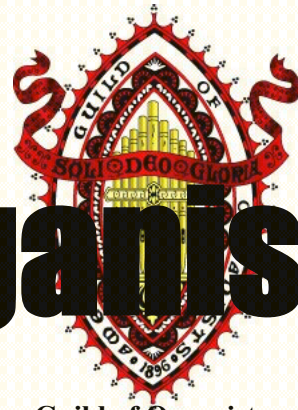


# The Greater Columbia Organist



**April 2018**

A Publication of the Greater Columbia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

## **April Program: Technology for Church Musicians**

presented by

**Huey Waldon**

Charleston Chapter of AGO

**Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m.**

**Spring Valley Presbyterian Church  
125 Sparkleberry Lane, Columbia SC 29229**

Sponsored in part by

**George Hiatt, Allen Organs at Fox Music House of Charleston**

How can technology help make our work easier as church organists, choir directors, and other church musicians? Our presenter, Huey Waldon, is the Director of Music and Organist at Stella Maris Roman Catholic Church in Sullivan's Island, SC. He serves on the board of the Charleston Chapter of AGO, and is very active in the musical life of the Charleston area. Mr. Waldon will explain and demonstrate practical technological techniques for church musicians to use in their day-to-day programs. Topics include technology for communicating, tools and apps for musicians, composition apps and programs, and digital sheet music. We'll also get to hear the 3-manual Allen Quantum organ at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church. Bill Johns, Organist at the church, will host us and provide light refreshments after the program. The program will be co-sponsored by our chapter and by George Hiatt, Allen Organs at Fox Music House of Charleston.



[Watch for the online ballot for voting members that will arrive by email in April.](#)

## **NOMINATIONS OF 2018-2019 OFFICERS**

The following names have been submitted by the nomination committee to serve the chapter for one to three years as an officer of the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO or a Member-at-Large of the Chapter.

Dean – **Greg Stone**

Sub-Dean – **Joy Ackerman**

Secretary – **Frances Webb**

Treasurer – **Tony Roof**

Member-at-Large (3-yr. term) – **Barbara Taylor**

Member-at-Large (2-yr. term to fill Greg Stone's position) – **Chuck Wilson**

**Norman McCorkle** has one year remaining to serve as a Member at Large.

[No additional names have been nominated.](#)

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**FEEL**

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**SOON**



AGO member Mary Steadman, a long time substitute organist in the Columbia area, is facing a very grave illness. On a visit with her on March 15, Frances Webb and Joy Ackerman obtained permission for the chapter to be informed of her battle with cancer and she asked for your prayers. Please keep Mary in your thoughts and prayers daily as she awaits an update on her condition. Visits must be arranged through her caregiver. Cards may be sent to this address:

Mary Steadman  
141 Clearview Drive  
Columbia SC 29212

# WINNERS

On Saturday, March 10, four young organists competed in the 8<sup>th</sup> annual **Young Organist Competition** held at Shandon United Methodist Church. Judges were Dr. Charles Tompkins of Furman University; Dr. Don Grice, Music Director and Organist at Central United Methodist Church in Florence SC; and Jennifer McPherson from First Scots Presbyterian Church in Charleston SC. Walking away with three prizes was Nicholas Stigall, 17, from Knoxville, TN. He won First Prize, the Hymn Playing Award, and the Best Bach Performance Award. Nicholas studies with Dr. Edie Johnson. Second Prize went to Danielle Little, 15, from Huntersville, NC. She studies with Jane Cain at Davidson College Presbyterian Church. From Johnson City, TN, Justin Brueggeman, 17, a student of Dr. Joby Bell, garnered third prize. Fourth prize went to Matthew Buie, 17, from Charlotte, NC, who studies with Dr. Timothy Olsen at the UNC School of the Arts. Contestants and their families, judges, and donors enjoyed a lunch following the event.

Without the support of our unwavering donors, this competition could not have happened for eight successive years. Our chapter can be proud of the careers which we have launched with our backing of the competition. Thanks to every donor for their support of this event!



