



**Bella  
Lumina**  
spreading light, hope & joy  
through song

*Thank you for your interest in Bella Lumina!*

# THINGS TO KNOW

2026-2027 — Bella Lumina's 9th Season

## Mission

Bella Lumina spreads light, hope, and joy through the power of song. Our repertoire of high artistic quality delivers a powerful message through illuminating texts and inspirational arrangements that showcase the extraordinary beauty of treble voices.

## Vision

We bring our voices together in song to inspire our members, our audiences and our world.

It is our desire to fill one another with light, hope and joy in our formal concerts and in our outreach to the community through singing a variety of musical genres and styles.

We believe the human spirit thrives when working in community toward something that is bigger than our individual selves and when hearts are connected through the beauty of music.

## Contact Information

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## Rehearsal Information

Mondays: 6:45 - 8:45 PM — With some extra rehearsal time during concert preparation weeks.

Gethsemane Lutheran Church  
715 Minnetonka Mills Road  
Hopkins, MN 55343

Three yearly singing sessions: FALL, WINTER and SPRING.

## Choir Member Fees

\$100\* per session; total of \$300\* per year  
*\*subject to change.*

## Repertoire

Bella Lumina strives to sing an eclectic mix of choral repertoire for treble voices. We are NOT a sacred or religious choir (although we may sing music of this genre and may sing at churches in the community) and we are

NOT a show choir that does choreography and costumes. Music is chosen with attention to texts and compositions that empower and uplift the soulful human experience.

## Concerts 2026-2027

This season will have three concerts, a holiday community outreach, plus a special summer offering!

## Concert Attire

May vary per year. Concert BLACK of your choice and matching blue necklace.

## Home Practice & Sectionals

YouTube and mp3 practice links provided for home practice on the password-protected member tab of our website. Small group sectionals during rehearsal are common.

## Memorization of Music

Most concerts will have a mix of performing with music and by memory.

## Calendar

Our singing year runs from September through May.

## Bella Board

We are a non-profit, board-run, member-sustained group.

## Attendance

We hope that for any period of 9-12 weeks that lead up to a big concert that you would only miss three rehearsals maximum. But we also know life happens! We try our best to stay committed to our Monday evening rehearsals. We are only as good in performance as we are in our rehearsals! Note: we have an "anticipated" absence calendar on the password-protected member tab of our website.

## Auditions

Singers who audition for Bella Lumina will be accepted based on vocal tone quality, ability to blend, and ability to read music. Auditions include: song of choice, sight-singing, and vocalizations.