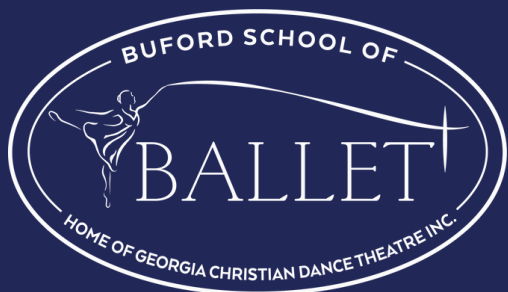


Georgia Christian Dance Theatre presents



Star of WONDER 2025

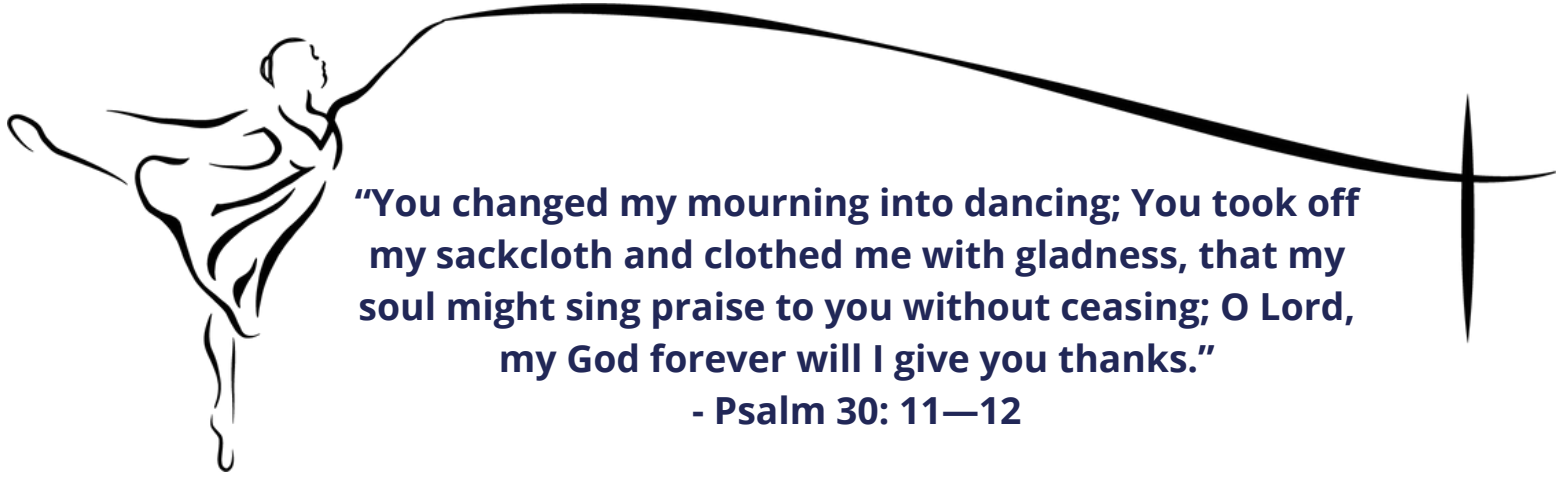


Held at Gas South Theater

*"When they saw the star they
were overjoyed"*
-Matthew 2:10

Saturday, November 8th,
at 10AM & 2PM

Sunday, November 9th,
at 2PM



**"You changed my mourning into dancing; You took off
my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my
soul might sing praise to you without ceasing; O Lord,
my God forever will I give you thanks."**

- Psalm 30: 11—12

Dearest Friends,

We are excited and pleased to welcome you to Georgia Christian Dance Theatre's 30th-anniversary performance of Star of Wonder! We want to thank you for giving us the opportunity to share with you the true meaning of Christmas; the birth of Jesus.

This show has become a rich, beautiful tradition at GCDT and we enjoy sharing this message with our Buford School of Ballet family. We wish you all the hope, peace, joy, and love of Christ in your hearts always.

I hope you enjoy the show!

Best Wishes this Christmas Season,

Savannah Botts

Artistic Director

Buford School of Ballet, Georgia Christian Dance Theatre, Inc.



