

**GAUDEAMUS**  
*LET US REJOICE*

November 2020

Dear Friend of Gaudeamus,

Thanks to you and our many past and present dedicated musicians, volunteers and Board of Directors, Gaudeamus is pleased to continue its 29<sup>th</sup> year of ministry. As we approach the Christmas season, we wish to update you on our fundraising efforts and contributions to support those in need.

Thanks to your generosity and donations at our 2019 Christmas concert, we were honored to be able to contribute \$11,500 to “A Baby’s Breath,” an organization whose primary mission is to “help a mother to see her child take his/her first breath.” During our fiscal year, Gaudeamus also was pleased to support Holy Rosary School and several education funds for children needing financial support. In addition, we provided a \$3,500 scholarship to a Temple University student. While supporting the educational needs of students is our paramount mission, Gaudeamus continues to provide assistance to children with medical needs. For example, Gaudeamus helped a local family with financial burdens due to their child’s illness. Given the unprecedented struggles brought by the COVID-19 pandemic, Gaudeamus was also able to assist several families who were experiencing hardships. All told, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, Gaudeamus donated close to \$30,000.

As we approach the Christmas season in this unusual year, Gaudeamus has decided to release an encore presentation of our 2019 Christmas Concert which will be accompanied by spiritual and uplifting Christmas scenes. We are pleased that Boenning & Scattergood has agreed to be our corporate partner in this venture.

The concert will be available for viewing on several social media platforms, starting on Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. At 3 PM. The concert will run continuously so that you will be able to watch at your convenience. As much as we would love to perform our concert for an appreciative live audience, we hope this format will provide you with the peace and joy of Christmas in an unsettling time. To view the video, please visit our website [www.letusrejoice.org](http://www.letusrejoice.org) which will lead you to links related to this year’s virtual concert.

Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us for a joyful concert which celebrates the true meaning of the season and share our concert with family and friends who may have never enjoyed our concerts in the past. If you would like to make a donation to our ministry, you can visit our website: [www.letusrejoice.org](http://www.letusrejoice.org) and click the donation link or mail it to us in the enclosed envelope to Gaudeamus Music Ministry, Inc., P.O. Box 8, Blue Bell, PA 19422.

From all of the musicians of Gaudeamus, we wish you a blessed and healthy Christmas and Happy 2021.

Sincerely,

Connie Steuer

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