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A Virtual Lecture/Recital with Nicholas Quardokus, Organist

***The Old Made New: German Organ Chorales
In the Baroque and Neoclassical Periods***

Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

**Due to the current surge in Covid cases, the
format of this program has been changed to
virtual.**

**A Zoom link will be e-mailed prior to the
program.**

German organ chorales have been at the heart of both liturgical and concert repertoires for centuries. Built upon the foundation of Buxtehude and Bach, many generations of composers have followed. At the turn of the twentieth century, composers such as Max Reger and Hugo Distler began to look back even more closely upon the “old masters.” Although highly influenced by the Baroque, they responded to early music in completely different ways. In this presentation, Quardokus will compare and contrast works from the Baroque and Neoclassical periods, investigating context, form, counterpoint, and text painting.

Nicholas Quardokus was appointed Canon Organist and Director of Music at Grace Church Cathedral, Charleston SC, in August of 2021. Prior appointments include Assistant Organist at Saint Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York City, Organ Scholar at St. Paul’s Parish, K Street, Washington D.C., and part-time interim at Washington National Cathedral. He earned Bachelor and Master of Music degrees in organ performance from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music and the Yale University Institute of Sacred Music, respectively. His organ teachers included Janette Fishell and Martin Jean. Nicholas has garnered top prizes in competitions around the country. He has performed at both regional and national AGO conventions, the Kennedy Center, Piccolo Spoleto (Charleston) and on NPR’s *Harmonia Early Music* and *Pipedreams*. We’re pleased that he will serve as one of our chapter’s 2022 Young Organist Competition judges in March.

Save These Dates for Upcoming Chapter Programs

Saturday, March 12, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon – 2022 Young Organist Competition

Shandon United Methodist Church, 3407 Devine St., Columbia SC, 29205.

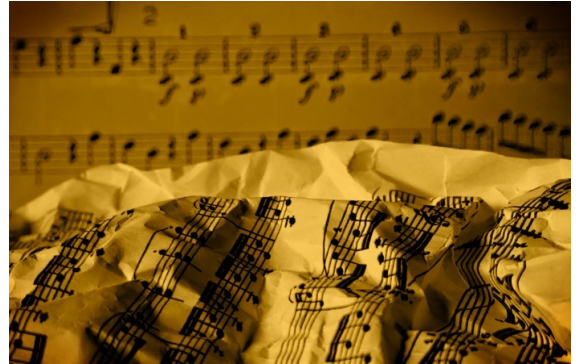
This is our YOC's 12th year of helping to launch the careers of outstanding young organists. Plan to join us to lend your support to this year's finalists as they compete for prizes.

Plans are underway for an end-of-the-year event in May. More information will be coming.

Are you published?

We would like to compile a list of published works composed by our chapter members.

Please submit the name of the piece, type of music (anthem, prelude, orchestral, etc.), publisher, product number, and whether it is still in print.



You may send this information to sloopystur@aol.com.

We extend our sympathies

to AGO member Beverly Anderson

at the passing of her son,

Howard G. Ffrench, on January 15, 2022.

and

to AGO member Frances Webb

at the recent passing of her brother,

William Jackson Mitchum.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24
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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.





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8:00 P.M. KING OF INSTRUMENTS:
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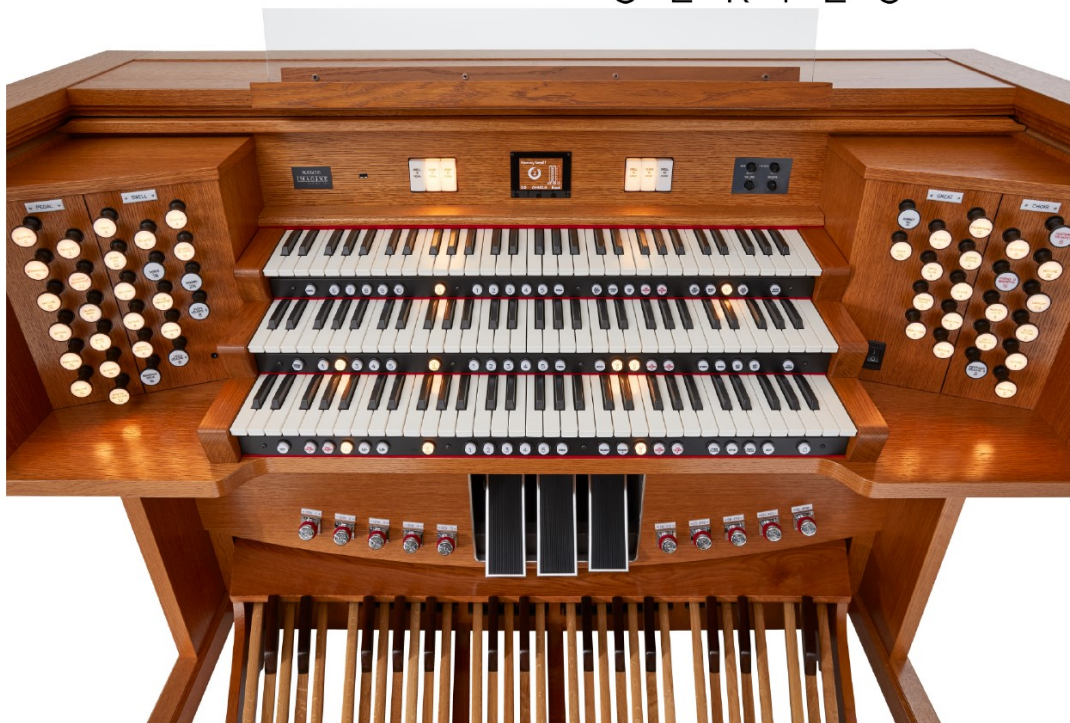
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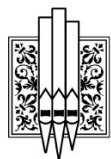
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Registration is now open for THE WELL-TEMPERED FUTURE, the American Guild of Organists National Convention, July 3–7, 2022, in Seattle, Washington.

