

A New Year

By Irene Rose



2017

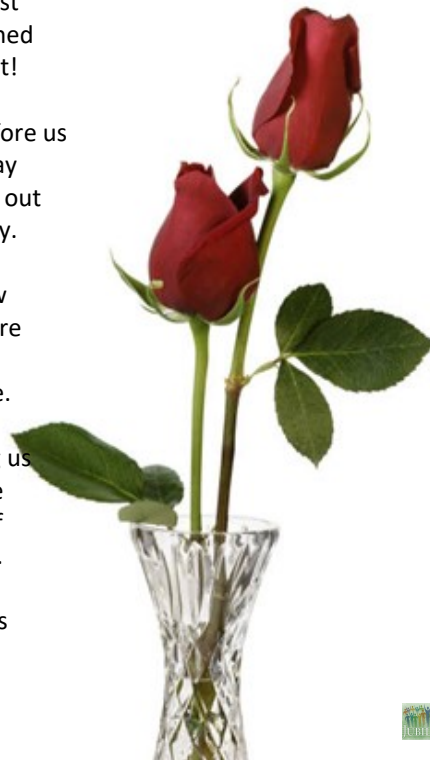
The New Year is upon us
The old year in the past
Reviewing lessons learned
That hopefully will last!

The time now stretched before us
With good intentions lay
Accomplishments to play out
Rather than fritter away.

The joy in starting new
Leaves us time to explore
Talents we possess
We've not used before.

The New Year may bring us
Some fortune or fame
With the possibility of
Times of joy and pain.

A blank page before us
To write upon
And fill up our page
As we soldier on!



It's God's Economy

by Marc Sammartano



Music, service, and fellowship. Each of us sings, together we create beauty and mystery beyond what any one of us can do alone. Each of us serves, together we can touch people in ways we could not do separately. When we come together in fellowship, we celebrate what we can do together.

No matter where we sing, people remember it as a great experience. It might be in a church service, where Arturo works with the pastor or music minister to select music that adds to the message of the service and deepens the experience for the congregation. It might be at a senior care facility

or a memory unit, where our music brings the past to life and life to all present. It might be at a restaurant after a rehearsal or concert, where our doxology, an impromptu mini-concert, or a six-part "Happy Birthday" surprises and delights the other patrons.

This is "God's economy": when we give of ourselves, we have more than we started with. Nothing in my life demonstrates God's economy more than singing with Jubilate! Sacred Singers.

There are a lot of choirs and choruses in and around Boulder, but there is no other that does what we do. What sets us apart from the rest is our commitment: to meaningful music of the highest quality, to every one of the people we serve, and to each other. Music, service, and fellowship. If everyone around us knew what we have, Balfour Lodge would be bursting at the seams every Thursday night.

It is 2017, a new year. This is the Year the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!



Upcoming Performances

February

11 Sunrise Retirement Living, 2 pm
[3955 28th St, Boulder, CO 80301](http://3955-28th-st-boulder-co-80301)

March

11 Brahms Requiem
United Church of Christ, Longmont
[1500 9th Ave, Longmont, CO 80501](http://1500-9th-ave-longmont-co-80501)

12 Brahms Requiem
United Methodist Church, Arvada
[6750 Carr St, Arvada, CO 80004](http://6750-carr-st-arvada-co-80004)

Times will be announced.
Both concerts feature Jubilate Sacred Singers, The Arvada Chorale and the Flatirons Orchestra

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Jubilate! Celebrates Our Mission

By a Jubilate! member

"Sing to the Lord a new song...make music to Him...for the Lord takes delight in his people...Sing for joy...Praise Him with the sounding of the trumpet...with harp and lyre...with tambourine and dancing...with strings and flute...with the clash of cymbals. Let [each of us] who has breath [and voice] praise the Lord." Psalms 149 and 150

At the presidential inauguration ceremony, the Missouri State University Chorale sang "Now We Belong." It was a great sound, and reminded me that for many years, we have belonged to Jubilate! Sacred Singers, not JSS, [sic]. We belong not only as individual singers (and we all know which part is the most significant) but also as a group... singing from *Bonse Aba* to *Down in The River to Pray* to *Brahms Requiem*. What a repertoire we have! We have welcomed the harp, strings, flute, and drums. Well, I don't remember cymbals ever being part of Jubilate Singers [sic]. We have been the Salt and Light for audiences literally from coast to coast.

We say 'hello' to each other, to our audience members, to our supporters. What a joy it was to say 'hello' to 17 former Jubilate members when we gathered for the tribute to Jack Lawrence. We said 'hello' to forty Presbyterians when we sang for Nautical Mariners. Adele has five Grammy Award nominations. Included in these is her Number One hit..."HELLO." It's just one word we can share with the Concierge at Balfour, the person next to us in church, the person in line behind us at the grocery store. Grandin hands out more Jubilate business cards than I can count. It's a great way to say 'hello' and possibly say a great word or two about Jubilate!

And, sometimes we say 'so long' either on a temporary or permanent basis. I think of Doug, Jack, Jamela, Jamie, Jan, Jane, Janet, Jason, Jeanne, Karen, Linda, Matt, Michelle, Nancy, Pat, Sheri, Shirley, Susan, Toni...and maybe others I have not included, who have provided talent and support over the years. What a great Jubilate family.

Make It Matter is the current sermon series at Ascent Community Church. With our voices raised together, we can Sing to the Lord a new song... and praise the Lord. And, we CAN make it matter.

On The Historic Road Again

By Tom Boyd



Tom Boyd

On Christmas Day, Jack Lawrence, our beloved elder statesman, punster, and charter member passed away at the age of 95. Even though Jack was the oldest member of the group, he was always seemed young for his age and never missed a step on all our tours, overnight retreats, and other activities.

On January 14, 35 past and present Jubilate members joined with nine other members of Chancel Choir to sing for his memorial service. Jack was blessed with musical talent and was active not only with Jubilate! Sacred Singers, but also with the chancel choir and bell choir at First Presbyterian Church in Boulder well into his 80s. He loved music, and we fondly remember how he would go "Pentecostal" when we performed *Ain't Got Time to Die*, one of his favorites.



Jack will be missed. Our sincerest condolences to his wife Sally and the rest of the Lawrence family.

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