

# Rehearsal Bulletin #8

18 March – *Our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year!*



1. **Welcome choristers!!** 7 rehearsals completed – 7 remaining.
2. **Weekly, choristers should:** Sign in on the attendance roster, pick up a rehearsal bulletin + handouts, and be in place on time at 7:29 p.m. Thank you!
3. **NEW!** **Distributions:** RB#8, 1 hymn sheet.
4. **NEW!** **Artistry in Worship Workshop:** Church musicians and worship leaders are enthusiastically invited to this workshop to be held at IBC on 3 Saturdays, 8, 15, 22 May, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. presented by Tom Anderson. **Registration is now open!** Two ways to register: tonight at the registration table or online. Registrations will be received at rehearsal tonight and next week only; after 25 March, register online. Three sessions are \$80 individually, \$240 (per person) for 3 sessions. Discounts apply for registrations received before 15 April. \$190 for 3 sessions, \$130 for 2 sessions. Invite a friend – bring your music ministry team along! The sessions are as follows:  
  
**8 May – Session 1: Artistry in Voice – Vocal Development 1**  
**15 May – Session 2: Artistry in Worship – Designing and Planning Creative Worship**  
**22 May – Session 3: Artistry in Rehearsal – Repertoire and Rehearsal Planning**
5. **NEW!** **Blog Time:** Now **LIVE** as of 6:00 a.m. Tune in to Celebrate Choral Art, Tom’s new blog to communicate regularly with you, Celebration Chorus, and the general music and worship world. Purpose of this blog: “This blog is about music, worship, choral singing, performance, music ministry, and events in the life of Celebration Chorus.” I hope you will bookmark the blog for weekly items, commentary, communication, inspiration, and more!! Email it to a friend. Exciting things are ahead!! The blog address is: [www.celebratechoralart.blogspot.com](http://www.celebratechoralart.blogspot.com)
6. **NEW!** **Ushers Needed:** Ushers are needed for BOTH presentations. We need a minimum of 5 ushers for each presentation. Please sign up at the registration table.
7. **NEW!** **Memorization:** For today, choristers should have memorized pp. 3-5, to bar 23 in *Thou Art Worthy*. Assignments for *Medley of the Cross* are forthcoming. Please work to that end with these 2 anthems.
8. **NEW!** **Chorus Love Offering:** On 1 April and 8 April choristers will have the opportunity to make a love offering to the ministry of the Chorus. In the past, your gifts have been absolutely vital to our making our season budget. We need your support to cover this season and to have the funds needed for our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration which will have increased costs. Cheques should be made out to Celebration Chorus Ltd. Direct deposit is also an option. See item #19 for instructions. Your contribution should be above and beyond your church tithe or offering and is completely voluntary. Thank you in advance for your generosity!
9. **NEW!** **Attire check:** All new choristers (men & women) must bring their attire to rehearsal NEXT WEEK, Thursday, 25 March. Our fashion coordinator, Avery Teo, will preview your attire to ensure conformity among choristers. Thank you!
10. **NEW!** **CC in the News:** Go to [www.christianpost.com.sg](http://www.christianpost.com.sg) to see a photo and article about Chorus ministry. There are a couple of inaccuracies, but overall a very good article.
11. **NEW!** **Vocal coaching session:** Shifted date is 1 April, same time, same place.
12. **PowerPoint slide:** Uploaded to the Chorus website under “Resources” is a PPT slide for churches using projected means of announcements. Download and send to your media team for promoting at your church. A soft copy has already been emailed to the Chorus.



## Today’s Quote

“Coincidence: when God performs a miracle and remains anonymous.”

13. **Publicity bulletin insert:** Below is a suggested publicity announcement for publication use, bulletins or website, or for sending out via email to your contacts. It can be downloaded at the Chorus website under 'Resources'.

**Celebration Chorus Worship Presentation:** You are cordially invited to "An Expression of Gratitude" with the Celebration Chorus on Sunday, 18 April, International Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m., and Friday, 23 April, St. George's Church, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. The Chorus observes its Tenth Anniversary this year and this worship presentation will feature great hymns of worship with themes of sacrifice and gratitude. There is no admission charge and the concert is open to all communities. Come worship – invite a friend!

14. **Publicity:** Invitation postcards are available at the registration table. Please take what you will use. Soft copy has already been distributed via email. A poster can be downloaded at the Chorus website.
15. **Chorus rehearsal schedule UPDATED:** Please see the online calendar for time adjustments in our final 3 April rehearsals. Sign in to our Google Group, then click on 'Calendar' at the top of the page. It also is available on the Chorus website.
16. **Program booklet advertisements:** Please consider taking out an advertisement in the program booklet for this worship presentation. The advertisement form is at the registration table and online at our Google Groups site and website. Ads may be personal gratitude, in memorial, sales & services, and corporate. Take advantage of this opportunity for company visibility.
17. **Join the Chorus Google Group:** Get connected to other choristers! Write or update your profile – include a photo – share a ride with someone. Not a member yet? Inform our webmaster, Colin Lim, (see email below) and he will send you an invitation to join.
18. **Section leaders:**  
 Tenors / basses: Colin Lim, [colin@celebrationchorus.net](mailto:colin@celebrationchorus.net)  
 Sopranos: Grace Young, [grace@celebrationchorus.net](mailto:grace@celebrationchorus.net)  
 Altos: Lim Lay Nee, [laynee@celebrationchorus.net](mailto:laynee@celebrationchorus.net)  
 Conductor: Tom Anderson, [conductor@celebrationchorus.net](mailto:conductor@celebrationchorus.net)
19. **Internet Banking Direct Deposit:** For those who use internet banking, it is straightforward to pay your season registration fees, make a gift to Celebration Chorus, or other financial transaction to CC by direct funds transfer. Once you have set up a bank funds transfer arrangement, you may make transactions any time you wish.

**Each bank has slightly different instructions, but note these points:**

1. In your internet banking site, set up the arrangement: go to 'Add New Other Bank Payee' (or similar). Use these details:
    - a. For your name (for display on CC's bank statement): please use a name (or shortened form) which we will recognize as uniquely you.
    - b. The Celebration Chorus ('payee') bank account details are these:
      - Payee bank code: 7375 (UOB)
      - Payee branch code: 307 (UOB Great World City)
      - Payee account number: 3073005874 [Note that all 10 digits are the Account number, even though '307' is also the branch code]
      - Name of payee: Celebration Chorus Ltd ('Celebration Chorus' is sufficient if you run out of space)
    - c. As for any One Time Payment, you will receive a special code by SMS on your hand phone, to use to authorize/confirm the arrangement.
20. **No Fragrances please!** When we request 'no perfumes, colognes, lotions or fragrances' please take it seriously. Such fragrances cause mucus membranes in the nose, sinuses, and throat to swell and secrete. They negatively affect the vocal mechanism and are too strong to inhale when standing in close proximity to one another. Thank you.