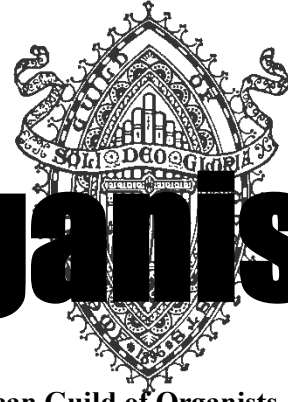


The Greater Columbia Organist



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Dec. AGO Meeting David Higgs

Masterclass
Saturday, Dec. 4 - 10:00 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church

Recital
Sunday, Dec. 5 - 5:00 p.m.
Trinity Cathedral

(Part of the Cathedral Artist Series - Concerts
are at 5:00 (following Choral Evensong at
4:00); free and open to all.)

AGO Holiday Party

December 3
7:00-9:00

Please bring a finger food
Hosted by David Lowry

Heritage Penthouse
1829 Senate Street
Columbia, SC 29201

David Higgs

Professor of Organ

Chair, Organ and Historical Keyboards Department



BM, MM, Manhattan School of Music; Performer's Certificate, Eastman. Studied with Claire Coci, Peter Hurford, Russell Saunders, Frederick Swann. Music director and organist, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Berkeley (1986-92); organist/choir director, Temple Emanu-El, San Francisco (1988-92); associate organist, Riverside Church, and conductor, Riverside Choral Society, New York City (1983-86); music director and organist, Park Avenue Christian Church, New York City (1981-83). Regular appearances with San Francisco Symphony, (1987-). Inaugurated many important new organs, including St. Stephen's Cathedral, Vienna; Meyerson Symphony Center, Dallas; St. Ignatius Loyola, New York City; Philharmonic Center for the Arts, Naples, FL. Concerts with the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Chanticleer, Empire Brass, Orpheus Ensemble; recitalist at International Congress of Organists, Cambridge, England; St. Albans International Festival, England; Incorporated Association of Organists, London; Oundle International Festival, England; Piccolo Spoleto Festival; Bermuda Festival; Milwaukee Bach Festival; Interlochen Summer Festival; Calgary International Organ Festival; and American Guild of Organists (AGO) and Organ Historical Society national conventions. Lectures for many summer organ academies and institutes; regular concert tours and masterclasses worldwide. Recordings for Gothic Records and Delos International. Awarded the Eisenhart Award for Excellence in Teaching at Eastman (2005). Faculty member, Manhattan School of Music (1983-86); Church Divinity School of the Pacific Episcopal Seminary (1986-92); Eastman (1992-).

CATHEDRAL ARTIST SERIES

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
1100 Sumter Street; Columbia

The new 5:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon Cathedral Artist Series concerts has begun with outstanding organ recitals on the newly-refurbished Casavant organ:

November 28 - DAVID TURNER, Organist, Christ Church, Greenville

December 5 - DAVID HIGGS, Professor of Organ, Eastman School of Music

These 45-minute recitals are free and open to all; they follow the service of Choral Evensong and Eucharist, which begins at 4:00 p.m. For more information, see the Cathedral Concerts webpage at www.trinitysc.org/concerts, or contact the Cathedral music office at 771-7300

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT SEVENTH HEAVEN CONCERTS MUSICAL EVENTS 2010 - 2011

HEAVEN MUST HAVE SENT YOU
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6TH 7 P.M.
Service of Advent Lessons & Carols
for the feast of St. Nicholas

Hear your favorite Advent hymns during the church's name season!
Church of the Advent adult choirs, Brennan Szafron, organist/choirmaster

HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23RD 4 P.M.
Southern Appalachian Chamber Singers
Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, NC
Joel Reed, director



Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 12, 2010

5 p.m.

*Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church
1000 B Avenue
West Columbia, South Carolina*

The Christmas Concert will be presented by members of Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church Choirs along with special guest musicians. The choirs include adult, handbell, youth, and children's choirs. Come and get in the spirit of Christmas with this concert that has become a holiday tradition.

Festival of Lessons and Carols

Saturday 4 December at 7 PM

Saint Peter's Catholic Church
1529 Assembly Street (at Taylor and Hampton)
Columbia, South Carolina
www.youtube.com/visitstpeters

with Daniel Pinkham's "Christmas Cantata" (Symphonia Sacra)
Traditional and not-so-traditional music of the season
The Gallery Choir and Capella Pueri of Saint Peter's School

Love Feast

Sunday, December 12 at 7 pm

SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
3407 DEVINE STREET
COLUMBIA, SC 29205
Located next to Dreher High School

This year is the 24th consecutive year of Shandon's Love Feast. The program of lessons and carols bridges the season between the "Hanging of the Greens" (Advent) and Christmas Eve. Special instrumental accompaniment will be a ten member mallet percussion ensemble that congregation members enthusiastically enjoyed three years ago. This year the Love Feast will end with a reading from John 1 and the singing of "Joy to the World."

Invite your family and friends.

Childcare available (reservations required) for ages three and under.
For reservations contact Jenny Triplet at Tripletj@mailbox.sc.edu
or fill out a childcare request form. Deadline for reservations Dec 3.

