MUSIC MINISTRY ANNUAL REPORT

This past year was very busy for the music ministries at St. Matthew's. Our Music Ministry includes: Sanctuary Choir, Handbell Choir, Junior Choir, Cherub Choir and Epiphany Choir. I would especially like to thank Sharon Ferrell(Handbells and Junior Choir), Amy Jones(violin, cello), Aidan Furman(oboe), Sheila Ferrell(music librarian), Althea Benton(choir vestments and more!), Laura Starratt(Cherub Choir) and Flip Porter(Epiphany Choir) for all their hard work and dedication to St. Matthew's. Thank you to Lois Sivert for being a wonderful sub for when for when I am away.

Some highlights of 2019 include:

- Lessons and Carols with the Sanctuary and Handbell Choirs
- Musical Meditations on the Stations of the Cross during Lent
- Junior Choir and Cherubs singing at the Christmas Pageant
- Reorganizing the choral library and choir room after the flood
- Reorganizing choir vestments
- Increased involvement of youth instrumentalists in services
- Added members to the Sanctuary Choir

Goals for 2020 include:

- Choral Evensong with the Sanctuary Choir
- Junior Choir musical presentation
- Replace aging digital pianos in Sanctuary and Choir Room
- Begin fundraising for new vestments for the Sanctuary Choir
- Continue cataloging the choral library
- Increase involvement of youth instrumentalists in services
- Keep making a joyful noise
- Attend American Guild of Organists annual convention in Atlanta

Thank you to the people for your support during 2019. I look forward to serving you in 2020.

Peace,

Kyle Osborne, Director of Music St. Matthew's Episcopal Church