PRESS RELEASE

Potential members of ASSABET VALLEY MASTERSINGERS will be welcomed at open rehearsals on Monday, August 30th and Tuesday, September 7^{th...} Rehearsal times for these dates and all regular Monday practices to follow will be from 7:30 until 9:45 PM at St. Rose of Lima Parish, 244 Main Street, Northborough, MA. AVM offers a choral experience in a community of welcoming, inclusive, respectful, collegial and talented vocalists who value high artistic standards.

Preparation will begin for the first concert—<u>Songs of Unity</u>—with orchestra and soloists on Saturday, October 30, featuring *Unity in Diversity* by Cynthia Lee Wong, commissioned by AVM in honor of its 40thanniversary; *LUX:The Dawn From On High* by Dan Forrest, exploring ancient liturgical chant, scripture, and modern secular love poetry; Oliver Caplan's *We Exist*, the lyrics of which respond to the 2017 violence in Charlottesville, Virginia...honoring all races, faiths and all genders.

Cone early so that you can meet the Membership chair, Deb Wallace and section leaders, and get music prior to rehearsal.

AVM believes individuals perform best when working together in a supportive, encouraging, and non-competitive environment.

For more information, visit Sing with Us! www.avmsingers.org/sing-with-us!

The ASSABET VALLEY MASTERSINGERS chorus, directed by founder Dr. Robert P. Eaton, has gained a reputation for musical excellence and unusual programming.

Thank you, Jane Long, Publicity Assabet Valley Mastersingers