Region IV 2013 Convention Steering Committee/Committee Chair Persons Join a Committee Today

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Polly Watts	Hospitality/Volunteers Committee	
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Tony Roof	Logistics/Transportation/Hotel	tonyroof@windstream.net

Planning Ahead???

Region IV Convention, June 26-29, 2011 – Greensboro, NC.

For more information see:

<http://www.ggago.org/convention/default.html>

Region IV POE 2011 – Birmingham, Alabama.

Watch for more information on their website:

<http://orgs.bsc.edu/bhamago/>

National Convention, July 1-6, 2012 – Nashville, Tennessee.

For more information see: <http://www.nashvilleago.org/2012/index.htm>

Region IV Convention 2013 – Columbia, SC. Watch for more information on our website: <http://www.columbiaago.org/index.html>

National Convention, July 7-10, 2014 – Salt Lake City, Utah. Watch for more information on their website: <http://www.slago.org/>

Have you visited any AGO websites lately?

Find the most up to date information at:

www.columbiaago.org

<http://agoregion4.blogspot.com/>

www.agohq.org

Young Organist Competition 2011

sponsored by the
Greater Columbia Chapter AGO

Saturday, March 5, 2011
Columbia, SC

Open to grades 8-12

First Prize \$1000 and
performance opportunities.

For rules and application see
Young Organist Competition 2011
at www.columbiaago.org



December Birthdays

12/08 Earl Bryan
12/15 Gib Rogers
12/20 Mary Milling
12/27 Robert Jones
12/27 Sharon Rattray
12/28 Ruth Lackstrom
12/30 Ginny Holt
12/31 Whetsell McDaniel



**** NEW LISTING**

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

BATESBURG-LEESVILLE

Batesburg Leesville Presbyterian Church, 103 Mitchell Street, is seeking to hire a part time organist/choir director. Responsibilities include, working with the pastor on selecting appropriate music for 11:00 am worship service and for special evening services (ex: Maundy Thursday, Christmas Eve services). Please contact David Rawl (803) 604-1238, [drawl @excite.com](mailto:drawl@excite.com) or Robert Goings (803) 532-6035, RGoings494@aol.com .

COLUMBIA

Windsor United Methodist Church, 9500 Windsor Lake Blvd. Columbia 29223. Mid-size United Methodist church is seeking a Music Director for diverse church in metropolitan area to arrange all music and arts for two Sunday worship services - one traditional and one casual/contemporary. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, directing the adult, youth and handbell choirs for the traditional service, and serving as worship leader and producer for the contemporary service. The ideal candidate has experience producing various service types incorporating drama, video, music and dance as appropriate, while collaborating with pastoral staff. In addition, ideal candidate should be proficient on guitar or keyboard and be comfortable singing in both traditional and contemporary styles. Position requires 20 hours per week and pay is commensurate with experience. Please e-mail resumé and references to marilynsummers@aol.com or fax to 803-788-0458. For more information, contact Marilyn Summers at 788-1528.

CLINTON

Broad Street United Methodist Church in Clinton, SC is seeking a part-time Director of Music and/or Organist. Primary responsibility of the Director is to provide leadership and coordination of our music program. The organist will play at all rehearsals and worship services. The two positions may be combined. Broad Street has a traditional worship service and a contemporary service on Sunday mornings. The Director is expected to rehearse and direct the chancel choir and adult bell choir, coordinate with the pastor on worship music, and provide support for the "praise band." The staff musicians shall work to sustain and to grow our musical programs and the Congregation's worship experience.

The salary for the separate, or combined, positions will be negotiated commensurate with level of education and experience. The positions are available beginning August 8, 2010. Send resumes and contact information to BSUMC, PO Box 204, Clinton, SC 29325, or BSUMC e-mail address: info@broadstreet-umc.org. (Phone number 864-833-0177)

DENMARK

Bethel Park UMC 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 7pm. Our Sunday morning worship service is at 11am. We will offer a salary commensurate with experience. If interested, please forward resume, including references to Att: PPRC, Bethel Park United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 207, Denmark, South Carolina 29042. bethelparkumc@bellsouth.net

FLORENCE

Cross and Crown Lutheran, PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES. P/T Director of Music Ministries needed for Florence, SC church. 10 hours per week. Duties include planning and coordinating the congregation's music program, direct the choir, and participate in planning of worship and other musical activities. Education and experience appropriate for a professional church keyboard musician is desired. Please send resume to: Cross and Crown, 3123 W. Palmetto St. Florence. info@cross-n-crown.org

St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Organist (10 hours). St. John's Episcopal Church, 252 S. Dargan Street, Florence, SC 29506. Phone: (843) 662-5585; fax: (843) 669-9443; e-mail: twilliams@stjohnsflorence.org; website: www.stjohnsflorence.org. The Music Ministry of this traditional 240-family parish church includes an annual concert series, annual regional choir workshop, summer choir camp, and 28-voice choir. Duties include accompanying weekly choir practice and playing for one Sunday service/week, seasonal liturgies, funerals, and weddings. The parish is seeking a competent musician with solid keyboard skills and a background in classical repertoire. A bachelor degree in music is preferred. Dedication to one's ministry, strong work ethic, excellent organizational skills, and ability to work collaboratively are essential to the continuing development of a rapidly growing, vibrant music ministry. 2-manual, 9-rank Moller pipe organ. \$11,000 (additional stipend for weddings). Send résumé, references, and audition tape/CD to Tammy Williams, Minister of Music.

