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choir  (kwīr)

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n.

1. An organized company of singers, especially one performing church music or singing in a church.

2.

a. The part of a church used by such a company of singers.

b. The part of the chancel in a cruciform church that is occupied by this company of singers.

3.

a. A group of instruments of the same kind: *a string choir*.

b. A division of some pipe organs, containing pipes suitable for accompanying a choir.

4. An organized group: *a choir of dancers*.

5. One of the orders of angels.

intr.v. **choired**, **choir-ing**, **choirs**

To sing in chorus.

[Middle English *quer*, *quire*, from Old French *cuer*, from Medieval Latin *chorus*, from Latin, choral dance; see [CHORUS](#).]

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