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New choral group has familiar faces

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They're back.

Choral director Donald Nally, who once directed the Choral Arts Society and choruses at St. Mark's Church and the opera company of Philadelphia, has assembled a handpicked group of current and former Philadelphia singers and choral conductors to form a group titled The Crossing, whose debut will be at 8 tonight at St. Marks Church, 1625 Locust St.

The program is a number of relatively modern works by Herbert Howells, Thomas Ades and Gerald Finzi. We've decided we've been apart long enough and, while we like what we're doing... we really miss the kind of music-making we did in Philly," said Nally, who has gone on to work for the Welsh national opera.

Tickets will be available at the door.