Nicholas Stigall, Justin Brueggemann, Danielle Little, Matthew Buie



The Furman University 2018 Summer Keyboard Institute will take place from Sunday, June 17 through Friday, June 22 on the beautiful Furman campus. The Summer Keyboard Institute includes daily lessons, masterclasses, special lectures, and practice time, as well as abundant recreational opportunities. Students may choose study in the areas of organ, piano, ensemble piano, technology, and improvisation; organ students will be taught by Dr. Charles Tompkins, Professor of Organ, and will have access to Furman's Hartness Organ, a three-manual, 42-stop instrument by C.B. Fisk in the resplendent acoustics of the Charles E. Daniel Memorial Chapel. For complete information regarding the Summer Keyboard Institute, please call the Furman University Department of Music at (864) 294-2086, or go the following site:

[www.furman.edu/SummerKeyboard](http://www.furman.edu/SummerKeyboard)



## Congratulations!

AGO member Andy Kotylo and wife Andrea welcomed their second daughter on Friday, March 6, 2018. Weighing in at 6 lbs. and 7 ozs., Emily Elizabeth Kotylo was welcomed home by big sister Eleanor. Congratulations to the entire family! Andy has been the organist/choirmaster at St. Peter's Catholic Church since the fall of 2016 and Andrea has just recently accepted the organist position at Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

Living Springs Lutheran Church Music & Worship Ministry presents

# *Southern Bronze*

## Handbell Ensemble



### *“RINGING that Ole Time Religion”*



Sunday, April 8th, 4:00 PM  
Living Springs Lutheran Church  
4224 Hard Scrabble Road  
Columbia, SC 29223

Southern Bronze is an auditioned community handbell ensemble consisting of members from all of the surrounding towns in the midlands of South Carolina. Purpose: To promote excellence in handbell artistry through performance, education, and community. To provide an avenue of advanced, semi-professional handbell experience for the midlands of South Carolina ringers to play and develop skills that might not be accessible to the average church handbell choir.

Concert program will include some old favorites like “Holy, Holy, Holy!” with organ ; Gospel favorites and other jazzy as well as classical arrangements of well know hymns including other instruments.

## ***Organ Recital***

AGO member **William Douglas** will present a recital in fulfillment of the Master of Music degree in organ performance on Monday, April 23, 7:30pm, at Shandon United Methodist Church, 3407 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205. William is a student of AGO member and USC professor Dr. Jared Johnson. He has served as Music Associate/Organist at Shandon during his time as a degree student at USC.

**Greater Columbia AGO Program  
Friday, May 18, 2018**

**SILENT FILM EVENT WITH ORGAN IMPROVISATION**

featuring  
Ron Carter, Theater Organist

**Friday, May 18**

**6:00 p.m. Catered meal – reservations required\*\***

**7:00 Program**

**Shandon United Methodist Church  
3407 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205**

By popular demand, Ron Carter from Marietta, Georgia, returns with improvisations to three short silent film comedies: Charlie Chaplin, Harold Lloyd, and Buster Keaton. Bring family and friends for a wonderful evening of fun! Open to the public. Donations will be accepted for our organ scholarship fund.

\*\*There will be a catered dinner at 6:00 p.m. for members and non-members who make advance reservations. The cost is \$10.00 per person.



**Playing music of Bach, Sweelinck, Mendelssohn, Tavers, Hakim, Vierne**

**Friday, April 20, 2018**

**7:30 p.m.**

**UNC School of the Arts, Crawford Hall  
One of our stellar alumni, Raymond participated  
in the Young Organist Competition  
in 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.**

*Sing a new psalm*

# Save

*the date*

*April 14, 2018*

*10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

## *Chant Workshop*

*Bishop Andrew Waldo  
Keynote Speaker*

**St. Michael and All Angels'  
Episcopal Church  
6408 Bridgewood Road  
Columbia, SC 29206  
(803)782-8080**

# Congratulations!

*The Royal College of Organists has announced the results of its winter 2018 examination session. A total of 26 members were successful in the examinations for the Fellowship of the College (FRCO), Associateship of the College (ARCO), Colleague of the College (CRCO) or the Certificate of Accredited Membership (CAM). Our own **Lenora Jeffcoat** was awarded the ARCO. She was one of fourteen members who passed and the only candidate from the United States. Congratulations! You make us proud! I asked Lenora to fill us in on the background of the organization and the preparation process. Please read her enlightening article below. In addition, Lenora added, “I do wish to acknowledge David Lowry for his assistance in preparing me for the playing portion. I could not have attempted these exams, indeed this organist's life, without his help.”*