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~ Act 1 ~ Nutcracker Excerpts

Music composed by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Choreography by Andrea Pell, Sarah Symons, & Mary Grace Campbell

Jingle Bells

(SATURDAY 10:00) Kate Dukes, Louise Graham, Rey Kinoshita, Olivia Leggett, Felicity Milone, Ellie Park, Fallon Phillips, Hallie Puckett, Meadow Wigner, Willow Wigner

(SATURDAY 2:00) Josephine Adams, Elaine Ampomah, Jordan Bowles, Cadence Clay, Eloise Darling, Emery Grimes, Havana Martin-Dietrich, Chloe Moulton, Peyton Palmer, Natalie Reiter, Aitana Suarez, Kirsten Turner, Elena Vera-Avina, Amarie Wright

(SUNDAY 2:00) Aria Achong, Josie Bennett, Dorothy Brown, Nora Brown, Patricia Fields, Bellamy Garton, Alyssa Gonzalez, Charlotte Jackson, Hailey Lee, Ellie Cate Mendoza, Ava Newman, Ellie Park, Emma Tarr, Everly Vazquez

Party Scene

Clara

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Trinity Payne

(SATURDAY 2:00) Anna Reynolds

Fritz

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Gabrielle Corbett

(SATURDAY 2:00) Emma Drake

Clara's Mom

Ava Prickett

Clara's Dad

Raleigh Collum

Party Parents

(Moms) Allie Carmichael, Brynn Carmichael, Ainsley Cunningham, Deanna Gomez, Kinsley Richardson, Lillian Robinson, Saniia Williams
(Dads) Mia Carnell, Brenna Carlyle, Raegan Demming, Lydia Mikolyski, Ansley Robinson, Autumn Smith

Maids

(SATURDAY 10:00) Irene Kim, Calleigh Pepperdine, Paytun Walters
(SATURDAY 2:00) Abbie Arce, Irene Kim, Paytun Walters
(SUNDAY 2:00) Abigail Fowler, Cheyenne Gray, Calleigh Pepperdine

Herr Drosselmeyer

Nick Clark*

Party Children

(Girls) Ava Aukland, Isabella Cunningham, Maisie Cunningham, Norah Fritz, Sarah Lassiter, Philomena Leiching
(Boys) Meika Barfield, Sarah Beyer, Isabelle DiZinno, Libby Sharp, Susanna Thames, Violet Wong

Harlequin Doll

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Abigail Allen
(SATURDAY 2:00) Rylie Martin

Soldier Dolls

Dorian Kim & Cailyn McClung

Christmas Trees

(SATURDAY 10:00) Anza Austin, Shila Cash, Mary Kate Chewning, Lucy Chitwood, Lillian "Lily" Davis, Kristina Marie Fuller, Emma Hall, Sophia Chaewon Hong, Olivia Jones, Charity Kloes, Charlotte Lewis, Isabelle Pahas, Noelle Roy, Nora Shankus, Amelia Sorrells, Hannah Summers
(SATURDAY 2:00) Eden Ahn, Melanie Constantin, Monroe Daley, Olivia Davis, Julia Dubreuil, Ansley Fernandez, Audrey Gao, Adela Herman, Claire Lee, Legacy Owens, Camila Padilla, Nora Panos, Madison Park, Charlotte Scott

Christmas Trees

(SUNDAY 2:00) Emma Aguirre, Mary Frances Flynn, Rachael French, Emma Hernandez, Annie Keith, Laura Moreira, Mary Murphree, Ajiri Onyobeno, Emilia Ramirez, Arabella Sharpe, Emma Soliman, Ruby Thompson, Margo Washington, Zoe Weng

Snowfall

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Layla Anderson, Emma Kate Bass, Chloe Castner, Marissa Colbaugh, Zoe Ezeanya, Abbey Grubbs, Kaylee Hyde, Hayeon Jeon, Lillian Lee, Trinity Lee, Aubriana Lester, Ellore Lester, Lydia Lichtenwalner, Aubree Lopez, Elizabeth Pruitt, Gloria Rasor, Molly Roeder, Kehaulani Sako, Hadley Tolnay, Adaira Wingate

Frosty

(SATURDAY 10:00) Ella Basilio, Sophia Coscino, Ivy Friend, Willow Martinez, Natalie McConnell, Avery Monacella, Lina Nam, Otilie Potter, Harper Redmon, Haerin Song, Millie Upshaw, Olivia Verroco

(SATURDAY 2:00) Elif Akdeniz, Peyton Boyd, Samira Dorson, Ella Ha, Laiken Haley, Sofia Rivolta, Joanna Waters

