



Sonflower Ringers

Do you like music? Have you ever wanted to play an instrument?

How about handbells???

Sonflower Ringers is a handbell choir program at the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection designed for youth and adults with special needs.

We are offering this program to youth and young adults who are at least 14 years of age and are willing to commit the time and effort to participate in a weekly rehearsal 9 months of the year. This is a music education program designed for people who love music but are unable to read music in the traditional format.



To successfully participate in the program, Ringers should know or be able to learn the following:

- * Letters, single digit numbers and colors; also recognize them on sight.
- * How to play a handbell or hand chime - there is some physical coordination involved. Practice, practice, practice!
- * To play on cue - the cue being a letter or number of a certain color.
- * To focus on and follow the director as he or she directs from the scroll – our version of written music.

Rehearsals are 1 ¼ hours per week. Our season is from August to early December and mid-January through early May. It takes every bell to make a song so attendance is very important.

Our handbell choir performs songs from the sacred to the secular several times a year for community audiences. We have two concerts each year for family and friends (did someone say PARTY?)

Our directors are well-trained handbell musicians who have worked for years with individuals with special needs. The current directors founded the program 15 years ago.

Sonflower Ringers have been playing together for 15 years and most of our ringers have been with us for 13-15 years.

There is no cost to join Sonflower Ringers.

If you or someone you know is interested in this opportunity, please contact Beverly Williamson at 913-548-2729 or Williamson.bev@gmail.com