

Hear everything from 'Bach to Blues' at annual concert

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With all the plans and shopping, the Christmas season can get stressful, says Bach to Blues Company member Luanne Griffin.

That's why Griffin invites the town to the company's annual Christmas concert on Saturday, Dec. 10.

"You can come out and relax," she said. "It's a lovely concert, we sing different versions of songs and carols, and it's a way to take your mind off the stress of Christmas for a while."

The concert features a 31 mixed-voice choir including director Ann Gage and accompanist Becky Windhager. Special guests include, lyric coloratura soprano Sasha Liebich-Tait and her husband, baritone Jonathan Liebich.

Running from 2:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican, tickets are \$15 in advance and \$25 at the door. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Peter Reed's family.

Reed was involved in a life-threatening multi-vehicle collision in Richmond Hill earlier in July. Since the company donates to local causes, it thought to help Reed's family this year.

"We take a vote to decide where the money goes," Griffin said. "The consensus this year was that it should go to Peter Reed's family."

The company has held annual Christmas concerts since 1998. The range of performances varies from classical compositions to modern pop songs. For the season, the company will perform various Christmas carols including "O Night Divine".

"The arrangement and tune is different and it's accompanied by Bach's Prelude in C Major," Griffin said.

Tickets can be bought from choir members at 905-640-2732, Barthau's Jewellers and Card's Appliances.

Share the joy, love and hope of this Christmas Season.

You, your family, neighbours and friends are invited to Stouffville United Church for this special time of year. There's lots going on you'll find uplifting and positive. Here are a few current activities for you to enjoy, featuring 2 Christmas Classics Concerts December 4, 3:30 & 7 PM and other events of the Christmas season at Stouffville United Church.

Stouffville United Music Concerts

presents:

2 Christmas Classics Concerts featuring live vocal and instrumental performers and audience interactive participation including Pipe Organ, Shout Sisters Choir, Django Djunkies and more.

Sunday, December 4
Matinee 3:30 PM • Evening 7:00 PM

Seating for 300 at each concert.
\$10 Adults. \$5 Students. \$25 Family.
Purchase at the door or inquire online at
www.Stouffvilleuc.ca

CALENDAR OF OTHER STOUFFVILLE UNITED ACTIVITIES

Friday December 2nd
6:15 Living Nativity – front of Latcham Gallery, Main Street.

Sunday December 4th – Advent 2
Worship begins at 10:30am.

Sunday December 4th –
"Warm up" Campaign wrap up
for Food Bank

"Warm up" Campaign "MST" - acronym for Mittens, Socks and Toques. Please be sure to include adults as well. Deposit your gifts in baskets up to December 4th in time

to distribute for the cold weather at church service or at either afternoon or evening concerts

Sunday December 4th - SUM Concerts - Christmas Classics Two shows - 3:30pm and 7pm

Seasonal music performed live. Net proceeds towards Stouffville United's Habitat Pledge, new church roof and Donations for the Food Bank. **Admission \$10 Adults, \$5 Students, \$25 Family. Sold at the door and in advance.** All are

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Monday December 5th
Beer and Hymns Christmas Edition – 8:00pm Lion Pub

Sunday December 11th – Advent 3
Worship begins at 10:30am. Choir Cantata. Guest Rev. Tina Conion

Sunday December 18th –
Worship begins at 10:30am.
Children's Christmas Pageant during service.

Wednesday December 21st
Blue Christmas –

7:00 pm in Friendship Room - a special time for people who do not find Christmas a happy time.

Saturday December 24th –
2 Christmas Eve services
6:30pm & 9pm Communion – all welcome.

Sunday December 25th -
Christmas Day Service
10:30 Celebration of Jesus birthday.

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