The Royal College of Organists, founded in 1864, with membership in over 40 countries, and patronized by HRM Queen Elizabeth II, functions as an organization “to promote the best in organ playing and choral directing, to encourage anyone who is interested to learn more about this fascinating and versatile musical instrument, and to explore its history and repertoire.” The RCO has four levels of accreditation within the college (similar to our AGO certifications); the Certificate, Colleague, Associateship, and Fellow. The Associate diploma examinations were two-fold, consisting of practical (keyboard and playing skills) and written examinations. The ARCO playing portion was intensive and quite comprehensive. I was required to play three pieces from contrasting time periods from pre-selected lists, and tested in improvisation, open-score, and sight-reading (one of the judges was Simon Johnson, organist at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, which immediately gave me a sense of the austere panel before which I was playing!). The written portion was also challenging, testing counterpoint, aural skills, theory analysis, score marking, and finally, two full-length historical essays, covering general music history, and a set work of organ music. The playing portion took 2 hours, the written papers, a marathon 6.5 hours!

As a wife and mother, I was searching for a way to challenge myself professionally while under time constraints and limited opportunity. I also wanted an excellent and reputable pursuit, one that would be distinguished and meaningful. The RCO examinations were the perfect solution for my continuing professional goals, and challenged me in every area of my musicianship. I also learned a great deal about the UK movement to continue organ education at every level, and about the culture the British continue to foster around the organ, both generally and at the university levels. ~ Lenora Morrow Jeffcoat





  
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Incarnation Lutheran Church  
3005 Devine Street, Columbia

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27 | 7:30 PM**

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church  
6952 St. Andrews Road, Irmo

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# Inspiring Worship



The 11th Annual University of Florida  
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May 6-8, 2018



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**Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel**

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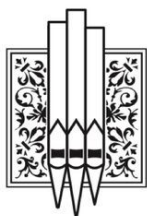
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Katherine Johnson, winner of the 2016 Young Organist Competition, presented her senior recital in Greensboro, NC, on Friday, March 16, 2018. She studies with Dr. Andrew Scanlon of East Carolina University.

**Program**

Drei Tonstücke, Op. 2 I. Moderato	Niels Wilhelm Gade (1817-1890)
Prelude and Fugue in C Major, BWV 547	J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
Sonata No. 6 in G major, BWV 430 II. Lente	J.S. Bach
Fantaisie in A	César Franck (1822-1890)
Symphonie romane II. Choral	Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)
Prélude et Fugue sur le nom d'Alain	Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

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# April Birthdays



4/02	Joyce Shaw
4/08	Margaret Monroe
4/09	Celia Tolar-Bane
4/09	Laura Siddons
4/11	Gary Meyers
4/11	Brian McCarthy
4/13	Beverley Anderson
4/17	Marc Rattray
4/20	Laura Rosier
4/21	David Turner
4/24	Mary Steadman

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## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

### \*\* NEW LISTING - OR CHANGES

Please contact Susan Sturkie (803-788-6807 or [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com)) to update this information or for more information on these openings.

### **CHARLESTON**

**Holy Spirit Lutheran Church**, a growing congregation in West Ashley, at 3075 Bees Ferry Rd., Charleston, SC seeks a part-time (12-15 hours per week) Director of Music/Organist. The newly built sanctuary has outstanding acoustics complete with a rebuilt and updated 1963 Noehren Pipe Organ equipped with 26 independent stops, 37 ranks, and 1,853 pipes. Traditional Sunday morning service at 11:00am and seasonal non-Sunday services and weekly Wednesday evening Chancel Choir rehearsals. Bachelor Degree in Music preferred. Competitive Salary. Email cover letter, resume, and references to Barbara Habhegger, Organist Search Committee Chair, [bahabhegger@att.net](mailto:bahabhegger@att.net). For more detailed information call 843-693-5581. Please leave a message and call back number.

