Virtual Choir Recording for Easter Anthem at APC: HYMN OF PROMISE

Thank you for lending your voice to the choir anthem project! There are three options for recording. Decide which one is the best fit for you and then scroll down to see your steps. Score and rehearsal videos are all on Oratorio Choir page here: <https://apcusa.org/musicatabington/oratorio-choir/>

1. **Record yourself at home** with a phone, iPad, video camera, etc.   
   This is a great choice for folks who like technology and want to join the fun of creating the project to the fullest extent
2. **Record at Church with help**.  
   This is a great choice for folks who are comfortable being out and about a little bit but want help from John Sall to oversee their actual recording at the church in the sanctuary
3. **Get help to record from home by Zoom**  
   This is a good choice for those who are carefully staying almost exclusively at home but want to join in this project. Some coordination of schedule and tech ahead of the recording time so you’ll have what you need is important.

**RECORD AT HOME**

You will need

* A camera to record (smartphone, laptop, etc)
* A different phone/iPad/computer to play the YouTube of your rehearsal track
* Earbuds or headphones of some kind to use with the second device
* Your music (paper, online or memorized)
* HELPFUL additions
  1. A tripod, shelf, or object that you put the camera/phone on (close to eye level)
  2. Enough good light we can see you
  3. A plain/simple background is easiest to work with but a hint of spring is nice!
  4. Adventurous attitude for fun!

Recording:

1. Prepare
   1. Brush your hair
   2. Wear an Eastery or spring-y top if possible (It might be a regular Tuesday when you record but it will be Easter when we all watch)
   3. Look for a spot with mostly plain background or a subtle hint of spring
   4. Be sure you have enough light that we can see you on video and You can see music!
   5. Seated or standing be sure you’re comfortable (and mostly still) for the whole song
   6. Cue up your part rehearsal video from the Oratorio Choir page: <https://apcusa.org/musicatabington/oratorio-choir/>
2. Record
   1. Start a video recording (use the phone or iPad in **wide**/landscape direction)
   2. Start your “Part video” on your second device (Phone) with earbuds/headphones
   3. This begins with a count-along and clap – DO THIS! (1,2,3,4,X)
   4. Do your best, singing your part and at the end – **HOLD** for about 10 second of silence
   5. Stop the video
   6. Watch and rerecord if you want, but it won’t ever be perfect (have grace!)
   7. Upload the final/best video directly to Dropbox here: <https://www.dropbox.com/request/O4GbeUFqKVJMYPPTRkvB>
3. Watch for your part in Easter worship online or worship in person and watch the choir video after (I’ll share).

**RECORD AT CHURCH**

You will need

* A Signup time online: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094AABA82CA02-recording>
* Your music
* HELPFUL additions
  1. Your own Earbuds or headphones if you have them (but can use headphones at church)
  2. Adventurous attitude for fun!

Recording:

1. Prepare
   1. Wear an Eastery or spring-y top if possible (It might be a regular Tuesday when you record but it will be Easter when we all watch)
   2. Bring your music
   3. Arrive at church a little before your scheduled time. Wait in your car for John.
2. Record at church
   1. I will have a spot for you in sanctuary to stand
   2. I will start a video recording with sanctuary equipment
   3. You can start the part video on your phone with headphones, or the iPad I have for you to use here with headphones
   4. Do your best, singing your part and at the end – HOLD for about 10 second of silence
   5. Record a second take if you want, but it won’t ever be perfect (have grace!)
   6. I take care of moving your video to the folder with the rest

3. Watch for your part in Easter worship online or worship in person and watch the choir video after (I’ll share).

**RECORD AT HOME WITH HELP ON ZOOM**

You will need

* A time set by email with John Sall to record your part together
* Your music
* HELPFUL additions

a. Earbuds or headphones for your computer  
b. Adventurous attitude for fun!

Recording:

1. Prepare
   1. Wear an Eastery or springy top if possible
   2. Have your music ready
2. Record by Zoom
   1. I will set our Zoom meeting to record you and help you get set to start
   2. I will send you a link to click on for your “part video” to sing with
   3. We begin with count and clap then sing your best with the part video (headphones if possible please!) HOLD at the end for 10 seconds silence
   4. Record a second take if you feel you should (but have grace!)
3. Watch for your part in Easter worship online or worship in person and watch the choir video after (I’ll share).