

Music Activities at 2018 FGC Gathering in Toledo

Noon Sings (40th year!): Sing your heart out for an hour – and avoid long lunch lines. Instruments welcome. On M, W & F we'll sing using the songbook *Rise Again* (copies available to borrow). Tu & Th we'll use *Rise Up Singing* - bring your own copy (copies available in bookstore). Led by Peter Blood-Patterson, Laura Dungan & others.

Noon-1:00 pm – daily (Monday-Friday) - Student Union Auditorium

Rounds: Sacred & secular, old & new. For both experienced & novice singers. Come to sing, learn new rounds from others and share yours. Led by Valerie Groszmann

1:30-3:00 pm – daily (Monday-Friday) - Mem Field House: 2200

Flute choir reading session: Open to all flutists. Some C flutes, alto and bass, music and stands provided. (bring your own flute if you have it!) Led by Amy Heritage

1:30-3:00 pm – Tuesday and Thursday - Mem Field House 1210

Renaissance & Medieval Choral Singing: Part singing of vocal music, mainly European, 13th-17th centuries, including chant, canon, chanson, madrigal, and motet. Minimal sight-singing ability or a good ear are welcome. Goal: hearing and performing beautiful music with joy. Led by LVM Shelton

3:15-4:15 pm - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - Mem Field House: 2200

Gathering of Songwriters: Come share original songs with other songwriters and give and receive feedback, if desired. Interested listeners also welcome. Led by Gale Rohde.

3:15-4:15 pm – Monday Mem Field House: 2230

Songs on What Friends Believe: Do you feel called to walk lightly over the Earth answering to that of the divine by singing? Come learn a new set of songs that seek to witness to social and environmental concerns and hold Others and all of Creation in the Light. The songs invite singing along and work well at social gatherings, intergenerational events, marches, rallies and preludes to worship sharing. Participants will leave knowing the tunes, carrying copies of the lyrics and having links to recordings of them for future reference. This is an intergenerational event and all instruments are welcome. Led by Gray Cox

3:15-4:15 pm – Wednesday Mem Field House: 2230

Shape note singing: Four-part a capella singing from *The Sacred Harp*. Bring a copy of *The Sacred Harp* if you have one. All are welcome. Led by: Paul Landskroener

3:15-5:30 pm – daily (Monday-Friday) Mem Field House: 1210

All Together Now - A Group Songwriting Experience: In this workshop award-winning songwriter Steve Deasy will lead a group through the steps of identifying a theme, developing language and music, and creating a song as a group. The entire process happens within one class session in a fast-paced, fun and inclusive experience. Steve facilitated this workshop experience at the 2018 Piedmont Friends Fellowship Spring Retreat, and a song was born. Attendees will brainstorm themes inspired by the gathering, sustainability, social justice, or stories from everyday life and move it into an artistic expression. Led by Steve Deasy

3:15-5:30 – Tuesday Mem Field House: 2230

Instrumental Jam Sessions: Music-making for all ages and abilities. We will play mostly old-time, Irish, and bluegrass but are open to whatever you bring to the group! Tunes tend to be in the keys of D, G, A, and C. All acoustic instruments welcome. Round robin format. Led by Sarah Tyrivier

4:30-5:30 pm – Tuesday (old-time), Thursday (Celtic) - Mem Field House: 2200

Harmonious Drumming/Rhythm Circle: Come help us make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Facilitator will bring a limited number of drums and rhythm instruments. (Bring same if you have them!) Led by Michael Klinger

4:30-5:30 pm on Tuesday - Mem Field House 1210 & 9:15-10:30 pm on Wednesday - Student Union: 2562

Nightingales singalongs: Nightingales (Northern YM songsters) have been singing together out of *Rise Up Singing* for over 30 years. Bring a copy of the *Rise Up Singing* if you have one! Led by Janet Hilliker & other Nightingales

9:15 pm - Monday and Wednesday – Student Union 3018

Final Sing: A wonderful way to close our week together! We'll accept requests from both *Rise Up Singing* and *Rise Again*. If you have a copy of either book bring it with you. Led by Peter Blood-Patterson, Laura Dungan & others.

9:15 pm – Friday - Student Union: 2582