



25TH MORAVIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

July 23-29, 2017

Home Moravian Church and Salem College
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

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Dear Friends of Music,

Every four years, the Moravian Music Foundation sponsors a week-long music festival to celebrate Moravian music, explore the history of Moravian music, and encourage new avenues and directions in music. Next summer, July 23-29, the 25th Moravian Music Festival will be in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, for the first time since 2003! We invite you to come and be a part of this exciting week of musical growth, spiritual nourishment, and joy-filled fellowship, in this historic and beautiful location.

The week is for musicians of all levels, from beginner to accomplished director, and features more than "just" Moravian music. You'll experience a wide range of repertoire, from sacred band chorales, contemporary songs, to concert anthems with orchestra. Our children and youth will enjoy all types of songs and anthems, and our brass and woodwind players will learn secular jazz and contemporary arrangements for wind ensemble. (Of course, there will be plenty of music by Moravian composers, including several newly-edited works in first modern performances, and some newly-composed ones as well!)

Young adults will have special activities all their own, and children (completing kindergarten through grade 6) will enjoy music and other fun activities. Youth will get to know others their own age from all over, enjoying fellowship time of their own.

Everyone can choose to play in the concert band or sing in the Festival choir, and in addition, you may play in a handbell group, learn other instrumental chamber music, play in the trombone choir, or participate in anthem reading sessions. Each day is filled with workshops and rehearsals, with special moments for worship and reflection.

There will be wonderful programs every evening, including the Festival lovefeast, an "elegant evening" of chamber music featuring the Festival soloists and chamber players, a concert by the Salem Band, an anthem sing, and concerts by the Festival Concert Band and Festival Chorus and Orchestra.

The enclosed brochure introduces the Festival leaders and workshop topics, and gives more information about registration. Also enclosed are registration forms for adults, youth, and children; a scholarship application; and a travel subsidy application for those from the Western and Canadian Districts. You may also find much more information online at www.MoravianMusicFestival.org, and you may even submit your registration online as well!

Please come and join us in Winston-Salem next July! We look forward to sharing the 25th Moravian Music Festival experience with you!

Musically yours,

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