(SUNDAY 2:00) Olivia Barrera, Audrey Botts, Kennedy Davis, Maggie DiFilippo, Savanna Jackson, Amelia Killillay, Lina Kim, Isla Mann, Isobel Martin, Elisa Mercurio, Laura Oh, Celine Park, Isla Potts, Lily Shank, Kaylin White, Eileen Yoon

Snow Queen

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Raleigh Collum

(SATURDAY 2:00) Michaela Hart

Snowflake Corps

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Shiloh Brown, Aislin Burke, Brenna Carlyle, Ainsley Cunnigham, Raegan Deming, Michaela Hart, Lily Leiching, Rylie Martin, Lily Milone, Anna Reynolds, Ansley Robinson, Saniia Williams

Snowflake Corps

(SATURDAY 2:00) Abigail Allen, Allie Carmichael, Brynn Carmichael, Mia Carnell, Raleigh Collum, Abigail Fowler, Dorian Kim, Cailyn McClung, Sadie Meadows, Trinity Payne, Kinsley Richardson, Lillian Robinson

Rudolph

(SATURDAY 10:00) Madeleine Arias, Emmaline Ausband, Kaelin Brandon, Charlotte Buttery, Victoria Chirinos Sanchez, Finley Kirk, Ellie Loberger, Charlotte Mertins, Magnolia Moore, Melody Oden, Haven Opfer, Sawyer Ray, Allie Redmon, Makenna Sattes, Madison Upshaw

(SATURDAY 2:00) Aubrielle Ampomah, Dorothy Cox, Caroline Demetre, Olivia Diaz, Kristina Marie Fuller, Yoona Im, Madilyn Pew, Darcy Underwood, Claire Williams, Avery Zhang

(SUNDAY 2:00) Ellie Fish, Tatum Kitsell, Lucy Lockwood, Adeline Mejia, Isla O'Connell, Kensey Scott Paolozzi, Meilan Pompey, Olivia Rodriguez, Beatrix Scott, Camila Shannon, Esther Shuler, Serenity Smith, Cecilia Zimmerman

Sugar Plum Fairy

Gracelyn Mueller

Spanish Lead

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Sadie Meadows

(SATURDAY 2:00) Lily Milone

Spanish Demi Leads

Brenna Carlyle, Ansley Robinson, Lillian Robinson

Spanish Corps

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Brissa Botella, Sarah Kersey, Abigail Lee, Amy Mikhael, Katelyn Turner

(SATURDAY 2:00) Hailey Brown, Allie Charles, Bridgett Fryer, Laura Hill, Sarah Kwon

Candy Cane Lead

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Michaela Hart

(SATURDAY 2:00) Shiloh Brown

Candy Cane Demi Leads

Dorian Kim & Saniia Williams

Candy Cane Corps

Abbie Arce, Mia Carnall, Gabrielle Corbett, Emma Drake,
Abigail Fowler, Cheyenne Gray, Irene Kim, Lydia Mikolyski,
Calleigh Pepperdine, Autumn Smith, Paytun Walters

Peppermints

(SATURDAY 10:00) Kate Buttery, Cambry Calvert, Ellie Carroll,
Riley Giddens, Stella Heller, Fiona Levanger, Riley Lloyd,
Adalyn Sosebee, Poppy Vickers

(SATURDAY 2:00) Anvi Agrawal, Eva Carter, Amaia Chambers,
Grace Cole, Makenzie Harlin, Isabella Haynes, Olivia Hernandez,
Luca Hood, Stella Hutchinson, Abigail Ireton, Lena Jackson,
Palmer LaFevers, Ryan Liebengood, Nina Mattos,
Theresa (Reese) Shorter, Ellee Wang

(SUNDAY 2:00) Sarah Bayona, Harper Ellis, Zoe Fischhaber,
Celine Francois, Sophia Garrard, Noa Jang, Vivian Jones, Maya Nguyen,
Divine Onakpoya, Charlotte Pernes, Lily Sarro, Sutton Willis

Marzipan Lead

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Shiloh Brown

(SATURDAY 2:00) Aislin Burke

Marzipan Corps

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Aislin Burke, Allie Carmichael,
Brynn Carmichael, Lily Milone, Anna Reynolds

