

Celebration Orchestra F.A.Q.

Q: When do you rehearse?

A: We rehearse Wed. nights from **6:30-8:00pm** in the orchestra room (old choir room) behind the Worship Center stage. This occurs during the 6:30pm Wed. night service.

Q: Who can be in the orchestra?

A: If you have played an instrument two years or longer at any time in your life, you are welcome to come rehearse with us on Wednesdays. We are also open to any youth who meet the criteria.

Q: What do I need to do before coming the first time?

A: We have open rehearsals, so feel free to just bring your instrument and show up! It is helpful if you call the Orchestra Director, Patrick Worsham, ahead of time but is not absolutely necessary. Come at 6:30pm so we can give you music and show you where to sit, etc.

Q: Is Childcare provided?

A: We provide childcare for all regularly scheduled rehearsals for member's children through 4th grade with reservations. (Kay Thompson)

Q: What is the commitment level:

Week-to-week?

A: You can still have a life and be in orchestra! For membership, we do ask that you commit to playing with us "on a regular basis," meaning we will plan on you being here more often than not for Wed. rehearsals and Sun. services. Additionally, we have a "sign-out" system for communicating when you'll be out. Sunday rehearsals begin promptly at 8:00am and we play for the 9:30am service only.

Special events?

A: For seasonal events(Easter, Christmas, Patriotic), we will have extra rehearsals in addition to Wednesdays. We expect members to attend a majority of all scheduled rehearsals in order to participate. Also, we will play all three services for seasonal events, productions, etc.

Q: When can I begin playing for services?

A: We ask new members to come to **three rehearsals** before playing in a worship service. This is to ensure you feel comfortable with the music, procedures, and are ready for the sight-reading we will do Sunday morning. After your third time, the Orchestra Director will have a short, informal interview to go over any finer details, and will possibly ask you to play a short excerpt.(something easy-don't worry!) NOTE: There are several pieces of music that we do not practice until Sunday morning

Q: What if I have to miss a rehearsal or service?

A: With busy schedules, we understand that you can't always make it. We ask that you "sign-out," when you will miss. This can be written in the sign-out book, phone call, e-mail, or txt message