### **CHERAW**

**First Presbyterian Church** (PCUSA), 300 Market Street, Cheraw, SC 29520, is a vibrant and happy congregation looking for a part-time organist. The organ, which can be seen on the church's website [www.cherawfpc.org](http://www.cherawfpc.org), was built by Gabriel Kney and Associates of London, Ontario, in 1986, and is designed to lead the congregation in glorious singing, to accompany the choir and to perform in recitals. It is tracker action but has combination action to make it accessible for different periods of music. It has two manuals and 26 ranks of pipes. There is one service a week with one choir rehearsal. Occasionally, the organist will be expected to accompany soloists and small instrumental ensembles. This individual will serve as organist at weddings and funerals, which are a source of additional income for the organist. The organist will collaborate with the choir director and pastor to plan for services. Special services include Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. The organist may accompany the children's choir as they sing in a worship service (with a short rehearsal before they sing). The position is open Sunday, April 23, 2017. For the complete job description and more information, contact Christie McLeod at [acmcleod1995@roadrunner.com](mailto:acmcleod1995@roadrunner.com) or 843-910-4538.

## **CHESTER**

***Bethel United Methodist Church***, Chester S.C. founded in 1837 is seeking a part-time organist/choir director. Sunday services are at 11:00 a.m. and rehearsals are held weekly but may vary during the summer months. Additional services include Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and Maundy Thursday. Our 1943 Pilcher/Moller organ received an updated console in 1986 and the organ was rebuilt in 2004. Please contact [Bethelumc@truvista.net](mailto:Bethelumc@truvista.net) for additional information if interested.

## **COLUMBIA**

***McGregor Presbyterian Church (USA)***, 6505 St. Andrews Rd., Columbia SC 29212 is seeking a Part-time Director of Children's Choirs for ages 4-year pre-school through fifth grade. Duties include directing weekly Sunday evening rehearsals and preparing choirs to sing during the 11:00 a.m. worship service approximately once a month, and on designated Sundays of the liturgical year. Preference will be given to candidates with a degree in music, choral directing experience at the elementary level, and piano and voice proficiency. The position is for the nine months of the school year, with compensation based upon education and experience. For more information, contact Joy Ackerman, Director of Music, at [jpackerman@att.net](mailto:jpackerman@att.net), or at 803-414-0479.

***Rehoboth United Methodist Church*** seeking part-time pianist/organist/choir director for weekly choir practice and services, including Sunday morning worship, special seasonal services, and revival. Send letter of interest and resume to SPRC-RUMC, 6911 Two Notch Rd, Columbia SC 29223.

***St. Mark United Methodist Church***, 3200 Lyles St, 29201, an open and welcoming small congregation in Columbia, SC, is seeking a part-time organist or pianist. Duties include planning and playing for the 11:00 a.m. Sunday worship service and accompanying the chancel choir which practices at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Experience appropriate for a church keyboard musician is desired. The congregation enjoys a variety of music from classical to contemporary. Instruments include a two manual Allen digital organ, a new Yamaha digital piano, and a Schulmerich carillon. Please send resume with cover letter to [stmarkumccola@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkumccola@gmail.com) or call Wayne Hall at (803) 252-7297 for more information.

***St. Michael's Lutheran Church***, Columbia. Cantor - Looking for a musician to lead the congregation and a small choir, along with a number of volunteer instrumentalists, in a comprehensive program in support of Sunday worship, with occasional opportunities to do other services during the week as negotiated. Centered in traditional, but vibrant worship with an emphasis on Lutheran liturgical resources - ELW. Use of piano, organ, choir, and innovative congregational involvement in worship is encouraged and celebrated. One worship service each Sunday with weekly Holy Communion, preceded by a choir rehearsal during the Sunday Church School hour is the current pattern. Good communication and collaborative worship planning with lay leaders and the pastor is expected and appreciated. Salary \$10-12,000. Please contact Pastor Frank W. Anderson at [pastorfrank2016@att.net](mailto:pastorfrank2016@att.net) or 803-730-4075 for more information.

***Trenholm Road United Methodist Church***, 3401 Trenholm Road, Columbia, SC, seeks a part-time organist/accompanist. Responsibilities include two Sunday morning worship services (8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.) and Wednesday evening choir rehearsals, plus seasonal services. For additional information please e-mail Sarah Fletcher at [sfletcher@trumc.org](mailto:sfletcher@trumc.org).

