

The Greater Columbia Organist



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APRIL ORGAN CRAWL: FLORENCE, SC **Saturday, April 29, 2023**

Meet at the Two Notch Rd. Lowe's (Garden Center side) at **8:30 a.m.** to carpool**
10106 Two Notch Road (at I-20), Columbia, SC 29223

On Saturday, April 29, The Greater Columbia AGO Chapter will sponsor an organ crawl to Florence, SC, to see pipe organs at four churches. Lunch will be at noon at [Victor's](#) for all who have made a reservation with Susan. Expected departure from Florence by 3:00 p.m.

****Please email Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com by Sunday, April 16, if you plan to attend. This reservation is needed for all who are carpooling and/or planning to eat at Victor's. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. sharp in the parking area in front of the Garden Center at the Two Notch Road / I-20 Lowe's.**



St. Luke Lutheran Church (Joyce Shaw)

1201 Cherokee Rd.
1987 Schantz; 2 manuals/
20 ranks. Relocated to
current location; expanded in
2003.



First Baptist Church (Ann Dowling)

300 South Irby St.
1951 Reuter (Schantz console)
Opus 935; 4 manuals /51
ranks.



Central United Methodist Church (Don Grice)

167 South Irby St.
1988 Schantz; 4 manuals / 68
ranks; 2022 new console and
revoicing by Orgues
Letourneau.



(Artist's rendering: work in progress.)

St. John's Anglican Church (Jim Hepler) – 252 South Dargan St.
2023 Lincoln; 3 manuals / 37 pipe ranks, 22 digital. French Terraced
Console. Built around Aeolian-Skinner Op. 1338. (Swell almost
exclusively Aeolian-Skinner, with additional ranks in the Great.)

Save The Date for Final Chapter Program

Thursday, May 18, 6:00 p.m. – Progressive Dinner: *The World of Weddings*

We will enjoy good food and hear organ selections for weddings with a tour of three neighboring churches. Beginning with appetizers and preludes at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, we will progress to Trenholm Road United Methodist Church for the main course and processional, and end with desserts and recessional at Forest Lake Presbyterian Church. Look for more details on itinerary and menus in the May newsletter.

Volunteers are needed to play a selection. Please contact Joy Ackerman at jpackerman@att.net if you would like to play some wedding music for the Progressive Dinner. Remember that this will be an informal event, so there is no pressure to present a formal recital performance. It was wonderful to hear all ten of our members who played at the February B-A-C-H program. We look forward to hearing fellow chapter members once again.



Congratulations to Lenora Jeffcoat for earning the FRCO Fellowship Diploma from Royal College of Organists!

Congratulations!



4/02	Joyce Shaw
4/08	Margaret Monroe
4/08	Lawrence Melton
4/08	Susan Wilson
4/11	Gary L Meyers
4/13	Beverley Anderson
4/15	Harriet Taylor
4/19	Anastasia Egan
4/20	Laura Rosier
4/21	Al Roberts

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral



Meditations on the Passion Sunday, April 2, 2023 4:00 PM

With music by Byrd, Durufle,
Bairstow, Holst, and Friedell



Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
1100 Sumter St., Columbia SC 29201
www.trinitysc.org

The Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 24

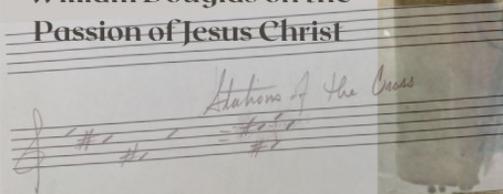
12:30 PM

and

Thursday, April 6

10:00 PM

Organ improvisations by
William Douglas on the
Passion of Jesus Christ



Artwork: Barbara Brown Cheetham



Alcee Chriss



June 18-21, 2023



Chelsea Chen

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Monica Czausz Berney



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Jared Johnson

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Part II- April 2 6:00 PM
 Part III-April 7 7:00 PM

