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Stage Comedy Franchise Church Basement Ladies brings 6th Installment - Rise Up, O Men to the Weinberg Center

FREDERICK, MD, Monday, February 11, 2019 —The sixth helping from the Church Basement Ladies musical comedy series, [Rise up, O Men](#), comes to the Weinberg Center for the Arts on Friday, March 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM. This latest addition introduces the men of the church right alongside your favorite ladies from the basement.

Tickets begin at \$20 and may be purchased online at [WeinbergCenter.org](#), by calling the Box Office at 301-600-2828, or in person at 20 West Patrick Street. Discounts are available for students, children, military, and seniors. ***A special group discount is being offered to area churches who wish to bring members of their congregation to this family show.***

“Church Basement Ladies” is a musical comedy inspired by Janet Letnes Martin and Suzann Nelson’s national best-seller “Growing Up Lutheran” and other humorous writings. They joined forces with Executive Producer Curt Wollan to turn their material into a musical comedy. Wollan wanted to create a show celebrating the women who worked hard with dedication to their church kitchen whether they were Lutheran, Methodist, Jewish, or Catholic. The original musical started in Minneapolis where it played to sellout crowds for 29 months. Martin and Nelson’s lives and writings have since inspired five additional Church Basement Ladies’ musicals. All share the common thread of portraying the church basement kitchen as the heart and soul of the church, much like it is throughout America. The most recent sequel, “Rise Up, O Men,” opened at the Plymouth Playhouse in 2016. The music and lyrics are by Dennis Curley, additional lyrics and book are by Greta Grosch and additional material is by Graydon Royce. Wollan has produced all the shows, which have been licensed in all contiguous 48 states and Canada with more than three million audience members finding a connection to the characters and their stories.

A complete listing of artists and performers scheduled for the 2018-2019 season can be found at [WeinbergCenter.org](#).

ABOUT THE WEINBERG CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Weinberg Center for the Arts is one of the region’s premier performing arts presenters, offering film, music, dance, theater, and family-focused programming. Located in the historic Tivoli movie theater in downtown Frederick Maryland, the Weinberg Center strives to ensure that the arts remain accessible and affordable to local and regional audiences alike. Weinberg Center events are made possible with major support from the City of Frederick, the Maryland State Arts Council, Plamondon Hospitality Partners, and other corporate and individual donors.

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