

The EMHS Touring Choir is an ensemble of 11th and 12th grade students which tours extensively each spring. When Eastern Mennonite School was founded over a century ago, vocal music in worship was one of its foundational values, and we are grateful for this musical heritage. Our faith in Christ is central to our identity as a choir.



4th Row: Gabe Stoltzfus*, Logan Weaver, Mac Rhodes-Lehman*, Tyler Shank, Luke Witmer*, Christian Meixner, Langdon Stutzman, Ethan Pettit / 3rd Row: Jared Stutzman (director), Andrew Lantz, Milo Hertzler, Ryan Hostetter, Ben Huyard*, Max Stempel*, Andrew Holland*, Silas King / 2nd row: Kyana Lehman, Claire Tieszen, Rachelle Martin, Naomi Diener*, Anna Miller*, Eleanor Yoder*, Hannah Dredger, Paige Hutcheson*, Emily Hess*, / 1st Row: Carson Cale, Sophie Hendricks*, Erin Loker, Rhianna Solomon, Vivienne Alleyne*, Mackenzie Miller*, Norah Godshall* / Not shown: Hannah Fairfield, Marissa Clark (*denotes Chamber Choir member)

2023 EMHS Touring Choir Spring Itinerary

Sun April 2 AM	Mount Clinton Mennonite Church
Sun, April 2 PM	Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community
Sat, April 15 PM	Mennonite Schools Choral Festival hosted by Eastern Mennonite School
Sun, April 16 AM	Community Mennonite Church
Sun, April 16 PM	Harrisonburg Mennonite Church
Sun, April 23 AM	Huntington Mennonite Church
Sun, May 7 AM	Springdale Mennonite Church
Sun, May 7 PM	Emmanuel Episcopal Church (choral evensong)
Sun, May 21 AM	Zion Mennonite Church
Sun, May 21 PM	Park View Mennonite Church
Sun, May 28 AM	Lindale Mennonite Church
Sun, May 28 PM	Weavers Mennonite Church
Thurs, June 1 PM	EMS Commencement Concert

Eastern Mennonite School is a K-12 private Christian school in Harrisonburg, VA, which has been serving students from many faith backgrounds for more than a century. EMS joins home and church in calling students to academic excellence, faith in Jesus Christ, personal integrity, and compassionate service in the world.

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2023 EASTERN MENNONITE HIGH SCHOOL TOURING CHOIR

DO NOT BE AFRAID

A CHORAL WORSHIP SERVICE



DO NOT BE AFRAID

We invite you to join us in this choral worship service. This is not merely a performance. Participatory congregational singing has a special place in our Mennonite heritage, emphasizing that we speak God's word to each other. So, sing or hum along if you wish! Allow the music to speak to you. Clap if and when you feel like it. Respond as the Spirit leads you.

"Don't be afraid" is one of the most frequent exhortations found in Scripture. Through our songs and the story of Daniel in our children's feature, we hope that you will be encouraged to trust the God who knows and is in control.

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT

Psalm 27
from *The Star of Bethlehem* singing school book
George F. Root

EXULTATE DEO

Psalm 81
Alessandro Scarlatti
Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!

JESUS, HOLD MY HAND

Based on Psalm 23
Bryan Sharpe

NON NOBIS, DOMINE

Psalm 115
Rosephanye Powell
Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory.

UPON THE HEIGHTS

Psalm 130 and Habakkuk 3
Ben Sides

CHILDREN'S FEATURE

DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN

All children (and those with childlike hearts) may come to the front for a story and a song.

WHEN I AM AFRAID

Psalm 56
Seth Crissman / The Soil and The Seed Project

When I am afraid, I put my trust in You.

DON'T BE AFRAID

Sing the Journey #105 / Voices Together #596
John Bell

DANIEL, DANIEL, SERVANT OF THE LORD

African American Spiritual
arr. Undine S. Moore

STRENGTH

African American Spiritual
Gregory Berg

KYRIE

From *Salzburg Missa Brevis*
Richard Burchard

THE LAMB AND THE TYGER

Poems by William Blake
Andrew Miller

THE BATTLE OF JERICHO

African American Spiritual
arr. Moses Hogan

COME AWAY TO THE SKIES

American hymn tune "Exultation," poem by Charles Wesley
arr. Alice Parker

DO NOT BE AFRAID

Isaiah 43
Philip W.J. Stopford

MAKABONGWE UJEHOVA

Traditional isiZulu/Sesotho
Arr. Michael Barrett

God is above all things and He should be praised.
Oh Savior, You are my hope.
Our Lord is glorious and we can always trust in Him.
He took me from a low point and lifted me up.
Jesus is kind to me.

UNCLOUDED DAY

American hymn tune
J.K. Alwood, arr. Shawn Kirchner

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26
Matthew Hunsberger '96