
Scholarship Requirements

Choral Scholars must be actively enrolled in a degree program at UGA. Participation requires full membership in the Sanctuary Choir of First Baptist Church which includes a weekly rehearsal on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. and Sunday morning worship from 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon. Additional activities include two seasonal concerts (December and April). The schedule for the 2017-2018 year begins Wednesday, August 16 continuing through Sunday, December 10, 2017, and resumes Wednesday, January 10 continuing through Sunday, April 25, 2018. In this period absences from 6 rehearsals and 6 services will be permitted.

Scholarship Application

Step One

(deadline is August 4, 2017)

Complete enclosed application and mail to:

Choral Scholar Application
Dr. Randy C. Brittain
First Baptist Church
355 Pulaski St.
Athens, GA 30601

-or-

Complete application online at
www.firstbaptistathens.org
(click on *Music/Choral Scholars* link)

Step Two

An audition will be scheduled with you upon receipt of your application. Audition requirements include one prepared solo, sight reading and aural evaluation.

Step Three

Positions will be offered by August 14th and acceptance deadline is August 15th.

First Baptist Church Athens, Georgia

For over one hundred and eighty years the First Baptist Church of Athens, Georgia has been an important presence in northeastern Georgia and a central force in moderate Baptist life. Affiliated locally with the Sarapata Baptist Association, First Baptist also partners with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia, and nationally with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. First Baptist is one of the founding churches of the McAfee School of Theology of Mercer University.

The music ministry of the church encompasses choirs for all age groups, and instrumental resources that include Malmark Handbells and Choirchimes, three grand pianos, a harpsichord, an Orff Instrumentorium, and the fifty-five rank M. P. Moller Pipe Organ Opus 11166 (1976).

The Sanctuary Choir sings weekly for the 11:00 am worship service and presents seasonal concerts of major choral works with orchestral accompaniment. Recent performances include Handel's *Messiah*, *The Seven Last Words of Christ* by Dubois, *Mass in G* by Schubert, *Gloria* by Vivaldi, *Requiems* by Faure, Forrester, Leavitt, and Rutter, *The Incarnation* by K. Lee Scott, *Feel the Spirit* by Rutter, and *Come Away to the Skies: A High Lonesome Bluegrass Mass* by Wes Ramsay and Tim Sharp. The Sanctuary Choir has sung at the Biltmore House in Asheville, NC, Bruton Parish Episcopal Church in Colonial Williamsburg, VA, and the National Cathedral in Washington, DC.

The church also offers many opportunities to young adults for discipleship, support and missions.



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A photograph of the First Baptist Church building in Athens, Georgia. The building is a large, classical-style structure with a prominent portico supported by several tall columns. The entrance is centered under the portico. The image is slightly faded and overlaid with the text "Choral Scholars".

Choral Scholars

**Two \$2000 scholarship
positions available**

**Sing with one of the finest
church choirs in the region**

**Enjoy the support of a
“home away from home”
church family**

**Create lasting friendships with
other area students**

First Baptist Church of Athens Choral Scholar Application

Date _____

Name _____ Email _____

Phone: Home (local) _____ Cell _____

Work _____ Home _____

Address : _____

College/University _____ Area of Study _____ Year _____

High School _____ City/State _____

Music Activities:

Career Plans/Goals:

What interests you about our choral scholar program?

What has been your church experience (if any) to this point?

Please list at least two references with contact information: