



**John Naylor** was a chorister at Durham and a scholar at Rossall School. He was a choral scholar at St John's College, Cambridge and trained with the great Dr George Guest before singing

with the Monteverdi Choir, The Chapel Royal Choir at HM Tower of London and The Academy of St Martin in the Fields.

John is Music Director of Nantwich Choral Society and The Lydian Singers and he also conducts The Open University Chapel Choir.

He has conducted choirs in most of the cathedrals in this country and is one of the region's most experienced choral directors. He is particularly noted for his friendly encouragement of singers of all ages and all abilities.



**Simon Russell** is a former Organ Scholar of St Catherine's College Cambridge and Assistant Organist of Chester Cathedral. He is currently the Northern Region Coordinator for the RSCM, Organist at St

Mary's Nantwich and is the regular accompanist for NCS.



### Repertoire

NCS performs a wide range of choral works ranging from Baroque masterpieces to world premieres of contemporary composers, either *a capella* or with accompaniment ranging from piano or organ to brass consort or with one of the associated fully professional orchestras – The Northern Concordia Orchestra and the Nantwich Sinfonia.

### Rehearsals

Rehearsals are held at 7.30pm each Wednesday during term time at the Nantwich Methodist Church, Hospital Street, Nantwich, CW5 5RP. The Church provides comfortable facilities and seating and there are car parks nearby.

New members are assured of a genuinely friendly and supportive welcome and the first term's membership is free of charge. For further information please visit our website:

<http://nantwichchoral.org.uk>  
or contact us by email at  
[enquiries@nantwichchoral.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@nantwichchoral.org.uk)

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# NANTWICH CHORAL SOCIETY

## Concert Dates and Events

### 2018 - 2019

Music Director  
John Naylor

Accompanist  
Simon Russell

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
St Boniface Church, Bunbury

**Singing Day**  
**European Choral Music**

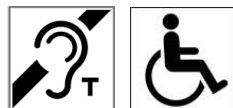
We begin another exciting new season with our customary **Singing Day**, on this occasion in the lovely church of St Boniface Bunbury. We'll be exploring a veritable treasure trove of **European Choral Music** in the edition edited by John Rutter – a wonderful opportunity to relax and sing some truly glorious music in beautiful surroundings

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2019  
St Mary's Church Nantwich

**Come and Sing**  
**Messiah**

In February, there will be another eagerly awaited opportunity for singers to join us for the day in our biannual 'Come and Sing' performance of **Messiah**, complete with orchestra and young soloists. This has proved extremely popular and enjoyable for singers and audience alike – a special occasion not to be missed.

St Mary's Church, Nantwich:



Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 7.30 pm  
St Mary's Church Nantwich

**The Armed Man – Karl Jenkins**  
**For the Fallen – C B Rootham**  
**Greater Love – John Ireland**  
with

The Northern Concordia Ensemble

To commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ending of the 1914-18 War, our autumn concert will feature Karl Jenkins' famous '**Mass for Peace - The Armed Man**'. Also included in the programme will be a rare performance of the original setting by Cyril Rootham of Binyon's poem '**For the Fallen**' and John Ireland's '**Greater Love**', both with specially prepared orchestrations.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 7.30 pm  
St Mary's Church Nantwich

**Elgar**  
**The Music Makers**  
**The Banner of St George**

In March we will perform Elgar's lovely cantata '**The Music Makers**' - sometimes regarded as an occasion to spot the many quotations in it from his earlier works. Also included in the programme will be Elgar's '**The Banner of St George**', written to celebrate Queen Victoria's Jubilee year of 1897.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2018, 6.30 pm  
St Mary's Church Nantwich

**Family Carol Concert**  
with  
Nantwich Young Voices

Our ever popular **Family Christmas Concert**, featuring Nantwich Young Voices will include carols old and new (some specially composed for us), excerpts from Messiah and a chance for everyone join in the Christmas spirit by singing well known audience carols.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019, 7.30 pm  
St Mary's Church Nantwich

**The Rio Grande – Constant Lambert**  
**Liebeslieder Walzer – Brahms**

Our summer concert will feature the contrasting '**Liebeslieder Walzer**' by Brahms and Constant Lambert's setting of '**The Rio Grande**', a poem by Sacheverell Sitwell which combines jazz, ragtime and Brazilian influences with a traditional English choral sound and revels in the composer's fascination with the exotic.

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