(SATURDAY 2:00) Shiloh Brown, Raleigh Collum, Ainsley Cunningham,
Rylie Martin, Trinity Payne

Chinese Leads

Lily Leiching & Ava Prickett

Chinese Corps

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Hailey Brown, Allie Charles,
Laura Hill, Sarah Kwon, Abigail Lee

(SATURDAY 2:00) Brissa Botella, Bridgett Fryer,
Sarah Kersey, Amy Mikhael, Katelyn Turner

Arabian Lead

Aislin Burke

Arabian Corps

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Ainsley Cunningham,
Raegan Deming, Kinsley Richardson, Lillian Robinson

(SATURDAY 2:00) Ainsley Cunningham, Raegan Deming, Trinity Payne,
Kinsley Richardson

Gingerbread

(SATURDAY 10:00) Jasmine Barrueto, Avery Beaucamp,
Landyn Carpenter, Rosie Jones, Savannah Landaverde,
Ruby Montgomery, Rosaleigha Puga, Gloria Redman

(SATURDAY 2:00) Eliana Chang, Avonlea Chapman, Skyler Dorson,
Kiira Fang, Amelie Gisbrecht, Karis Ha, Maren Murray, Ryleigh Reffitt,
Vanessa Zhang

(SUNDAY 2:00) Olivia Baez, Grayson Conner, Aurora Gomez,
Isabella Irving, Mannon Lee, Virginia Lovelace, Gracie Montes,
Penelope Morley, Emma Narey, Abigail Shaded, Lucia (Lulu) Smith,
Collins Swigert, Ariella Torres, Araiya Vargas

Dew Drop

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Rylie Martin

(SATURDAY 2:00) Abigail Allen

Waltz Leads

Dorian Kim & Cailyn McClung

Waltz Corps

Abbie Arce, Mia Carnall, Gabrielle Corbett, Emma Drake,
Abigail Fowler, Deanna Gomez, Cheyenne Gray, Irene Kim,
Lydia Mikolyski, Calleigh Pepperdine, Ava Prickett, Autumn Smith,
Paytun Walters, Saniia Williams

Finale

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Intermission
10 minutes

History of the Advent Wreath

Like so many of our Christian customs, the Advent Wreath is an adaptation of an ancient practice that dates back to Pre-Christian times. Candles were lit around a wheel during the festival of the winter solstice to celebrate the return of gradually lengthening daylight. The Advent Wreath retains this circular shape with four candles. These candles now represent the four weeks of Advent in glad anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Advent culminates with Christ's coming. To celebrate this great event, the white candle symbolizes Christ's birth, and is lit on Christmas Day.

~ Act 2 ~

The Dancing Advent Wreath

Concept by Grace Mathis (Ms. Bernadette's Mother)
Choreography by Cynthia Devar | Staged by Katelyn Roth

SATURDAY 2:00PM SHOW ONLY

Opening

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Hope Candle

Sadie Meadows

Peace Candle

Ava Prickett

Joy Candle

Michaela Hart

Love Candle

Abigail Allen

Christ Candle

Raleigh Collum

Greenery of the Wreath

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

The Nativity Ballet

Choreography by Xandee Moniz & Michelle Potts

Narrators

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre Junior Company

Abbie Arce, Mia Carnall, Garielle Corbett, Emma Drake, Abigail Fowler,
Cheyenne Gray, Irene (Arin) Kim, Lydia Mikolyski, Calleigh Pepperdine,
Autumn Smith, Paytun Olivia Walters, Saniia Williams

Mary

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Lily Milone

(SATURDAY 2:00) Lily Leiching

Angel Gabriel

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Raegan Deming

(SATURDAY 2:00) Sadie Meadows

Joseph

Nick Clark*

Bethlehem Villagers

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre Junior Apprentice Company

Brissa Botello, Hailey Brown, Allie Charles, Bridgette Fryer, Laura Hill,
Sarah Kersey, Sarah Kwon, Abigail Lee, Amy Mikhael, Katelyn Turner

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre Apprentice Company

Ava Vukland, Meika Barfield, Sarah Beyer, Isabella Cunningham, Maisie
Cunningham, Isabelle DiZinno, Norah Fritz, Sarah Lassiter, Philomena
Leiching, Elizabeth (Libby) Sharp, Susanna Thames, Violet Wong

