

Adoremus Audition Packet

Thank you for your interest in auditioning for Adoremus! This packet contains information that will be helpful to you as you prepare for your audition with us. This page contains practical information about us, such as what we do, how often we practice, and a list of what you will need to prepare for your audition. The second page of this packet contains information about what we believe--our statement of faith. Finally, we have included a brief questionnaire for you to complete and bring to your audition.

What we do

Adoremus is a Christian a cappella group. We sing songs that praise our Father without using any instruments. As members of Adoremus, we:

1. Practice three times a week. Two of these rehearsals are three hours long and involve a time of worship as well as rehearsals. The third rehearsal is a one hour long sectional where all the guys or girls get together separately to work on their parts. The average time commitment is seven hours per week.
2. Sing on campus. In addition to hosting a semester-end concert, we regularly sing in performing arts shows (like the O-show) and other events. Occasionally, we sing somewhere on campus for no other reason than simply to praise God.
3. Sing off campus. Several times a year, we will sing off campus at churches, other colleges, and local community events or gatherings. As with singing on campus, weekly rehearsals may be reduced to compensate for concerts with a high time commitment.
4. Study God's word. Each year, our group reads a Christian study book to help us learn more about worship and witnessing through an a cappella ministry.
5. Go on retreats. Once a year, we will take a retreat to a location outside of Baltimore to fellowship and spend time with one another. This retreat is typically during one of the weekends in the fall semester. We will leave on Friday and return Saturday night.

Still interested?

Then you definitely want to audition! After you sign up (or email adoremus@jhu.edu for an audition slot), you'll want to know what to prepare for your audition. Generally the audition consists of the following:

1. Introductions, so you can meet the rest of the group.
2. Collecting your responses to the questionnaire on page three.
3. Some warm-up exercises to make you feel comfortable. These are sung with the rest of the group.
4. Vocal exercises to test your range and blending.
5. A short sight-singing piece.
6. A solo piece; this can be sacred or secular, as long as you enjoy singing it!
7. A short question and answer session, both for you and for us.

"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say 'no' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age." (Titus 2:11-12)

Statement of Faith

“The time of singing has come.” (Song of Songs 2:12)

ADOREMUS is a body of believers committed to: 1) praising and worshipping God through music, and 2) spreading God’s word to Johns Hopkins University and the world.

WE BELIEVE IN...

GOD -In one God, the Creator and Sustainer of all things, infinite and unfailing in love, perfect in judgment and unchanging in mercy. God exists as a trinity---Father, Son and Holy Spirit--for eternity.

JESUS CHRIST- Jesus is God’s only Son, born of flesh to a virgin mother. He was crucified for sins of all, bearing God’s wrath for our behalf. He rose from the dead and ascended to heaven, where he sits at God’s right hand and continues to Intercede for us.

HOLY SPIRIT - The Holy Spirit is given to us by God and is both present and active today. By the Spirit, Christ lives in the church, the gospel is proclaimed, and the kingdom of God is manifested in the world.

SCRIPTURE - His truth is spoken through the scriptures --we believe in the divine inspiration, truthfulness and authority of both Old and New Testaments, the only written word of God.

PRAYER- Prayer is essential to establish and develop a strong relationship with God. We are called to pray continually in the Spirit, for this is God’s will for His people. Prayer is a powerful tool for unifying believers in His Spirit. Through prayer, we speak directly to God and He loves to listen to us.

CHURCH - The church is composed of the people of God--that is, believers in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. The church is Christ’s body, where people hear the Word and live in faith as His disciples.

CHRISTIANS IN SOCIETY- Christians are called by God to live as witness of His grace through Jesus Christ. In this world, Christians are God’s redeemed community, embodying His love by worshipping Him through repentance, praise and prayer. His people are to proclaim the gospel of God’s redemptive love to the ends of the earth by word and deed and care of all of God’s creation, actively serving and seeking the people around us.

RETURN OF CHRIST - Jesus Christ will return to earth -visibly, personally, unexpectedly- in power and great glory, to judge the nations, raise the dead, gather His chosen and bring His kingdom into fulfillment.

GOD’S ULTIMATE VICTORY - Satan, sin and evil powers exist. However, God has defeated the enemy by the cross of Jesus Christ.

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples.(Psalm 96:1-3)

We believe in the following:

Prayer. 1 Timothy 2:1-6, Colossians 4:2, Matthew 26:41, Ephesians 6:18

God's Word. Joshua 1:8-9, 2 Timothy 3:12-17, 1 Timothy 4:13-16

Church and Fellowship. Hebrews 10:24-25, Matthew 18:20, Luke 24:15, 1 Corinthians 1:10

Discipleship and Evangelism. Matthew 28:18-20, 2 Timothy 4:1-5, 1 Peter 3:15, Proverbs 11:30, Romans 1:16-17, Colossians 3:1-7, Colossians 4:2-6

Giving. 2 Corinthians 9:7, Proverbs 11:24

*Please take time to consider these verses as you pray about membership, then answer the questions below. Please take time to answer all the questions **in detail** on a separate sheet of paper.*

1. How did you come to believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?
2. How would you describe your relationship with Jesus this past year?
3. What Scriptures have been most important to your growth as a Christian this past year? Why?
4. What difference has prayer made in your life?
5. Do you regularly worship in a local church? What is important to you when deciding on a church to attend?
6. What do you believe Godly worship entails?
7. Our vision is to 1) praise and worship God with sincere and passionate hearts, 2) share His love and Word through song and life, and 3) grow corporately in a discipleship setting. In what ways can you contribute to such a group?
8. In keeping important commitments, how do you budget your time? Is this and will this be a difficult task for you concerning Adoremus?

Then Jesus came to them and said, all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. (Matthew 28:18-20)