

Award Winning High School Chorus Will Perform at Westminster Presbyterian in Albany

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(ALBANY, NEW YORK) On Sunday, May 21, 2023, the Tamarac High School *Choralaires* will conclude their Capital District tour at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Albany at 6:00 pm. Under the direction of renowned choral director Christopher Price. The award-winning ensemble will perform *Let Music Live*, a concert featuring a carefully selected repertoire of songs about the inspiring power of music.

"Music is alive. Music radiates from the inside out providing spiritual, mental, and physical fingerprints," says Price of the program he's chosen.

The *Choralaires* will perform works from noted composers Daniel Elder, Morten Lauridsen, Moira Smiley (Leadbelly), and Dolly Parton, among others. The concert is comprised of a variety of selections and styles, including a traditional Zulu language piece and showstopper "Fire" from The Elements (Movement III) by Katerina Gimon. Music accompaniment will be provided by pianist Megan James.

Tamarac High School is part of the Brittonkill Central School District in Brunswick, New York and the *Choralaires* are the school's flagship chorus. Students audition for their spots each year similar to professional choirs. Under Price's direction, the *Choralaires* received 'highest honors with distinction' in choral festivals throughout the northeast, and the *Let Music Live* program will feature solos performed by top-scoring 2023 NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association) majors.

In addition to his work at Tamarac, <u>Price recently became the music director at Westminster Presbyterian</u>. Sunday morning worship services at Westminster Presbyterian feature live music, including choral anthems, hymns, instrumental ensembles, and solo singers from the church choir and congregation.

The Let Music Live concert at Westminster Presbyterian is free to attend and open to the public. Members of the local church community and the press community are invited and encouraged to attend. Westminster is located at 262 State Street in downtown Albany. The building is accessible

from the church parking lot located at 85 Chestnut Street, with additional street parking on State Street and adjacent Swan Street. Westminster Presbyterian is led by the Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff.

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