

January 2020

Dear Handbell Directors and Ringers:

Greetings again from the Board of Directors of the Lansing Area Ministry of Bells! Enclosed are registration materials and information for the 36th Annual *Spring Ring* on **Saturday, March 21**. If you have any questions, please call LAMB Secretary Lorraine Finison at (517) 321-3221 (home) or 719-2277 (cell), or e-mail BellGoddess@hotmail.com.

The *Spring Ring* will again be at South Church in west Lansing (Delta Township). The church is south of Waverly Middle School, just off Snow Rd. on Cornerstone Dr., immediately south of the I-496 expressway. We'll be in the gym again this year.

We will include the schedule for the day in the confirmation letter which will be sent in mid-March to registered choirs. Lunch will be "on your own"--there are many restaurants and fast food establishments a few minutes away.

On our website, www.capitalcityringers.com/lamb.htm, you will find all *Spring Ring* documents as they become available, in case you need them.

The deadline for registration is March 8. The fee is **\$15** per person. **Please do not wait to register.** It helps us plan if we have approximate registration figures early. We have always refunded registration fees if we are notified prior to the date of the *Spring Ring*. And, you may add ringers at any time, so don't hesitate! Register **soon**!

Please help us to break even on this event by bringing as many from your choir as possible. Please don't feel that you must have your entire choir in order to participate. Each paid attendee helps us to meet our expenses, which are considerable for the conductor, clinicians, musicians and facility rental.

On the registration form, let us know if your choir would like to perform a solo number in the concert. If you or an **advanced** ringer from your choir would like to ring Benjamin Tucker's arrangement of *Wade in the Water* in the Directors'/Advanced Ringers' Double Choir, please indicate that on the registration form, also.

Our conductor is Brenda Austin, the Director of Worship and Music at First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids and the Artistic Director for the Detroit Handbell Ensemble. Two of her many compositions/arrangements are included in the *Spring Ring* repertoire. We welcome Brenda to the *Spring Ring* podium!

If you do not have your music yet, Jeffers Handbell Supply and other music vendors have the repertoire available.

The LAMB Board of Directors

P.S. If you are interested in serving on the LAMB Board as President-Elect, let us know!