

**Mapping LGBTQ St. Louis**  
**Additional Information Sheet**

Location:

CHARIS Chorus

Centenary United Methodist Church UMC

1610 Olive

Additional Information:

The St. Louis Women's Chorus.

Origin of CHARIS as described on the group's Facebook page as of 2017:

"In June 1992 Jane [V. Clark] approached James Nacy, then director of the Gateway Men's Chorus, and asked what he thought about starting a new women's chorus in St. Louis. He gave Jane the names of Cindy Sohn and Juliet Jackson who had earlier expressed a similar interest. The three women met and began planning and organizing a new chorus. The first meeting took place at Centenary United Methodist Church, where Jane was the Minister of Program. Jane was chosen to be a board member of the new group, and Centenary became the new chorus' home for the first six years of its existence."

For additional history see: