



**ST. TIMOTHY'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

200 Oyster Creek Drive  
Lake Jackson, TX 77566

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# *District and Region Choir Singer's Workshop*

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*Our Vision:*  
Growing together  
in Christ  
transforms lives.

*Our Mission:*  
We embody  
Christ's presence  
by reaching out  
to receive with  
open hands and  
to share with  
open heart the  
Word of God, the  
Bread of Life.

## **Workshop Schedule:**

<b>Saturday July 29</b>	<b>1:30-6:30</b>
<b>Sunday July 30</b>	<b>1:30-6:30</b>

This 2-day workshop is offered to singers who will be in grades 9-12 in the Lake Jackson and surrounding areas in the fall of 2006. We will prepare and rehearse the music for the District and Region Choir auditions to be held this fall in the area schools. All meetings will take place at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Lake Jackson. Other area youth who are interested in singing but are not currently enrolled in school choral programs may also participate for the experience and instruction benefit.

District/Region/Pre-Area/All-State audition dates are currently published as Sept. 17/Oct.15/Nov.28 2006 and Jan. 7, 2007. Area singers who participated in last summer's workshop reported they were more prepared and confident for the District and Region auditions.

The workshop will be staffed by music professionals from the singing, teaching, and conducting fields. These teachers are singers of all four voice-section types, rhythm, and effective practicing strategies. The individuals who will teach also have experience in judging competitions from the district/region levels and beyond, so they will offer workshop singers some hints on what the judges are looking for in a singer's performance at these auditions.

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## **District and Region Choir Singer's Workshop Staff Information**

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### **Ms. Kathy Hutchison, Soprano, administration**

Ms. Hutchison has taught music and children's choirs for more than 20 years. She has a BA in Fine Arts from the University of St. Thomas in Houston. Kathy has been a church musician most of her life, and contributes her talents to both the St. Timothy's Choir and the Houston Masterworks Chorus. Kathy is well-known in the Lake Jackson area as the owner and teacher of a highly successful Kindermusik program for children.

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### **Dr. Jane Becker, Soprano, administration and teaching staff**

Dr. Becker is a concert artist who has sung in the United States, Mexico, and in Europe. She has teaching studios in Houston and Lake Jackson, and is on the faculty of Lee College. Dr. Becker is a singing voice specialist at the Voice Care Center of Houston, where she works in clinical voice. She is the Director of Music at the Houston Congregation for Reform Judaism, and enjoys presenting choral and vocal pedagogy workshops for singers and teachers.

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### **Ms. Laura Farnell, Alto, teaching staff**

Ms. Farnell teaches in the Arlington ISD, where she has directed choirs for the past five years. She received her Bachelor of Music Education in Choral Music Education in Choral Music from Baylor University. Ms. Farnell has also taught in Mansfield, Texas. Her choral groups have earned numerous sweepstakes awards. She was recently awarded an Excellence in Education Award as her school's "Teacher of the Year".

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### **Mr. Chris Hutchison, Tenor, teaching staff**

Mr. Hutchison is the Director of Choirs at Carroll Senior High School in South Lake Texas. His choirs have won many top honors including UIL Sweepstakes awards and several best in class awards in choral festivals. Many of his students have participated in TMEA Region, Area, and All-State. Mr. Hutchison also performs as a singer, recently with Skitch Henderson and the New York Pops Orchestra. He is a graduate of Brazoswood High School, and has attended Brazosport College, Texas Women's University, East Texas Baptist University, and The University of North Texas.

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### **Mr. Russell Farnell, Baritone, teaching staff**

Mr. Farnell received his Bachelor of Music in Church Music from Baylor University, and a Master of Church Music from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Mr. Farnell has taught music theory at the University of Texas at Arlington. He maintains a teaching studio, and has served as a choral clinician in the Dallas and north Texas area.

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# District and Region Choir Singer's Workshop Registration July 29 and 30, 2006

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address\_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail\_\_\_\_\_

Circle the voice type you sing in choir. If you don't know if you're voice type 1 or 2, please circle the voice type and put a question mark.

Sop1	Sop 2
Alto 1	Alto 2
Tenor 1	Tenor 2
Bass 1	Bass 2

Registration Costs:	Workshop Fee	60.00
	<u>Music Fee</u>	<u>15.00</u>
	Total cost:	75.00

Please make checks for \$75.00 payable to St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. If you have any questions about registration, about the workshop, or if you need additional registration forms, please call Kathy Hutchison, at 979-297-0707.

*Would you be able to contribute a door prize? Circle yes / no*

Registration forms should be mailed by Friday, July 14, however, late registrations will be accepted.

If available, CDs of the music may be for sale at the time of the workshop.

Please mail this completed form to: Kathy Hutchison  
52 Mandevilla Court  
Lake Jackson, TX 77566