***Wm. Jennings Bryan Dorn VAMC***, 6439 Garners Ferry Road Columbia, SC, Organist, Contact Christine Aldeguer, Sawyer Contracting, [office@sawyercontracting.com](mailto:office@sawyercontracting.com), 407-602-7780 loc. 103. The Contract Musician shall provide a complete music ministry to patients and their family during scheduled Sunday services (52 Sundays per year, two services per Sunday) and Special services (an average of five per year). No choir. \$150 a week.

## **DENMARK**

***Bethel Park United Methodist Church*** is seeking a part-time Organist/Choir Director. Our instrument is a 33-rank, three manual Gress-Miles Organ with antiphonal organ in the rear of the sanctuary. Service playing is most important, and ability to lead hymns with the organ is a must. Our choir is composed of 25-35 members and continues a long history of excellence. Ability to sight read above average choral music is a must. We rehearse on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. Our Sunday morning worship service is at 11 a.m. We will offer salary commensurate with experience. Additional playing for funerals is negotiable. Special services will be required at Christmas and Easter. Please contact Rev. Terry Roof at [TARoof@umcsc.org](mailto:TARoof@umcsc.org), or the church office at 803-793-3669.

## **GILBERT**

**Pond Branch United Methodist Church**, Gilbert, SC, is seeking part-time, long term organist/pianist for 9:30 a.m. worship and 6 p.m. choir rehearsal (Sundays). Send letter of interest and resume to John Smith, SPRC Chair; 1913 Pond Branch Rd.; Gilbert, SC 29054. Phone: 803-657-5481 Email: [pbumcsec@pbtcomm.net](mailto:pbumcsec@pbtcomm.net)

## **LANCASTER**

**First United Methodist Church**, Lancaster is seeking a person of faith and musical gifts to play the organ and lead our church in music ministry programs in coordination with our Senior Pastor. A Bachelors or Masters degree in Music along with prior experience is required. Our sanctuary is graced by a 34-rank, three-manual Moeller-Austin pipe organ and a Yamaha grand piano. Other instruments include timpani, five octaves of Schulmerich handbells, and 4 octaves of Malmark handchimes. FUMC, Lancaster is well-known for an excellent music program with a Chancel Choir, soloists, guest musicians, handbell choirs, children and youth musicians, and seasonal special services and programs.

Interested persons should provide letter of interest and resume to Michael Clancy at FUMC, Lancaster via mail or email as shown below.

Michael Clancy, SPRC Committee, First United Methodist Church, PO Box 608, Lancaster, SC 29721, 803-283-8406, Email: [irishclancy@yahoo.com](mailto:irishclancy@yahoo.com), Phone: 803-804-1611

Closing Date: 10/15/2017

AGO members may contact [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com) for a more complete job description. Others, please contact [irishclancy@yahoo.com](mailto:irishclancy@yahoo.com) .

## **SUMMERVILLE**

**St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)** St. Luke's, an Evangelical Lutheran Church located in the heart of Summerville, South Carolina, seeks applicants for the position of Director of Music Ministries. This is a full-time position with primary responsibilities for providing music for all worship services on our 18-rank Schantz pipe organ, directing all choirs, and musical ensembles. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Salary is negotiable and is based upon experience. The start date is also negotiable but preferably no later than April 15, 2018. Applications should include a letter of interest and resume and be sent to [searchcommittee@slc.org](mailto:searchcommittee@slc.org). Questions can be directed to the Search Committee Chair, **George Metz**, at that email.

## **WEST COLUMBIA**

**Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church**, 3011 Leaphart Road, West Columbia, SC 29169. Needed immediately. This permanent part-time position includes directing adult and children's choirs, handbell choir, organist for Sunday morning blended service (traditional with contemporary) at 9:00 a.m. Zimmer 3 manual pipe organ and Yamaha Grand Piano. For more information, contact Pastor Mary Anderson at 803-794-6430 or [mwanderson140@gmail.com](mailto:mwanderson140@gmail.com). Submit resume and 3 references to: Wynne Price, E-mail: [wprice3@sc.rr.com](mailto:wprice3@sc.rr.com), Phone: 803-920-4087; Church phone: 803-794-6430; Fax: 803-227-2922;