Samantha Hersey Gorton—Our Minister of Music



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A native of New Boston, Samantha Hersey Gorton has been involved in music and community activities her entire life. She has directed the Community Church Choir for more than 30 years. While attending Wheaton College, she was a member of the a cappella group *The Wheatones.*

Affectionately known as Ms. Sam by her New Boston Central School students, she has been a teacher in the New Boston School System for many years. Sam has been an active member of local stage productions. She lives in Goffstown with her 2 faithful pups-Tuckerman and Rescue.

Karina Allayne—Our Accompanist



Karina is an independent pianist and music director that works with many area schools and theater programs. Currently, she is preparing and performing for many different theatrical shows. She enjoys her time with Sam and the members of the choir as the pianist for the Community Church of New Boston.

When Karina is not making music, she is a farmer, mom, and educator at her farm in

New Boston.

A Christmas Cantata Sunday, December 15 2024 2:00 pm Performed by the combined choirs of The Community Church of New Boston And Hillside United Methodist Church



A Gospel Christmas Celebration for SATB Choirs

Joel Raney

Joy Order of Selections

Special Thanks To

Sing Joy!	Tech Support	Paul Citak Helen Carl
Waiting	Program	Barbara Woodland
A Song in the Air	The Collaboration between Hillside Methodist Church and the Community Church of New Boston	
Jesus, What a Wonderful Child	Woody Woodland for his constant support and encouragement	
O Come All Ye Faithful	Karina Allayne for her time, talent and love of the performance	
Tell It On the Mountain	Family members and	friends for their constant support

Gantata Performers

Karina Allayne, piano

Janet Cristini

Lynn Reimer

Carey Citak

Sam Gorton

Roz Spiller

Paul Citak

Dick Backus

Janet White

Carol Hulick

Samantha Hersey Gorton

Music Director Accompanist Soloists

Drums Readers



Sopranos

Janet Cristini Deb DeMazure Lynn Reimer **Rosalind Spiller Betsy Whitman** Ellen Anderson

Altos

Gloria Chandler Janet White Carol Hulick Louise Robie Patti Garrity

Tenors

Paul Citak Gail Parker Dottie Marden

Basses

Richard Backus Don Chapman Floyd Guyette Ron Brenner

Sing Joy

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy. O tidings of comfort and joy

Sing "joy to the world" cause Mary had a baby O, my Lord! Rejoice with the angels in heaven! Glory hallelujah to the newborn King!

Sing Joy! Sing Joy! Sing joy to the world the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare him room, And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing And heav'n and heaven and nature sing. Joy! Sing "joy to the world" cause Mary had a baby O, my Lord! Rejoice with the angels in heaven! Glory hallelujah to the newborn King! Sing Joy! Sing joy to the world!

The Savior reigns; let all their songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy Repeat, repeat, repeat, repeat, repeat, repeat the Sounding, repeat the sounding joy! Sing "joy to the world" cause Mary had a baby O, my Lord! Rejoice with the angels in heaven! Glory hallelujah to the newborn King! Sing joy to the world, sing joy to the tiny little baby Sing joy to the world, sing joy to the newborn King Sing joy! Sing joy! Sing Joy!

Waiting

Waiting, we are waiting, we are waiting for the coming King. Waiting, we are waiting, for the bells of heaven to ring. When the valleys rise up and the mountains lie down Saviors gonna come and claim his heavenly crown Waiting, we are waiting, we are waiting for the coming King. Waiting, we are waiting, we are waiting for the sun to rise Waiting, we are waiting, till the clouds don't cover the skies For the fighting to stop, for the quarrels to cease Saviors gonna come and bring us heavenly peace Waiting, we are waiting, we are waiting for the coming King. O come, O come Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear We are waiting.

Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel! Waiting, we are waiting, we are waiting for the coming King Waiting, we are waiting for the angel chorus to sing. When the valleys rise up and the mountains lie down Saviors gonna come and claim his heavenly crown Waiting, we are waiting, we are waiting for the coming King We are waiting, for the coming King!

Sing JOY! (Reprise)

Sing joy! Sing "joy to the world" 'cause Mary had a baby O my Lord Rejoice with the angels in heaven! Glory hallelujah to the newborn King! Sing joy! Sing joy to the world the Savior reigns Let all their songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy Repeat, repeat, repeat, repeat Repeat the sounding, repeat the sounding joy Sing joy, sing joy to the world, sing joy to the tiny little baby Sing joy, Sing joy, Sing joy!

Go Tell it on the Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ, that Jesus Christ is born Go tell it, tell it on the mountain; Go tell it, tell it on the mountain; Go tell it, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born. Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born. Down in the lowly manger the humble Christ was born And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ, that Jesus Christ is born Go tell it, tell it on the mountain; Go tell it, tell it on the mountain Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above Go tell it, tell it on the mountain; Go tell it, tell it on the mountain Go tell it, tell it on the mountain; Go tell it, tell it on the mountain Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ, that Jesus Christ is born Go tell it, tell it on the mountain; Go tell it, tell it on the mountain Jesus Christ is born

A Song in the Air

Night time is falling, shepherds are leaving their sheep. Angels are calling, singing the baby to sleep. Guarding the manger, Mary keeps watch in the night Holding the stranger, the King of love and light. There's a song in the air, there's a star in the sky A mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry. The star rains its fire while the beautiful sing

"The manger of Bethlehem cradles a King" Away in a manger no crib for a bed,

The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head The stars in the sky looked down where he lay;

The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay. Come to the manger, bow down and worship the King Loud "Alleluias" lift up your voices and sing There's a song in the air, there's a star in the sky A mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry. The star rains its fire while the beautiful sing The manger of Bethlehem cradles a King. There's a song, there's a star, there's a prayer and a baby's low cry The star rains its fire while the beautiful sing

What a Wonderful Child

Jesus, Jesus, O, what a wonderful child Jesus, Jesus, so lowly, meek and mind New life, new hope, new joy he brings; Won't you listen to the angels sing "Glory, glory, glory" to the newborn King! He was herald by the angels; born in a lowly manger The virgin Mary was his mother and Joseph was his earthly father Three wise men came from afar. They were guided by a shining star To see King Jesus where he lay in a manger filled with hay Jesus, my Jesus O Lord what a wonderful child Jesus, Jesus, so lowly, meek and mind New life, new hope, new joy he brings; Won't you listen to the angels sing "Glory, glory, glory" to the newborn King! Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen (repeat) Jesus, O, Jesus, my Lord what a wonderful child Jesus, holy Jesus, the babe so lowly meek and mild New life, new hope, new joy he brings; Won't you listen to the angels sing "Glory, glory, glory" to the newborn King! "Glory to the newborn King! "Glory to the newborn King! Jesus! What a wonderful Child!

O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful joyful and triumphant O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem O 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 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, heavenly peace Sleep in heavenly peace. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation Sing all ye citizens of heaven above Glory to God all 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 Christ the Lord