

Welcome to our choir!

Thanks for completing your registration and welcome to the choir – we're glad you've come to join us! Here are a few things to help you get started.

## 1. Communication

### Keeping in touch with you

You'll find most of the information you need about rehearsals and gigs etc on the BCGC website.

We will also send you emails from the admin team about choir business. We understand that modern life can contain too much admin so we try to keep email traffic to a minimum. We will never share your contact details with anyone else and will only email you about choir business. If you'd like to know more about our data policy, you'll find it on our website.

### If you want to contact us

Your first port of call is John Ward, the choir administrator. His contact details are:-

E: [admin@bathcommunitygospelchoir.com](mailto:admin@bathcommunitygospelchoir.com)

Tel: 01225 776 553 / Mob. 0752 7706 094

John can help with most choir issues and can also forward messages to Jo, the choir Director.

### If you have problems with your online membership

Please use the 'Contact' tab on the choir website to contact Graham, our website manager, who will be happy to help.

## 2. Learning Songs

We sing from memory in our concerts and help the memorising process by learning 'by rote' in rehearsals. Learning tracks and lyric sheets to help you practice at home are available in the Members area of the choir website. These are uploaded as and when they are completed and we will email you to let you know when new content is available.

## 3. Concert Dress: Our usual concert dress is:-

- Black trousers or black skirt with black tights
- Smart black shoes (no trainers)
- Red BCGC concert shirt (these can be ordered at rehearsal)

**Ladies:** A bit of 'bling' on stage is great. Feel free to wear jewellery (necklaces etc) but please avoid accessorising the shirt itself with scarves, large brooches, ties and thick beads as they break up the flow of red!

Sample shirts are available at rehearsal for you to try on before ordering. From time to time, we may wear other things for performances depending on the circumstances (weddings, outdoor gigs etc) but we will let you know about that as necessary.

#### 4. BCGC on Social Media

**Facebook** - we have two Facebook pages, one that's for BCGC members only and a public page for promoting the choir in general.

**BCGC Members Facebook:** For rehearsal notices, reminders and general friendly choir chat. Simply sign into Facebook and go to the link below to join the group.

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/238656032824867/>

If, at some point, you decide to leave the choir, you are welcome to stay connected with the BCGC community, or click the 'cog' sign on the top right and you'll see an option to 'Leave Group'.

**BCGC PUBLIC Facebook:** This is the public face of BCGC and the page is used for official gig notices and links to new photos or videos of the choir for our growing fan-base! Feel free to like the page, invite your friends and family and shout all about us! For general choir-member chat though, please join the members group above.

This is page at: <https://www.facebook.com/BathCommunityGospelChoir>

**Finally – do you Tweet?** BCGC has a Twitter account. We'll be using it to keep everyone updated on hot news and important announcements. You can follow us at: [@BathGospel](https://twitter.com/BathGospel).

If you have any social-media queries, or if we can help you in any way, please get in touch. We hope you enjoy being in the choir.

See you next week.  
Best wishes



**John Ward**  
**BCGC Administrator**