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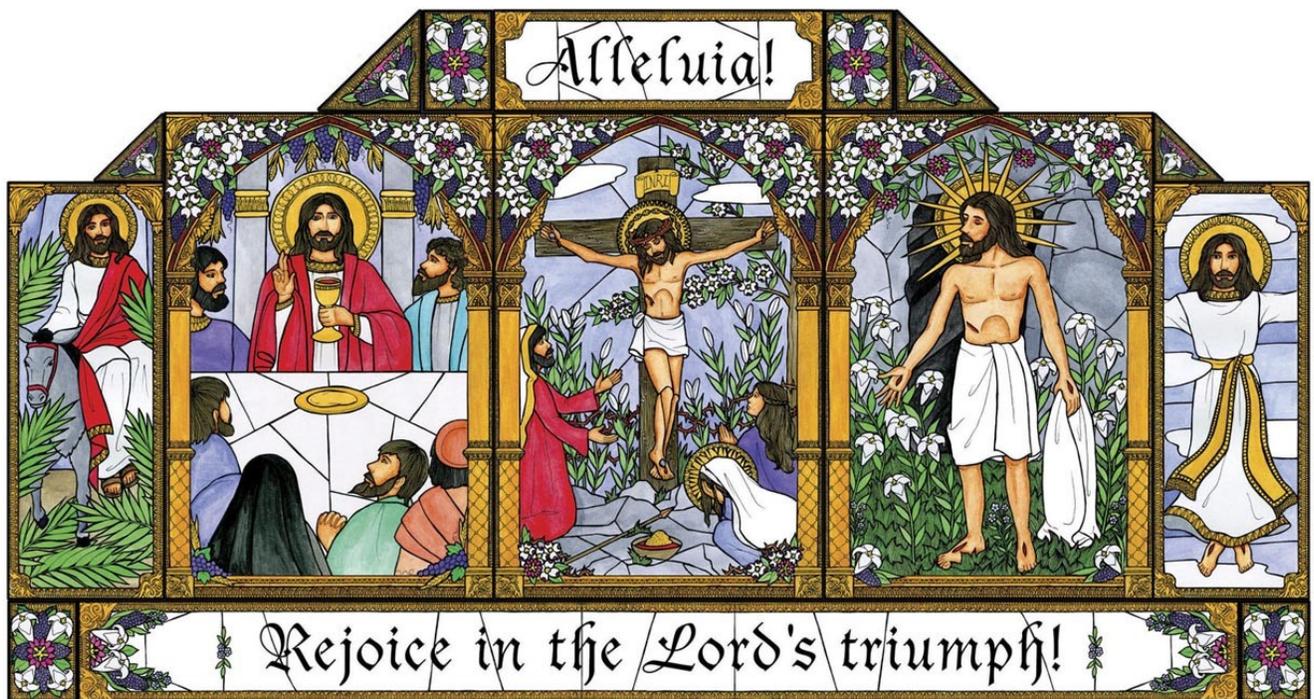
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The 20th of every month is the deadline for the following month's AGO newsletter. Information received after that time may not appear in that month's newsletter.



Program Planning for the 2023-24 Year

Our Executive Board will soon begin planning programs for the 2023-24 program year. If you have suggestions for consideration, please contact a member of the Executive Board, or send the information to Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com by May 31.



POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

**** NEW LISTING OR CHANGES IN JOB DESCRIPTION OR AD**

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COLUMBIA

Fort Jackson Chapels

Please find listed below a brief description of the part-time positions, Veritas Management Group are seeking to fill. Our goal is to fill the positions, as well as create a Substitute Listing for musicians/worship leaders.

- **Worship Leader:** Responsible for singing while playing an instrument (piano, keyboard or guitar) in a Contemporary Protestant service. The Worship Leader provides appropriate musical support during the Designated Worship Service, Rehearsals and Special Services.
- Contact: Nadine Felton at nadine@veritasmanagementgroup.com.

****Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**, 3909 Forest Drive, Columbia 29204. Person experienced in liturgical worship, preferably Lutheran worship, is sought to serve as Part-time Director of Music Ministry (directing adult and children's choirs). Plan and administer the entire music program in consultation with the pastor, staff, and lay worship committee, including weekly selection of hymns, choir anthems, and service music and music for special services during Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. Minimum of Bachelor's degree in Music or other related degree. Experience in directing church choirs and proficiency in playing the piano and singing is necessary. \$25,000-\$28,000. Send contact information and attached resume to gslcemployment2@gmail.com.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, an Anglo-Catholic leaning parish, is seeking a ¼ time - part-time Organist and/or Organist and Choirmaster for its 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning service. Organ: 2-manual Allen Renaissance Quantum, Acoustic Portrait, 58 stops. Choir Rehearsals are on Saturdays from 2PM-3:30PM (the day and time can be adjusted by the new organist). Job duties include leading congregational singing, accompanies and directs anthems, ensembles, and soloists at organ/piano. Also accompanies Cantor in singing the psalms, plays prelude, postlude, offertory anthem, and service music. St. Luke's also has Youth choristers who sing the anthem on the 5th Sundays. Special services include Lenten Wednesdays, Holy Week, Christmas Eve Mass, etc. The organist also plays for weddings and funerals per church policy. We seek someone with vision, imagination, creativity, flexibility, and the ability to teach and inspire our six-member choir (five of whom are paid professional singers). The ability to work well independently and in conjunction with the priest as well as an openness to versatility is a must. Hymns used come from *The Hymnal 1982, Lift Every Voice and Sing, II, Wonder, Love, and Praise*. Knowledge of the Anglican/Episcopal liturgy, classical solo and/or choral vocal pieces/works, and the literature and works of African American composers is highly desired. Salary negotiable depending on experience and ability. There is also the option to just serve only as the organist and the Choir Administrator/Librarian does the administrative aspects of the job. Please submit Cover Letter and Resumé along with two or three references to fr.raphiell@gmail.com with subject line: Organist/Choirmaster. You may also call the church office (803) 254-2327 to speak with the priest, Fr. Raphiell Ashford, for more information. 1300 Pine Street, Columbia, SC 29204

DARLINGTON

Darlington Presbyterian Church, Organist Position (PT) Darlington Presbyterian Church, EPC, is currently looking to hire an organist who is a committed Christian desiring to use his/her talents for the Lord. In addition to having skill in organ performance as a soloist, the position requires expertise in accompanying choir rehearsals, soloists, and congregational singing on both the organ and piano. The ability to sight-read and to play choral parts are needed skills as well. DPC has one worship service each week (Sunday 11:00 a.m.) and preparation for that service includes accompanying the Children's Choir rehearsal and Chancel Choir rehearsal on Wednesday nights. We also enjoy several seasonal special worship services during the year: Maundy Thursday, Easter Sunrise, Christmas Festival of Lessons & Carols, 2 Christmas Eve Services.

Interested candidates are welcome to send a cover letter and resume to Dr. Irwin, the Dir. of Music Ministries at tirwin1685@gmail.com.

GOOSE CREEK

St. Timothy Lutheran Church, PO Box 807, Goose Creek SC 29445, Part-Time Organist Position. 2012 Allen Quantum Q265D, 37-stop 2-manual console. The ideal candidate has experience playing a traditional liturgical service and accompanying a choir; views organ skills as a service to God and as a vital part of worship leadership; is open to and reliant on following God's Spirit in a team environment. Please submit resume to: info@sainttimothylutheran.org with subject line Organist or Music Ministry.

GREENWOOD

Immanuel Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Greenwood, South Carolina, has a job opening for a Choir Director and Organist. There is one 10:00 am Sunday service and a choir rehearsal on Wednesday evenings. The Music Director will also be in charge of additional worship services (Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, etc) at the direction of the worship committee. Weddings and funerals are paid extra and the organist has first right of refusal. The Organ is a 14-rank 1974 Zimmer pipe organ which was recently refurbished. Greenwood is a very short 1-hour drive from Columbia. Immanuel has a long-standing reputation for quality, traditional Lutheran worship. There are additional funds available in the budget for guest instrumentalists and choral scholars throughout the year. The director of music will also oversee the handbell choir and an opportunity to build a children's choir. Salary range is \$25-30k depending on experience and ability. The music director may work from home on days that physical presence is not necessary. Please email Christopherknash@gmail.com for any questions or to send a resume.

