**“CONNOR BIG SING” - LISBURN CATHEDRAL**

Contemporary Christian Music Training Afternoon & Evening Praise Service

**2.30 pm on Sunday 16th September 2018**

The Dean and Chapter at Lisburn Cathedral would like to invite those interested in learning more about Contemporary Christian Music to a Sunday afternoon training and evening Praise Service at Lisburn Cathedral.

The Facilitators for the training will be the Cathedral’s Director of Music - Mr Stephen McLoughlin and the leader of the Lisburn Community Choir and Children’s Choir - Mrs Julie Harper.

Stephen McLoughlin will train musicians on how to approach new contemporary songs and on the coordination of music groups. Julie Harper will train the singers (sopranos and altos) and Mark Tilley (co-leader of the Lisburn Community Choir) will train the tenors and basses. Julie will also cover vocal training exercises, posture and communication. Each church group would then hopefully feel more equipped to go back with confidence to use much more varied musical material.

The first “Connor Big Sing” last year was a joyous day of praise and celebration for all who were involved and our desire is to build on the success of that event. Everyone who has an interest in contemporary Christian music from Musicians, Praise Groups, Choirs, Musical Directors and Clergy would be most welcome to participate in the "Connor Big Sing”.

During the training afternoon we will teach contemporary Christian worship songs, which will be included in the evening Praise Service. In addition to the training a new pack of materials from the “Connor Big Sing” 2018 will be provided including band and vocal arrangements for the worship songs.

The Evening Praise Service at 6.30pm will be open to everyone. (It may be that some churches suggest to their parishioners to attend “Connor Big Sing” instead of holding their usual evening service on that Sunday)

The Dean and Chapter members at Lisburn Cathedral invited singers, musicians and clergy from across the Diocese to “Connor Big Sing” 2018. It is our desire to contribute to the worshipping life of the Diocese by providing this training day in contemporary Christian music followed by an Evening Praise Service.

The collection received during the Evening Praise Service will assist with the cost of the day. Please see the attached timetable and Booking form, which we would ask you to complete and return by 31st August 2018.

Yours in His service.

Sam Wright.

Dean of Connor.

**CONNOR BIG SING - Sunday 16th September 2018**

2.30pm Coffee in the Cathedral.

2.45pm WORKSHOPS.

 A. Instrumental - Stephen

 B. Choral - Mark (Tenors & Basses), Julie (Sopranos & Altos)

4.00pm All Together Practice Time

5.30pm Tea/Coffee and Sandwiches (provided free of charge)

6.30pm Connor Big Sing Praise Service

There is limited car parking space at Lisburn Cathedral, I recommend parking in the large car park on Linenhall St, Lisburn BT28 1LU, UK. It is a short walk when you cross the road to Market Lane (It is between the Health Centre and the Pharmacy), then proceed up the lane, to Market Square, at the top on the right a further 100 yards are the main gates to Lisburn Cathedral.

Please complete the booking form below and return to: The Administrator, “Connor Big Sing”, Cathedral Office, 24A Castle Street, Lisburn, BT27 4XP or by email: Garvin.Jess@lisburncathedral.org

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CHURCH St Hildas

What instrument do you play? Banjo

Are you a Soprano, Alto, Tenor or Bass? ……………………………….

Are you a lead vocalist or music group member? Music group

**Please return form by 31st August 2018.**