

## The Gregorian Singers

### Auditions and Singer Information

The Gregorian Singers accept auditions throughout the year. We look for singers with clear voices, innate musicality with ability to "float" a musical line, a passion for early music as well as new works, ability to attend all rehearsals and events, and sympathy toward Christianity. For our 2010 - 2011 season, auditions may take place by appointment through June, and also on Tuesday evenings, August 24 and 31.

Auditions take twenty minutes; start with five-note scales, test for intervals and other aspects of music theory - including sight reading. They conclude with a solo of the singer's choice. Such solos may include an art song, chant, or other type of material.

If interested, please contact founder-director, **Monte Mason**, at **612-823-1688** or email at [mmmason@visi.com](mailto:mmmason@visi.com).

Auditions, rehearsals, and some of the performance events take place at St. Paul Church On The Hill, 1524 Summit Avenue, St. Paul.

#### **General Information:**

**-Rehearsals** - Tuesday evenings, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m., beginning September. No rehearsals or events in December.

**-Repertoire** - Mostly chant, early music, new music. In terms of early music, TGS has concentrated on chant, music from the Eton Choir Book, music of Tallis, Byrd, Guerrero, Buxtehude, Carrisimi. In the 20th - 21st centuries, emphasis has included Distler, Britten, Vaughan Williams, and works by local composers within and without the choir.

**-Personnel** - Majority volunteer, but there are six paid positions.

**-Choir Size** - 16 to 24, depending on season.

**-Season** - 38th season runs September through May. Note exception above.

**-Requirements** - Singer to provide own folder and vestments. These may be purchased, rented, or borrowed.

**-Performance dates** - See the website---[The Gregorian Singers](http://www.thegregoriansingers.com). Other dates will be added throughout the summer.