



McDonald and Raney led the 275-member chorus in 3 rehearsals and the performance of their collaborative composition *Sing Christmas*. Many of the other singers were from church choirs who had worked with them in the past – coming from states such as Tennessee, Kansas, Missouri, Texas, Florida, Wyoming, etc. Tallmadge Lutheran Church was the only Ohio group participating!

McDonald conducted the performance of “*Sing Christmas*” with Raney at the piano, and both composers led the mass choirs in 10 hours of rehearsal throughout the weekend to prepare. It was such a moving experience to declare our faith for Christ while being led to musical excellence on the Cartwright Hall stage!

We will be singing selections from “*Sing Christmas*” at TLC during our worship services on Sunday, December 15, 2019 at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM. We invite any of our friends in the community to join us as we recreate this moving and musical experience.”



Bryon Black II pictured with
Mary McDonald (Composer/Conductor)



Sadie Eaton (TLC Pianist/Organist)
pictured with Joel Raney (Composer/Pianist)



TLC Chancel Choir pictured with Mary McDonald and Joel Raney. DCINY held brief autograph and group photo sessions with the composers for each performing group after rehearsals. We also received free “NYC Carnegie Hall 2019” t-shirts from Ritchie’s Sporting Goods in support of our trip!

Check out the story in the local paper [HERE](#) OR on [Facebook](#)