited to share with you that the Concord Concert Series Christmas Gala returns on December 19, 7:00pm!

Because singing in proximity to others poses unique challenges, we have had to make some modifications to this beloved community event. Our choir and instrumental ensembles are more modest, and **all participants and audience members must be vaccinated and masked.** These modifications will allow us to enjoy the music and message responsibly and with confidence.

We never sell tickets; admission is free, but seating is limited! (We will take an offering.)

We'll still feature selections from Handel's *Messiah*, gorgeous arrangements of carols and traditional favorites, choir, professional soloists and chamber orchestra, special guest artists, and, as always, a few surprises.

So share with friends, neighbors, colleagues; post the flier, spread the word:

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae... Et exaltavit humilis... He hath regarded my lowliness... and exalted the meek...

- from the Canticle of Mary, Luke I

Come and be reminded that – like Mary – we are all chosen, loved, and uplifted!

Peace.

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