





Fun, family activities and a tree lighting ceremony will mark Gresham's annual Spirit of Christmas celebration, returning this Saturday, Nov. 25 in downtown Gresham.

Holiday Festivities in Gresham

is celebrated in historic downtown Gresham on Saturday, Nov. 25, when the 26th annual Spirit of variety of fun, family friendly festivities all leading up to the lighting of the city's 60-foot ponderosa pine.

The free festivities include arts

p.m., with live music, photos with Santa and free treats at the downtown Gresham Arts Plaza starting Christmas celebration is held with a at 5 p.m. The tree is lit promptly at 6 p.m.

> Gresham may be the fourth largest city in Oregon, but we still celebrate that small-town feel at special event."

The start of the holiday season and crafts from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 our annual tree lighting ceremony, the Spirit of Christmas," said Gresham Mayor Shane Bemis. "We'll bring the beautiful tree, sparkling lights and Santa. But, it's this great community coming together to celebrate with our neighbors that is the heart of this



Philip Neri Catholic Church, 2408 16th Ave., hosts a Christmas concert with Michael Alle S.E. Harrison and Julianne Johnson on Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 7 p.m.

hristmas Concert at St. Philip Neri

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, anne Johnson. a diverse congregation serving Michael Allen Harrison and the The church will host a reception able at the door.

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On Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 7 p.m., powerful, joyful singing of Juli- featuring traditional homemade

For the 16th year in a row, this southeast Portland, invites the much loved piano concert comes public to attend a special Christ- to one of Portland's renowned mas benefit concert with the sig- music venues and is a great formation, call the office 503-231nature contemporary music of way to kick off the holidays. 4955. Tickets will also be avail-

cookies. Proceeds of the event will go to the St. Philip Neri Altar Society.

Tickets are \$15. For more in-

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2017, 7:30 PM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2017, 7:30 PM SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017, 4 PM

Charles Floyd, conductor Terry Davis, guest conductor Northwest Community Gospel Choir Gary Hemenway, music director

This 19-year tradition keeps getting bigger and better. The region's premier gospel singers and the Oregon Symphony orchestra will have you on your feet, clapping and shouting, celebrating the true spirit of the season. Don't miss out on this exhilarating experience!

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