Shepherds

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre Invitational Company

Evelyn Alcorn, Kaia Brenneman, Payton Karo, Avery Karoly,
Adriana Kernstine, Leah Lichtenwalner, Abby McGee, Isabella Meneses,
Sara Munoz, Shantal Neuert, Brianna Nilsen, Caroline Seidel, Marcella
Smith, Bryn Steinkamp, Sloane Steinkamp, Daciana Viditki,
Ella Whitaker

Angels

(SATURDAY 10:00) Allie Carmichael, Brynn Carmichael, Ainsley Cunningham, Deanna Gomez, Rylie Martin, Gracelyn Mueller, Lillian Roinson

(SATURDAY 2:00) Abigail Allen, Shiloh Brown, Raleigh Collum, Deanna Gomez, Trinity Payne, Anna Reynolds

(SUNDAY 2:00) Aislin Burke, Ainsley Cunningham, Michaela Hart, Rylie Martin, Gracelyn Mueller, Trinity Payne, Anna Reynolds

Wise Men

(SATURDAY 10:00 & SUNDAY 2:00) Brenna Carlyle, Ansley Robinson, Kinsley Richardson

(SATURDAY 2:00) Dorian Kim, Cailyn McClung, Ava Prickett

Finale

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre & Buford School of Ballet Dancers

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

What is Georgia Christian Dance Theatre?

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre, the official company of the Buford School of Ballet, was founded in 1997 by Bernadette Campbell as a pre-professional dance company. The program strives to create a Christian environment for the dancers, recognizing that the gift of dance comes from God. The company serves as a performing outlet for talented and dedicated young dancers, as well as a stepping-stone for those who wish to pursue dance at a college level or a professional career.

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Senior Company



Abigail Allen



Shiloh Brown



Aislin Burke



Brenna Carlyle



Allie Carmichael



Brynn Carmichael



Raleigh Collum



Ainsley Cunningham



Raegan Deming



Deanna Gomez



Michaela Hart



Lily Leiching



Dorian Kim

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Senior Company



Rylie Martin



Cailyn McClung



Lily Milone



Sadie Meadows



Gracelyn Mueller



Trinity Payne



Ava Prickett



Anna Reynolds



Kinsley Richardson



Ansley Robinson



Lillian Robinson

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Junior Company



Abbie Arce



Mia Carnall



Gabrielle Corbett



Emma Drake



Abigail Fowler



Cheyenne Gray



Lydia Mikolyski



Calleigh Pepperdine



Autumn Smith



Paytun Walters



Saniia Williams

Not Pictured: Irene Kim

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Junior Apprentice Company



Brissa Botella



Hailey Brown



Allie Charles



Bridgett Fryer



Laura Hill



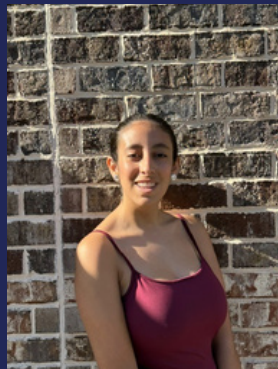
Sarah Kersey



Sarah Kwon



Abigail Lee



Amy Mikhail



Katelyn Turner

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Apprentice Company



Ava Aukland



Meika Barfield



Isabella Cunningham



Maise Cunningham



Isabelle DiZinno



Norah Fritz



Sarah Lassiter



Philomena Leiching



Elizabeth Sharp



Susanna Thames



Violet Wong

Not Pictured: Sarah Beyer

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Invitaitonal Company



Evelyn Alcorn



Kaia Brenneman



Payton Karo



Avery Karoly



Adriana Kernstine



Leach Lichtenwalner



Abby McGee



Isabella Meneses



Sara Munoz



Shantal Neuert



Brianna Nilsen

Georgia Christian Dance Theatre

Invitaitonal Company



Brooke Richards



Caroline Seidel



Marcella Smith



Bryn Steinkamp



Sloan Steinkamp



Daciana Viditki



Ella Whitaker

Special Guests

Nick Clark



Nick Clark is an Atlanta-based actor who graduated from Florida State University in May 2021 (BFA, Acting/Entrepreneurship Minor; Summa Cum Laude). You may recognize him from Lifetime's "Who is Killing the Cheerleaders" or the heart-warming Publix Thanksgiving commercial about a college boy who returns home for the holidays and shares pie with his mom. Nick is very grateful to continue his relationship with Buford School of Ballet and reprise his roles as Drosselmeyer and Joseph. He has very big shoes to fill...

