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## *Mission Statement*

Called together by our love of singing, the Springfield Mid-America Singers are devoted to enriching the community through excellence in choral music. Our central goals include involving people in choral music as a community, teaching singing as a life-long activity, and artistically expressing and uplifting the human spirit through choral music.

### *Tom Matrone, Artistic Director*

Tom Matrone is beginning his seventh year as conductor and Artistic Director of the Springfield Mid-America Singers. In his appointment he has elevated the singers with his organizational skills and wealth of conducting and education experience. Matrone has endeavoured to infuse the choral art within the community at large for the purpose of choral awareness and education.

Tom is a graduate of Northwest University (B.A. Biblical Studies) and Drake University (Master of Music, Choral Conducting). He is completing a doctorate in Choral Conducting at the University of South Carolina.

Matrone is the Chair of the Music Department and Director of Choral Studies at Evangel University.



# WE HAVE A *Story* TO TELL

## SPRINGFIELD MID-AMERICA *Singers*



CONCERT SEASON  
2016 - 2017

### *"Israel in Egypt"*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 3:00 PM  
Schweitzer United Methodist Church

### *Carol of the Angels*

Featuring the music of Vivaldi, Saint-Saens, Britten  
and Rutter

TUESDAY DECEMBER 6, 7:30 PM  
All Saints Anglican Church

### *The Rest of the Story*

Lesser known works of the great composers  
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26, 3:00 PM  
Barnett Recital Hall - at Evangel University

### *The Story Never Ends*

SUNDAY APRIL 30, 3:00 PM  
Redeemer Lutheran Church



For the past 49 years, the *Springfield Mid-America Singers* have had the central goal of engaging people in the community in the magic of choral music, endeavoring to touch the soul with our singing. We continue that tradition this season with music that tells a story ...

While our concerts are offered free to the public, we need your support to continue the choral arts. As we plan our upcoming 50th Year Anniversary, we value any contribution toward our plans for a grand celebration to be shared with the public!

Support the singers' unique artistic contributions to our community with a donation at the following levels, and receive the listed benefits. SMAS is a 501(c)3 organization.

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