The Pacific Lutheran University School of Arts and Communication and the Department of Music are pleased to announce the University Chorale 2013 Spring Tour. The tour includes a performance at First Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood on Saturday, April 20th at 7:30pm. The address of the church is 100 Saddle Road in Ketchum. Admission is free (an offering will be taken). The concert program will feature music spanning several centuries and genres, including works by Edvard Grieg, Felix Mendelssohn, Stephen Paulus, Moses Hogan and Eric Whitacre.

The Pacific Lutheran University Chorale is a mixed choir comprised primarily—though not exclusively—of freshmen and sophomore singers representing a variety of academic disciplines. The choir meets four days a week for a ninety-minute rehearsal and sings many times each year in concerts, tours, and campus ministry events. The choir tours regionally and appears on PLU Christmas compact discs.

The Chorale has recently performed for conferences of the Washington Music Educators Association (2010) and American Choral Directors Association (2006). In March 2012, the ensemble performed for the ACDA Northwest Division Conference.

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