## Music and Arts Ministry Team

Psalms 100 encourages us to Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord all Ye Lands. We are to Serve the Lord with Gladness and Come before His Presence with Singing....and that is what you will receive from the Music and Arts Ministry of Trinity UMC.

The Music and Arts Ministry Team is comprised of many different groups and leaders. Each Sunday our church is blessed to have musical presentations that honor and give God Glory and offer encouragement and joy to all who engage in worship.

This past year has been a growing period for all. Music and Arts was faced with "doing things differently", just as all other organizations and departments within the church. However, though faced with many challenges, I believe that together we were able to adapt and to overcome.

During the pandemic, each Sunday and even during special programs, our congregation and virtual worshippers were blessed with music from The Chancel Choir, The Youth Choir, The Brass Ensemble, The Praise Team, CRAIG, Take Note, soloists Wendi Huff, Tamara Cashour, Angela Gill, Angela Spencer, members of the Chancel choir who volunteered to sing, and Jacobs Ladder served as needed.

Music and Arts did not miss a beat. Weekly each group rehearsed and recorded music with our Audio Video Ministry to ensure that each Sunday was covered! What a blessing!!!!

There were many memorable moments during this season. Though our Christmas Eve service was modified the message went forth. Our Brass Ensemble submitted a submission to be used for General Conference and the Chancel and Youth Choir collaborated for several video musical compilations. For the sake of humor, I would say one of the most memorable moments was during "parking lot worship" on one Sunday morning when the wind was very high and the tent blew while the Brass Ensemble was playing. By the way, the ensemble continued to "blow their horns" as the wind "blew the tent". I can hear the horns honking now!!!!

We want to thank Lynda Foreman for her leadership and participation with our youth praise band for the past 10 years. CRAIG as we know it will retire in 2022. Lynda thank you for your faithfulness and sowing seeds of joy in the lives of so many youth over the years. You are appreciated and our Father in Heaven has been Glorified!

We also invite and encourage others to join any of the groups within the Music and Arts Ministry. Our doors are always open and we invite you to enter.

The following are the leaders of the various ministry groups:

Chancel Choir: Valerie Wittkamper Youth Choir: Denise Berry Praise Band: James Chamblee Brass Ensemble: Matthew Stegle CRAIG: Lynda Foreman Take Note: Bethany Adamo or Dawn Bambrick Coordinator of Music and Arts: Angela Spencer