Grandpa Mike, this one's for you!

Keep up with Nick at www.goodnickclark.com and on IG @goodnickclark. Merry Christmas!

Sam Carper

Samuel Carper from Ada, Oklahoma started his dance journey with tap with David Pershica at the age of 11. After he moved to Savannah, Georgia he then began his ballet training with Armando Luna at age 14. After high school, he trained with Charlotte Ballet for two years under the direction of Laszlo Berdo, Kati Mayo, and the legendary Patricia McBride. Since he has started Sam has had the opportunity to perform in The Nutcracker, Who Cares, Allegro Brilliant, and the Tchaikovsky Pas De Deux.



A special Thank You to...

- **Buford School of Ballet Faculty:** Savannah Botts, Mary Grace Campbell, Anna Chelena, Kelly Clark, Rivers Cunningham, Megan Jett, Lindsey Johnson, Callie Rose Lee, Emma Lloyd, Lindsey Martin, Lauren McKnapp, Michelle Potts, Abbey Sachs, Sarah Symons, Ashley Tarr, Keeley Thomas, Lindsey Williams
 - **Buford School of Ballet Office Staff:** Lynne Speed, Lisa Bozeman, Kelly Clark, Cathy McFalls, Teresa Mitchell, Stephanie Nolt, Theresa Zimmerman
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 - **Upper Level Director:** Michelle Potts
 - **Level 4A Director:** Mary Grace Campbell
 - **Artistic Director of Georgia Christian Dance Theatre:** Savannah Botts
 - **Grand Dame du Ballet:** Bernadette Campbell
 - **Coach of Georgia Christian Dance Theatre:** Andrea Pell
 - **Georgia Christian Dance Theatre Faculty:** Rachael Botta, Savannah Botts, Anna Chelena, Megan Jett, Lindsey Martin, Andrea Pell, Michelle Potts, Abbey Sachs, Sarah Symons, Katelyn Roth
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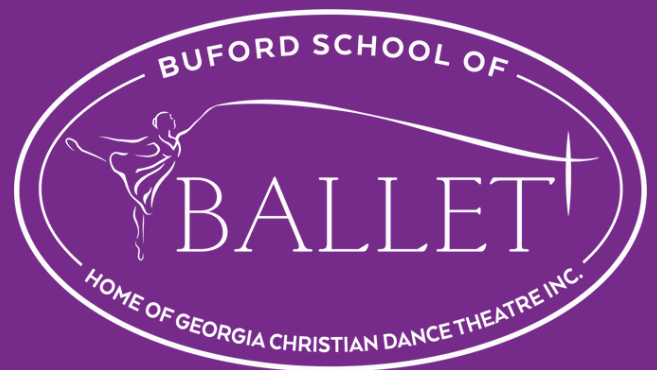


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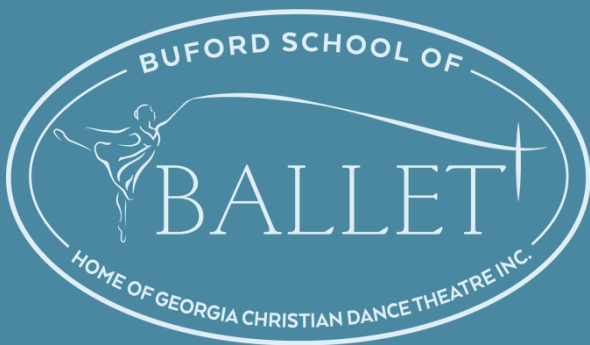


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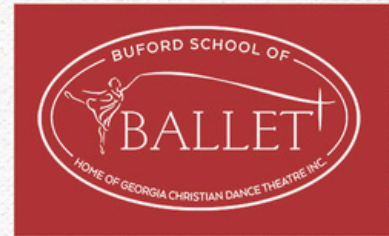