Main Street United Methodist Church, Greenwood.

ORGANIST, PART-TIME POSITION. RESPONSIBILITIES: Accompanies the chancel choir at weekly rehearsals, additional rehearsals and during the worship service either on the piano or pipe organ. Prepares and performs a variety of preludes, offertories, and postludes appropriate to the church year. Assists in the planning, performing, and implementation of service music for festival services.

Accompanies church weddings when requested and oversees other organist's use of the organ for weddings and/or funerals. Oversees the maintenance of the organ by a reputable firm. Performs additional tasks as directed by Senior Minister and Director of Music. QUALIFICATIONS: Education: College Degree in Music preferred, or equivalent in private training. Experience: Service as organist in a church with a pipe organ with similar specifications and service requirements. INSTRUMENTS: Three Manual Moller/ Schleuter pipe and digital combination. Yamaha Grand piano. Contact Gina Jolly at Gina.jolly@mainstreetgreenwood.org with questions or a resume.

LEXINGTON

Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Lexington, SC, Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Lexington, is seeking a committed Christian to provide organ/piano music and accompaniment for scheduled worship services, rehearsals and other activities in support of the music ministry of the church. Having a pivotal role in the musical life of the church, this individual should be a strong team player with the ministerial staff as needed and with the Director of Music at Pilgrim Lutheran. Please submit a letter of recommendation and resumé to Susan Cafferty at susan@wearepilgrim.com.

MARION

Marion Presbyterian Church, 208 S Main St. PO Box 186 Marion, SC 29571, Organist/pianist/choir director. Flentrop organ installed 1988, Schimmel piano. Position will become vacant mid August 2022. Contact the church at 843-423-2272 for more information.

MOUNT PLEASANT

Hibben United Methodist Church, 690 Coleman Blvd, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

Organist and Choirmaster Part Time: Responsible for planning, leading and coordination for the overall music ministries of Hibben UMC Church. Principal duties are Sunday morning worship, special services such as Christmas and Easter, weekly Choir rehearsals, ensemble and volunteer coordination, and planning with worship committee, staff and other volunteers to create worship that is energetic and true to the value system of a congregation that strives to serve and grow in discipleship and mission. Principle report is to the Lead Pastor and administrative accountability is to Staff Parish Relations Committee.

Salary and hours will be determined based on experience and other qualifications. A successful background check is required for this position. To apply, please submit a resume with a cover letter and three professional references to srprice@comcast.net. Please contact Mr. Price or Rev. Sara White (revsara@hibbenumc.org) to request a complete job description.

ORANGEBURG

First Baptist Church of Orangeburg is seeking a part-time organist to provide service music for Sunday worship, as well as special occasions throughout the year. Regular duties include accompanying Wednesday night choir rehearsal (7:00 pm) and playing for Sunday worship services (11:00 a.m.). The organ is a Moller, 3-manual: swell; great; choir, with 31 ranks from the original installation. The pedal board was built to AGO standard. The organ was installed in 1968 and rebuilt by Schlueter Pipe Organ Company of Lithonia, Georgia in 2007, with additional Walker digital stops added. Resumés may be sent to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 637, Orangeburg, South Carolina, 29116 or emailed to jane@fbcorangeburg.org.

SAINT MATTHEWS

St. Paul U.M.C., 1808 Bridge Street, Saint Matthews, SC 29135. We have an opening for an organist and choir director. Job requirements include choir practice at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings (or another time during the week) and worship service on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Some additional services throughout the year (Christmas Eve, funerals, etc.) may also be requested. The instrument is a 1937 Moeller Pipe Organ.

Please call (803) 874-2166 or email at stpaulsmumc@gmail.com for more details.