



## Salcombe Community Gospel Choir

We are available to sing at weddings in the Benefice. We do advise you to book as early as possible since we can only commit to around 5 weddings per year. All communication should be through the **Benefice Office** who will liaise with **Caroline Evans for you. Caroline Evans can be contacted on** – [cmbski@btinternet.com](mailto:cmbski@btinternet.com) or 07770 636 343. We hope you will find the information here helpful.

We are a fairly informal choir of around 50 members with the emphasis on enthusiasm and energy! We would normally expect at least 20-30 singers to be available for each wedding. We sit in the choir stalls but normally gather around the piano for songs during the signing of the register. We are happy to join in any hymns you have chosen so do let Caroline or the Benefice Office know in good time so that we can have a look at them. We recommend that you look at our current repertoire and then decide during which parts of your service you would like us to sing. We can sing at the **Entrance of the Bride**, during the **Signing of the register** and for the **Recessional**. Many couples choose organ music or recorded music for the 'Entrance of the bride' and/or for the 'Recessional.' We are happy to be as flexible as you would like. Should you want us to sing during the signing of the register we recommend that you choose 2 songs.

We ask that you choose from the list below. We appreciate that you may have a song that is significant for you and your partner but if it is not on our list it is unlikely that we will be able to learn it specifically for your wedding. However, a recording can be played through the church sound system. We hope you appreciate that we cannot learn new music for every wedding. As a local community choir we are made up of a cross-section of people, some retired, some working, young parents and local business owners. They all give their time to the Gospel choir and rehearse regularly but many are extremely busy during the summer. Because of this we commit ourselves to only five weddings and one charity concert each year, as well as supporting a number of community events. Our rehearsals are filled with learning Gospel songs, and preparing for these events.

You can have a look at our website 'Salcombe Community Gospel Choir'. If you click on 'What's on' you will find a schedule of rehearsals and you are welcome to turn up at one of these to hear us practising. If you click on 'performance' you will be able to listen to some (amateur!) recordings of us. We do have an old CD which is available to buy or borrow, but it is out of date and the choir has moved on somewhat since it was recorded. We plan to update this in the near future. Also on the 'What's On' page you will find the dates of some concerts that we are doing this year and if you get the opportunity we highly recommend you attend one of these to hear us at our best. There is also a 'weddings' page on the website for a little more information.

Our wedding fee is £200.00 and should be made in advance to the Benefice Office please. We need some extra 'Order of Service' sheets for the choir (about 15 – 20 please) but these can of course be cheap photocopies.

### **Songs for Weddings**

Ain't No Mountain High Enough

Let it Be (Beatles)

Lean on Me (Bill Withers)

O Happy Day

Lovely Day (Bill Withers)

All you Need is Love (Beatles)

Lift up Mine Eyes to the Hills

Bless the Lord

Bring Me Little Water Silvy

Total Praise

We Praise You O Lord

When I Call (Geraldine Latty)

In the Morning (Geraldine Latty)

Soon and Very Soon (Geraldine Latty)

Let Everything that has Breath (Geraldine Latty)

### **Songs that are also in our repertoire**

Kumbaya, Hold On, Something Inside so Strong, Amazing Grace & Kwaze Kwaze