JENKINSVILLE

White Hall AME, Jenkinsville, SC (Fairfield Co.). Church pianist/organist needed Salary \$150-\$200/week. Contact 803-739-2973 or 803-414-3641 or Sherry Frazier at pianomaster2@aol.com

JOHNSTON

Johnston United Methodist Church, located in Johnston, SC (Edgefield County) seeking to hire a part time (approximately 10 hours per week) choir director. Responsibilities include weekly rehearsal of adult choir, selecting appropriate anthems for weekly worship service and leading choir and congregation in singing during the 10 am Worship service each Sunday morning. Choir Director will also be responsible for working with the pastor to ensure and provide appropriate music for special evening services throughout the year (ex: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Christmas Eve services).

Salary is negotiable based on experience. Please contact Donna Livingston or Rev.

Becky Shirley (803-275-4885) or by email jhumc@bellsouth.net . Needed by June 2. Church contact information for anyone interested in applying is:

Johnston United Methodist Church, 471 Lee Street Johnston, SC ph:803-275-4885, ask for Fay Adams, Chairperson of Staff-Parish Relations committee.

LAURENS

Atonement Lutheran Church, 413 West Farley Avenue, Laurens, SC 29360 has a current opening for a church organist. We are currently obtaining an organ for the sanctuary, and seek to have a regular organist for Sunday morning worship, in addition to special worship services as needed. Perfect opportunity for a student. Requirements: Be familiar with, or be able to learn liturgical settings and hymns from Lutheran Book of Worship (1978 green hymnal).

Contact: Sean Miller, Pastoral Intern, 864-684-1704, lutheran05@yahoo.com.

NEWBERRY

Colony Lutheran Church, 48 Colony Church Rd., Newberry, SC. **Director of Music/Organist, Part-time.** Located half-way between Prosperity and Newberry on USH#76. One Sunday Worship @ 11:00 a.m. Baldwin 636, 2 manual electronic organ, handbells. Salary negotiable. For more info, contact Worship & Music Chairperson Bettye H. Fulmer @ 803-276-7998, or Pastor Jerry Trantham @ 803-276-7151, colonylc@bellsouth.net.

POMARIA

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 2496 SC Highway 773, Pomaria. Choir Director/Organist. One Service/One Practice, Sunday morning. Contact Pastor Brent Nichols: nicholsfive@juno.com , (803)924-4851.

SALUDA

St. Paul UMC, 102 E. Butler Ave., Saluda, SC. Permanent, part-time Organist. Two services on Sunday (9 & 11) and choir rehearsal on Wednesday evening. We are looking for someone proficient on organ and piano, who can accompany a choir, and provide prelude, offertory and postlude. Salary is negotiable, based on the qualifications and needs of the applicant. Please send resume and references to Rev. Robert Cox, Pastor, St. Paul UMC, 102 E. Butler Ave., Saluda, SC 29138 or email to pastor@stpaulsaluda.com. I can receive both Word and PDF documents.

SENECA

Eternal Shepherd Lutheran Church, <http://www.eternalshepherd.org/> Choir accompanist. Contact Lars Helland, email:larsh@alltel.net cell: 706-244-4544
Home: 706-356-2690 or Rick Schmidt at 864-886-9306.

WEST COLUMBIA

Our Saviour Lutheran Church in West Columbia, SC is seeking a Handbell Director. The candidate will be responsible for planning, practice, and conducting for selected services. Our bell choir currently practices September through May on Wednesday evenings. Worship service is Sundays at 10:30. Salary for this position is negotiable. If interested, please call Pastor Lance Henderson at 803-794-8180 or email him at oslcpastor@sc.rr.com

Springdale Baptist Church is seeking an organist to play Sunday morning and evening services. The candidate should be proficient in both traditional and contemporary worship genres. Occasionally the organist may be required to accompany anthems for the choir during Wednesday evening rehearsals. Please send resumes to Springdale Baptist, Attention: Personnel, 357 Watling Rd., West Columbia, SC 29170 or email to: jonathan@springdalebaptist.org

WHITEVILLE, NC

First Baptist Church in Whiteville, NC is searching for a part-time organist. The new organist will begin in September. There is one Sunday service at 11:00 a.m., one Wednesday evening choir rehearsal each week, and six to eight occasional services (i.e. Advent Service, Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, etc.) The organ is a two manual, eighteen rank Schantz. The church is traditional in worship style, following the Revised Common Lectionary. Repertoire for the choir is eclectic, including classics, traditional anthems, spirituals and contemporary anthems. The salary is negotiable based on experience. A full job description is available on request. Interested organists may contact Eddie Fort, Minister of Music eddiefort@embarqmail.com or Dr. Ron Hinson, pastor, wfbcpastor@embarqmail.com or (910)642-2139.