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The sounds of the holiday may be heard this Sunday as the Chancel Choir of the Dexter First United Methodist Church presents the Christmas cantata "We Celebrate The King."

The Chancel Choir, under the direction of Music Director Mary Ruth Boone, will present the musical this Sunday, Dec. 11, during the 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services and again at a special "Christmas By Candlelight" at 5:30 p.m. All three presentations of the Christmas cantata will be held at the church at 501 South Walnut in Dexter.

Christmas at Candlelight will feature the cantata at 5:30 Sunday evening and other Christmas music, including flutist Kay Plummer and the Youth Bell Choir. Holiday refreshments will be served following the presentation in Wesley Hall.

"*We Celebrate the King* combines the classic, traditional carols with new songs of worship to deliver the true message of Christmas in a fresh and exciting way," Boone said. "Moving from the explosive Latin rhythms of a surprise opening song, to the fresh new arrangements of beloved carols, to power ballads to the vibrant and celebrative "Forever King" as the closer, *We Celebrate the King* is widely eclectic in style and offers something for everyone."

Boone added that the choir, soloists and ensembles all combine to celebrate the Christmas holiday and the God's Gift of His Son to new heights.

"Celebrating Christmas is one of the most wonderful and worshipful times of the entire year," Boone commented. "Worship is a verb. And this musical presentation of ‘*We Celebrate The King*’ will hopefully inspire and motivate us all enrich our holiday experience. We hope that the Christ of Christmas will shine in and through this wonderful musical experience."

Soloists featured in the cantata include Brian Crawford, Debbie Fisher, Gloria Hampton, Linda Hill, Karen Lane, Michelle Lane, June Lawrence, Dana Lovins, Don Martin, Jerry Overfelt, Loretta Reid, Riley Rickman, Bryan Schmidt, Kay Stevenson, Kendra Stevenson, Dee Wamble, and Joe Weber.

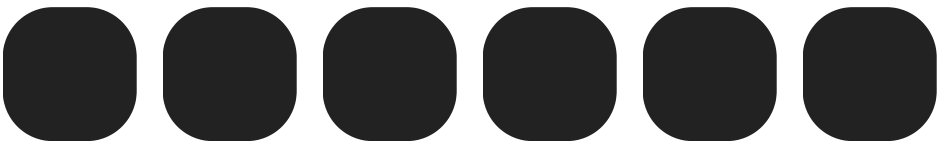
The technical directors for the Chancel Choir are Phil and Marge Elam.

The First United Methodist Church is located at 501 South Walnut in Dexter. For additional information contact the church at 624-3344.

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