

## About the Allentown Music Club

The Allentown Music Club is a non-profit organization that supports quality music education. The club started in 1906 in Estelle Wright's living room as an outlet for performers, music study and a haven for music lovers. It took until 1915 to become affiliated with the Pennsylvania Federation of Music Clubs. This gave us affiliation with the largest philanthropic musical organization in the world founded in 1898 called as you might guess, the National Federation of Music Clubs (NFMC). The NFMC is chartered by the Congress of the United States and is the only musical organization member of the United Nations. NFMC provides opportunities for musical study, performance and appreciation to more than 200,000 senior, student and junior members in 6,500 music-related clubs and organizations nationwide. Members are professional and amateur musicians, vocalists, composers, dancers, performing artists, arts and music educators, music students, generous music patrons and benefactors, and music lovers of all ages.

During the 1930's, membership increased and the Woman's Club, now known as the Barrister's Club, became our home. Our members did regular local radio broadcasts during the 1930's when the club's chorus formed. In the 1950's, a Junior Music Club (ages 13-18), now known as the Young Musicians Club (ages 6-18), began

performing for the sponsoring Senior Club and also at local churches and nursing homes. 1951 marked the year men finally were admitted to the club as members and artist performers. We now meet monthly on **Sunday afternoons** from October to May (no January) starting at **3:00 P.M.** at the **Hope United Church of Christ** located on 1031 Flexer Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103.

Our monthly recital programs feature our Artist Members and occasionally a member of our Young Musicians Club and at the end of the season our scholarship winners. We also sponsor group bus trips to some outstanding productions and concerts in Philadelphia or New York at attractive rates.

Our projects include three scholarships: Outstanding String Performer in the Lehigh County Schools; Summer Music Camp for a qualified member of the Young Musicians Club; and Past Presidents Assembly Scholarship to a qualified student in the area who continues their education in Musical Performance. We also help host the PFMC Festival for the Philadelphia Region (Central). Come join us as either a Member or Artist Member. Persons interested in auditioning for Artist Membership need to contact Auditions Chairperson, Santa J. Peters at 610-797-2582. Members need only possess a desire to be a music lover who wants to join our cause to support quality music education.

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HOPE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
1031 FLEXER AVENUE  
ALLENTOWN, PA

### Christmas Around the World An International Program



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010  
3:00 P.M.

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## PROGRAM

- Song of the Month  
"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"  
Santa J. Peters, *piano*  
words: Henry W. Longfellow  
J. Baptiste Calkin
- O Holy Night  
Little Drummer Boy (orig. "Carol of the Drum")  
Young Musician - Carina Wetherhold, *piano*  
Adolphe Adams (1803-1856)  
Katherine K. Davis (1892-1980)
- Toyland, from *Babes in Toyland*  
Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella  
Young Musician - Shaumik Phadke, *piano*  
Victor Herbert (1859-1924), arr. Martha Mier  
17th Century French Carol, arr. Martha Mier
- Lovely Appear  
Still a Bach Christmas  
*A traditional Austrian carol and "Air" from orchestral Suite in D*  
by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)  
Charles François Gounod (1818-1893)  
adapted & arr. with new words by Jay Althouse
- There Upon a Manger Bed  
Angel Carol, a traditional Polish carol  
Jeanne Harakal, *soprano*  
Olivia Charnegie, *guest alto*  
Martha Cox Popichak, *guest piano*  
Georg Friedrich Handel (1685-1759)  
arr. Anna Laura Page (1943- )
- Scherzo in E Major, Op. 54  
Helen Beedle, *piano*  
Frédéric F. Chopin (1810-1949)
- "I'll Be Home for Christmas"  
What Child Is This?  
"Winter Wonderland"  
Sleigh Ride  
Bob Premecz, *tenor, alto & soprano saxophones*  
Walter Kent (1911-1994)  
Traditional English Melody, arr. Ed Hogan  
Felix Bernard (1847-1944)  
Leroy Anderson (1908-1975)

## SING-A-LONG

### It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth,  
To touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men  
From heavens all gracious King!"  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,  
With peaceful wings unfurled;  
And still their heavenly music floats  
O'er all the weary world:  
Above its sad and lowly plains  
They bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o'er its Babel sounds  
The blessed angels sing.

### The First Noel

The First Noel, the Angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the East beyond them far  
And to the earth it gave great light  
And so it continued both day and night.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel!

### Silent Night

Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior is born  
Christ, the Savior is born

### O Come All Ye Faithful

O Come All Ye Faithful  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him,  
Born the King of Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

O Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing all that hear in heaven God's holy word.  
Give to our Father glory in the Highest;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Jeanne Harakal, *program coordinator*

### Young Musicians of the Allentown Music Club

Will be performing at:  
Country Meadows, 410 Krocks Rd, Upper Macungie  
Saturday, December 11, 2010 at 2:00 P.M.