

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Suzuki Group Recital**, December 16, 2023 at 2:00 PM  
Edgumbe Presbyterian Church, 2149 Edgumbe Road, St. Paul

Livestream details are available through our website: [www.thespcm.org](http://www.thespcm.org)



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Coffee Concerts  
2023-2024

# The Gregorian Singers SPCM Brass Quintet

Wednesday, December 13, 2023  
12 Noon

St. James Lutheran Church  
460 Annapolis Street West  
West Saint Paul, MN

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## **ABOUT THE PERFORMERS**

Monte Mason is the artistic director of **The Gregorian Singers**, a position he has held since he founded it fifty-one years ago. Primarily an early music ensemble, the choir has performed chant, masses, motets, madrigals, and anthems, as well as Scandinavian music, including cow calls, as well as 20th and 21st c. music. Mason is also a composer, church musician, composer, and teacher. His activities with the St. Paul Conservatory of Music include that of piano teacher, and director of Note Heads, a choir of older childrens' voices.

### ***The Gregorian Singers***

***Kathryn Eakright, James Hevel, Sean Lundquist, Mary Larew, Mary Mason, Jessi McKinnon, Andrew Mogendorff, Doug Muller, Mark Neple, Clara Elisabeth Sanders, Paul Stever***

The **SPCM Brass Quintet**, founded in 2023, is committed to delivering exceptional and innovative music that advances the appreciation and understanding of brass chamber music through education and performance. Our commitment to excellence is reflected in our performances, outreach programs, and educational initiatives. Members include:

***Amy Schendel & Graham Taylor, trumpets***  
***Allyson Partin, french horn***  
***Lauren Husting, trombone***  
***Jason Tanksley, tuba***

***Happy Holidays!***

Der Zacharias ganz verstumbt (*Zachariah no longer spoke*) Johann Eccard  
Übers Gebirg Maria geht (*Mary went over the mountain*) (1533-1611)

### ***The Gregorian Singers and SPCM Brass Quintet***

Wexford Carol Irish  
Sing we now of Christmas French  
Balulalow-O my deir heart Scottish, arr. Elizabeth Poston  
(1905-1987)  
Fum, fum, fum Catalonian  
Francis Kindlemarsh's Carol Orlando Gibbons  
(1583 - 1625)  
Bereden väg för Herran Swedish, arr. Anders Bond  
*Prepare ye the way of the Lord* (1888-1980)

### ***The Gregorian Singers, Monte Mason, conductor***

Nutcracker Suite P. Tchaikovsky, arr. Chuck Seipp  
March, Sugar Plum, Trepak  
God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen arr. Henderson

### ***SPCM Brass Quintet***

Maria walks amid the thorn Monte Mason  
Sweet was the song the Virgin sang (b.1949)

### ***Mary Larew, soprano and Monte Mason, organ***

O Come, O Come Emmanuel Traditional, arr. Paul Edwards  
The Coventry Carol Text by Robert Croo, arr. Ken Saul  
The Christmas Waltz Sammy Cahn and Jule Styne, arr. Paul Chauvin  
Christmastime is Here Vince Guaraldi, arr. Graham Taylor  
Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Johnny Marks, arr. Mark MacKinnon

### ***SPCM Brass Quintet***

### ***Sing Along***

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)  
Here We Come A-Wassailing English

***Thank you to St. James Lutheran for the use of your beautiful sanctuary!***

## Hark! the herald angels sing - Felix Mendelssohn

Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the new-born King!  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!  
Joyful all ye nations rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with the angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

*Refrain*

*Hark! the herald angels sing  
glory to the new-born King!*

Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of the Virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;  
hail the incarnate Deity.  
Pleased as man with us to dwell;  
Jesus, our Emmanuel!

*Refrain*

Mild he lays in glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
Risen with healing in his wings,  
light and life to all he brings,  
hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

*Refrain*

## Here we come a wassailing - English Wassail Song

Here we come a-wassailing  
Among the leaves so green;  
Here we come a-wand'ring  
So fair to be seen.

*Refrain*

*Love and joy come to you,  
And to you your wassail too,  
And God bless you and send you a happy New Year,  
And God send you a happy New Year.*

We are not daily beggars  
That beg from door to door,  
But we are neighbors' children  
Whom you have seen before.

*Refrain*

Good master and mistress,  
As you sit by the fire,  
Pray think of us poor children,  
Who wander in the mire.

*Refrain*

God bless the master of this house,  
Likewise the mistress, too,  
And all the little children,  
That round the table go.

*Refrain*