

The Music Ministry of Grace Church presents:

CHOIR BOOT CAMP

11, 12, 16, 17 August 2021

Evening sessions

6:30-8:30 PM



Grace Episcopal Church
120 East First Street
Hinsdale, IL 60521

✚ ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Choir Boot Camp is a focused and fun program to recover and re-ground a singer's sense of basic singing technique, from the choral perspective. Most of us have not sung in choirs during the coronavirus pandemic. So this is an ideal opportunity to "re-awaken" our bodies to the singing activity we love so dearly. In addition, it's a great time to come out of summer vacation mode to gear up for a new season of choral singing!

Choir Boot Camp is for adults (ages 16 +) to focus on the elements of singing—from the choral perspective. These sessions are not group voice lessons, per se. They are sessions in which participants gather to resume the practice and art of choral singing we've not been able to safely do with fellow choral singers.

Core activities of each evening will utilize an array of vocalizing, singing, and body movement to re-energize our minds and bodies to the many tasks which occur as we sing. This is a significant chance to begin building back one's voice.

Each session will focus on these basic components of singing:

- + Breathing
- + Resonators (mouth, nose, throat, etc.)
- + Listening/Hearing

Please be aware that session activities involve standing and sitting for periods of time, as

well as stretching, coupled with breathing exercises.

✚ SCHEDULE

This schedule applies to all sessions: Wednesday 11, Thursday 12, Monday 16, Tuesday 17 August.

6:00-6:30	Check-in/registration
6:30-6:40	Introductions and announcements
6:40-7:30	Program
7:30-7:40	Break (Bathroom, refreshment)
7:40-8:20	Program
8:20-8:30	Concluding activity
8:30-8:45	Optional social time

✚ GUEST CLINICIAN



We welcome guest clinician **Dr. Charles P. Brown** for the 2021 Choir Boot Camp. Dr. Brown is professor of music and director of choral activities at Concordia University

Chicago (River Forest) where he conducts The Kapelle and Männerchor (men's choir).

Specializing in topics of the male changing voice, conducting, and vocal techniques, Dr. Brown has presented many workshops at professional conferences with the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), the American Guild of Organists (AGO), the Lutheran Choir of Chicago, the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (ALCM), and

