

# Christopher Loeffler

## *Conductor*



**CHRISTOPHER LOEFFLER** has been the Artistic Director of the Central Jersey Choral Society since 2008. He is responsible for musical programming, conducting performances, and developing and preparing vocal talent from within the community. Works performed by CJS during his tenure include a varied collection from the standard choral repertoire and most recently performances of Dvořák's Requiem and Psalms by Bach & Mendelssohn. Notable works he has directed include Brahms's Ein deutsches Requiem, Handel's Messiah, Bruckner Te Deum, Haydn's Creation, Vaughan Williams's Dona Nobis Pacem, Bernstein's Chichester Psalms, Mozart's Requiem, Mendelssohn's Elijah, as well as many others. In addition to his work with the CJS, Maestro Loeffler has been teaching music and directing the choirs at Toms River High School North since 2000 and currently serves the Toms River Regional School District as the 6-12 Performing Arts Facilitator. He is the director of the Pinecone Singers at the Pines at Whiting senior living community, where he joyously works with wonderful artists discovering or rediscovering their voices. Chris lives and works under the steadfast belief that every person can learn how to sing, and that music has a magical ability to bring people together.

As a vocalist, Mr. Loeffler has performed with the Westminster Symphonic Choir under the batons of Joseph Flummerfelt, Zdenek Macal, Kurt Masur and Wolfgang Sawallisch. Locally, he has served the community as a member of the Boheme Opera New Jersey Chorus, under the direction of Joseph Pucciatti. Mr. Loeffler has been a private student of Charles Walker and George Gray. Mr. Loeffler holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from Westminster Choir College, where he studied choral conducting under James Jordan and Andrew Megill, and music education under Frank Abrahams. He received his Master of Music Education degree with distinction from Westminster Choir College in 2018.