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Dear Singers & Friends of the Emmaus Chorale ~

I hope you all are enjoying this glorious summertime with your families and friends!

This email has two very important items for your consideration, and we need your responses as soon as possible to maintain our momentum!

1. **We plan to resume rehearsals on MONDAY, August 29 – note the return to MONDAY rehearsal night.** We will not be checking vaccination records and masks will be at your own discretion. We will do our best to social distance rehearsal seating. **Will you be joining us?** We need a tally of voice parts for Janet to finalize her selections for the Christmas program.
2. **We also are planning to partner with Faith Church on Sunday, September 19, at 3 pm for a hymn sing and ice cream social.** **May we count on your participation?** A bit more information to help you decide:
 - a. No additional rehearsals or special preparations are required; we just need a count of participants for seating in the choir loft.
 - b. There will be a free-will offering that will go to East Penn Neighbors in Need.
 - c. You can learn more about this organization through their website <http://www.epnhn.org/home.html>

Our Christmas concert is planned for Sunday, December 11 at 3 pm, with the dress rehearsal on the preceding Friday, December 8 at 7 pm.

Several of us have been working on weeding and reorganizing our music library which now will now be housed at Faith Presbyterian. Many thanks to Phyllis Gruber, one of the original members of the Emmaus Chorale, for her many years of service as the Chorale's librarian...and many thanks to Faith Presbyterian Church (especially Sally Heimbach!) for making this space available, and to Suzanne Seem and Nancy Keeler for their support during the 'move.'

Mary Ann Gill is undergoing a significant period of rehab after a bad fall which led to both right shoulder and knee surgery. No harm to her vocal cords & we hope she'll be back with us soon!

Do you have any photos of the chorale or even selfies you took at a post-concert reception? We need some for marketing purposes. If you are willing to share, please email them to Nancy Keeler at owlday@outlook.com. (You knew she was a keen birdwatcher, didn't you?!)

Have a glorious 4th of July!! 