

Song of Zoe – Guidelines

About Song of Zoe

Song of Zoe (Zoe is from Greek, meaning *life*) is a youth choir at Holy Covenant United Methodist Church for Jr. High/High School students grades 6th through 12th. The choir sings regularly for worship (Sunday Mornings, Wednesday evenings) and participates in an annual retreat, tour and other musical activities.

Communication

Keep informed of what's going on with Song of Zoe by checking to be sure you are on the Song of Zoe e-mail list (e-mail mj@holycov.org) and by joining the Song of Zoe facebook group.

Rehearsals

Rehearsals will begin at **4:00 p.m.** sharp and end at **4:55 p.m.** sharp.

Sunday Mornings

On Sundays when Song of Zoe is participating in worship, they will be singing at both services. Students should arrive at **7:50a.m.** for breakfast. Rehearsal will begin at **8:00a.m.**

Transportation

If a student is unable, within his or her own family, to secure transportation to events, there are willing adult volunteers who will provide transportation providing advance notice is given.

What We Do

Song of Zoe will have the opportunity to participate in three types of activities: **rehearsals**, **service opportunities**, and **celebrations**. Rehearsals allow the students time to build music making skills and gain a deeper understanding of the music and texts. Service Opportunities are any occasions when Song of Zoe is performing what they have learned in rehearsals (e.g., Sunday morning worship, Wednesday Encounter worship, festivals, outreach projects, etc.). Celebrations include parties, trips, or special educational/entertainment activities.

Absences

If you are unable to be present at any activity, please let the director know (mj@holycov.org or 281-352-2259).

Point System

To promote fairness and accountability, Song of Zoe participants will gain "points" for participation in rehearsals and service opportunities. Participation in celebrations or major trips will require that **80%** of possible points be earned. This semester, students may gain a total of **30 points**. For participation in the Summer Tour and the end-of-the-year celebration, **24 points** are required.

Uniform

The official uniform for Song of Zoe service opportunities is black bottoms and a solid colored shirt. Shoes should be worn (no flip flops).

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