**FALL 2024**

**FALL CONCERT**

**AND GIFT OF CHRISTMAS**

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**AUDITION INFORMATION**

Fall 2024 Auditions

Fall Concert (2nd- 6th grade)

Gift of Christmas (2nd- 6th grade)

**AMP’D UP Worship Team (4th- 6th grade)**

#### We are glad you are going to audition for a specialty part in the Fall Concert, GOC or AMP’d UP Praise Team (4-6)! If you would like to take part in any of these opportunities, you MUST be a registered member in Prestonwood Kids’ Worship.

**Auditions are for 2nd – 6th graders. 1st graders will sign up for GOC at a later date. You are only eligible** **to be cast in the areas in which you audition.** You may audition in as many areas as you would like. That means… audition for everything so you are eligible for everything! **Singing, speaking, AND dance!**

All specialty parts will require extra rehearsals outside of Wednesday nights. Please be prepared for the higher level of commitment that is involved.

Fall Audition Opportunities

**Fall Concert**: I would love to give everyone a specialty part in our fall concert, but opportunities are limited in the fall semester. You will NOT be guaranteed a specialty part in the fall concert. However, you should still audition! The more you audition, the more comfortable you will be. You will get better and better every time. There are quite a few solos, speaking parts, and large dance groups, but not enough for each auditioned child to receive a part in the fall.

**GOC**: **If you want a specialty part (like a dance group) in GOC,** **you MUST do choreography!!!!!!** You **ARE** GUARANTEED a part in GOC if you do the choreography audition. If you are only interested in general choir for GOC, you do not need to audition. You are automatically eligible for general choir in GOC by being a member of Wednesday night Kids’ Choir.

(Our **1st graders** will be emailed about GOC participation sign-ups later in the semester. They do **not** need to audition in the fall.)

**AMP’d UP Praise Team**: This is our specialty singing group comprised of **4th – 6th graders**. **You MUST do the singing audition if you want to be considered for AMP’d UP Praise Team**. This group is used as our on-stage praise team, recording group and other various opportunities. I consider this to be my core group of musical leaders setting an example for the rest of our Kids’ Choir. Therefore, I am looking for integrity and leadership in addition to talent.

Please note that you may be cast in praise team and not be in the recording group. We have to be very selective with our recording group this year.

Audition Expectations

**Singing**

## The solo must be memorized when you arrive to audition. Any child in 2nd - 6th grade may sign up for auditions. We try to give 4th- 6th graders first priority since these are their last years to participate. 1st graders do not need to audition in the fall.

**The auditions will be held in the Children’s Music Office.** This is on the first floor, behind the Worship Center at the back of the church between the two entrances for the Adult Choir Room.

The songs listed below are what you can **choose** from to perform for your audition. Regardless of what solo you audition for, you are automatically eligible for any solo during the semester. The practice track and sheet music are available on our website. You will need to memorize the underlined portion of the sheet music.

Website: https://prestonwoodplanoworship.org/kids/

Choose **one** of the following solos from **one** of the songs below. Please memorize the underlined portion of the sheet music.

Please note that you may be cast in praise team and not be in the recording group. We have to be very selective with our recording group this year.

**“Worship You There”: Verse 1 & Chorus**

**“Whatever It Takes”: Verse 1 & Chorus**

**“In The Room”: Verse 1 & Chorus**

**Speaking**

## The speaking parts must be memorized when you arrive to audition. Any child in 2nd - 6th grade may sign up for auditions. We try to give 4th- 6th graders first priority since these are their last years to participate. 1st graders do not need to audition in the fall.

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## Each child needs to memorize the script that has been provided online on our website. You only need to memorize one character’s lines. Someone in the audition room will read the lines for the opposing character.

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I am looking for enthusiastic worshippers who can convey their love for worship in an engaging way. I want you to come in and deliver your words passionately and fearlessly! There are no right or wrong ways to deliver the lines.

**Choreography**

**You must do choreography if you want a specialty part in GOC!**

Auditions will be held in The LOFT located on the 3rd floor of the Children’s building.

**Kids will need to come with the audition dance already memorized**. You can find the audition dance/ instructional video on our website. We will also run through it on Wednesday nights leading up to auditions.

You will sign up for a dance timeslot on our website much like you already do for sing/ speak auditions. (That’s new!) There will be 10 available spots per time slot. Kids will come in with the others in their slot and do the memorized dance 2-3 times. There will be volunteers dancing it with them at the front of the room. However, the volunteers are there only to guide them as the kids audition, not to teach the dance.

Audition Dates, Times and Locations

**Singing/ Speaking:**

You will choose your own 3-minute time slot in Signup Genius.

**Location**: The Children’s Music Office

**Saturday, September 7 from 9:00am – 4:00pm**

**Choreography MANDATORY FOR GOC:**

You will choose your own time slot in Signup Genius.

**Location**: The Loft (3rd floor of the Children’s Building)

**Saturday, September 7 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm**

**FALL audition results will be posted on our website**

**Thursday,** **September 12 by 5:00 pm**.

**The Gift of Christmas audition results will be posted the first week of October.**

MANDATORY REHEARSAL DATES for FALL CONCERT

**If you are unable to make the FALL mandatory rehearsal date, you will not be able to keep your specialty part for the fall concert.** Each person is allowed ONE excused absence on any of the non-mandatory rehearsal dates.

**Dancers: October 29 and 30 MANDATORY**

**AMP’d UP, ensembles & solo singers: October 29 and 30 MANDATORY**

**Speaking: October 29 and 30 MANDATORY**

**Concert Date: November 3**

MANDATORY REHEARSAL DATES for GOC

**All kids participating in GOC must also participate in the Fall Concert in some capacity (general choir counts as participation). If you are unable to make the GOC mandatory rehearsal/ performance dates, you will not be able to keep your specialty part in GOC.** Each person is allowed ONE excused absence on any of the non-mandatory rehearsal dates. As of now, **rehearsal dates for specific parts are TBD**

**Major Rehearsals**: **MANDATORY**

**November 30 – December 5**

**Performances**: **MANDATORY**

**December 6 – 15**

**PARENTS**, if you KNOW your child is NOT going to be able to commit to **ALL** mandatory rehearsals/ performances, please do NOT have them audition for a specialty part in GOC. If they are unable to make all mandatory dates, they can still participate in general choir for GOC and we do not require auditions for general choir. Therefore, if you cannot commit to all mandatory GOC dates, you do not need to audition for GOC. Also, parents with kids participating in GOC will be asked to volunteer for a minimum of 3 performances.