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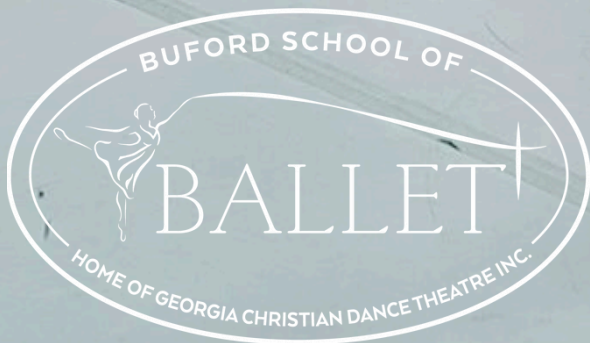
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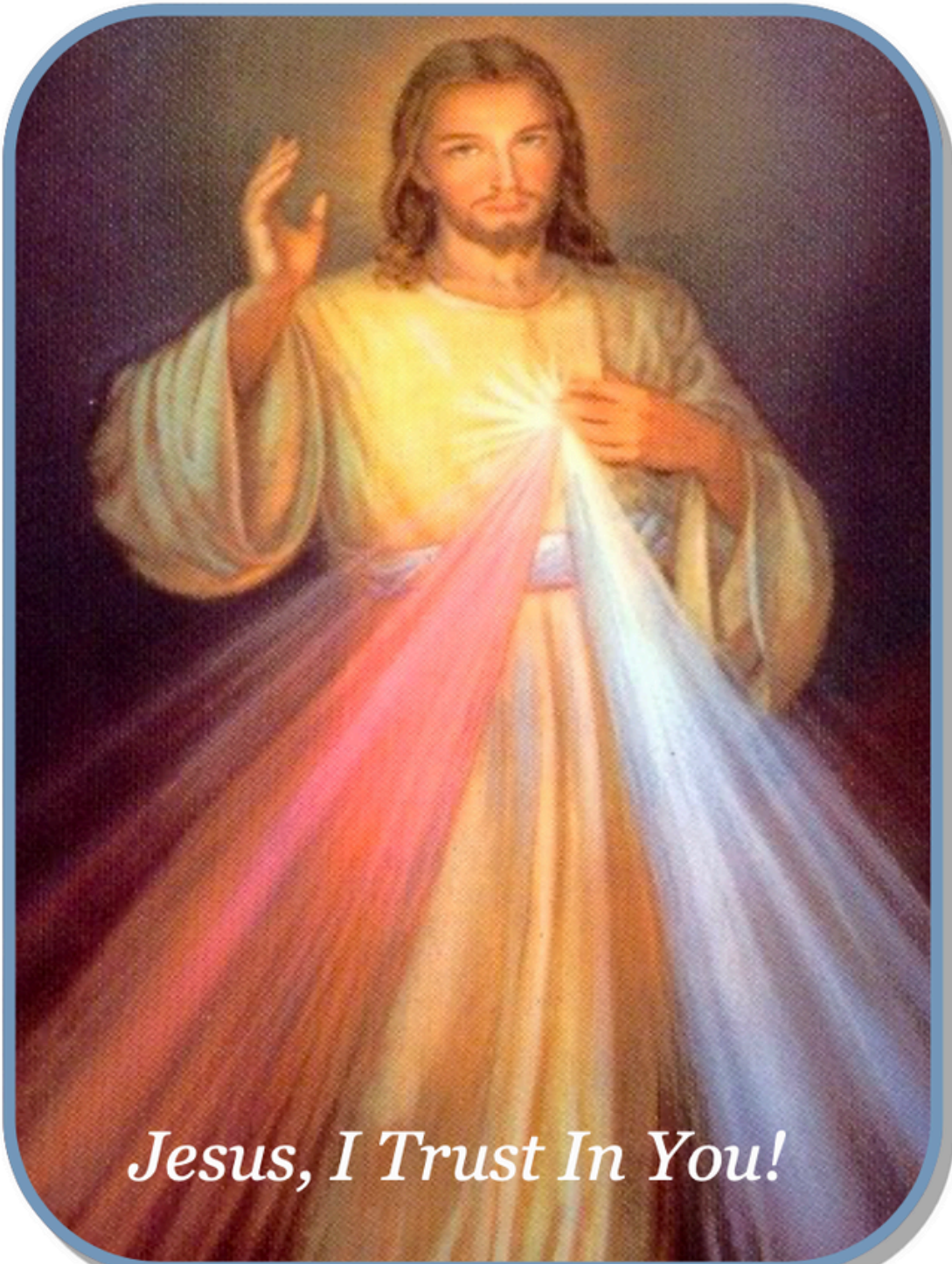
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Jesus, I Trust In You!

Behold, The Virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel which means, "God is with us".

Matthew 1:23