Proof of the COVID-19 vaccination will be required to complete your registration. Have your COVID-19 vaccination card in an electronic format available to upload.

Visit the [convention website registration page](#) for more information and be sure to explore the [convention website](#) to discover concerts, new music, workshops, worship, and more.

Rates go up March 1 and June 1. Register now!

The convention hotel is the brand-new Hyatt Regency Seattle, located in the heart of downtown. We've arranged a fantastic rate from July 1–9, 2022! [Visit this page](#) to book your guestroom now. The [hotel](#) is your hub for convention programming, including exhibitors and most convention workshops.

Discounted airfare is available from Alaska Airlines for travel from June 26 - July 12, 2022. Use code ECMD864 for a special 5% AGO discount when you [book online](#).

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**** NEW LISTING OR CHANGES**

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

AIKEN

First Baptist Church, Aiken, SC - Accompanist

Principal Function- The Accompanist is a position with responsibilities for assisting the Director of Music & Worship in all phases of Aiken's First Baptist Church music ministry and for providing piano leadership. Salary Range ~ \$11,000/year Application Closing Date: June 23, 2021

Greater Columbia AGO members may contact Susan at sloopystur@aol.com for complete job description.

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. Experienced person sought to serve as Part-time Director of Music Ministry. Applicants should be comfortable with Lutheran liturgy, serving as part of a team, and working with adults, youth, and children. This person will be leader in planning and/or participating in worship and musical activities for all ages at Good Shepherd. (15 hours a week) Will provide accompaniment (piano and/or guitar) for the Contemporary service. Primary responsibilities include the weekly direction of the two Sunday morning choirs (traditional and contemporary) and the children's music program. Will partner with pastor, staff, and church leaders in planning relevant parish music of this active congregation A full job description will be available soon at www.gslc.com.

Please 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. We are looking for someone who can begin on Sunday, January 2nd or soon after. 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

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; vies 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@sainttimothythlutheran.org with subject line Organist or Music Ministry.

HARTSVILLE

Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1410 W Bobo Newsom Hwy., Hartsville SC 29550

Yamaha Clavinova. \$85 per service. For more information, contact oslc1410@gmail.com

St Bartholomew's Church, Hartsville, SC is in search of a part-time Organist. Duties include Sunday services, choir rehearsals, and any special services during the year. Vacation and continuing education included. Salary is \$180 per week and \$100 for additional services. Our instrument is a 32-rank, two manual, Casavant Freres Limitee. The organist reports to the Choir Director and the Rector.

Send your resume to St. Bartholomew's at the address or via email.

103 Campus Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550 stbartchurch@gmail.com-Church Office: (843) 332-8765

KINGSTREE

Williamsburg Presbyterian Church in Kingstree, SC is looking for a part-time organist/choir director. The choir meets during the school year and is off during the summer. Kingstree is a colorful small town on the Black River, midway between Charleston and Myrtle Beach and inland from Georgetown about 40 miles. Worship at Williamsburg Church is traditional and family oriented.

The church's organ was originally installed in 1957 with modifications and enlargement of the organ being completed in January 2006 which included an additional 9 ranks of pipes and 7 digital stops. The Great was moved out of the chamber into the sanctuary with all pipes in Great displayed with voicing completed by Daniel Angerstein. The organ is regularly maintained by Lincoln Pipe Organs, Inc.

Interested candidates may contact Williamsburg church at wmsbpresby@ftc-i.net for a complete job description and to apply.

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.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 403 Park Rd, Lexington SC 29072. St. Alban's is searching for an Organist/Choir Director. 2-manual Allen Renaissance organ, with speaker system upgrade in 2019. Interested candidates may contact Fr. Tom DiMarco (priest@stalbanschurch.net) for more information.

NEWBERRY

Newberry ARP Church, Organist for Sunday morning worship service. Contact Pastor Seth Yi, sethyi1969@gmail.com, Church 803-276-1485, Cell 318-680-4375, www.newberryarp.org. Organ specifications: <http://www.columbiaago.org/ColumbiaOrgans/Organs/NewberryARP.pdf>

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. Pastor: Rev. Sara Relaford, Church Secretary: Lori Worsencroft

WEST COLUMBIA

***** Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church***, 1717 Platt Springs Road, West Columbia, seeks a part-time organist/choir director for one traditional ELW service with choir rehearsal. Advent and Lenten Midweek services are also required. The church is located at 1717 Platt Springs Road in West Columbia, SC.29169. Please contact the Rev. Dr. Arthur Turfa, Interim Pastor, at aturfa@aol.com or 803-381-1468 for more information. Salary is based on experience.

Platt Springs United Methodist Church, 3215 Platt Springs Rd., West Columbia, SC 29170

Part-time Director of Music Ministries. Plan, develop, lead, and coordinate music for all aspects of the music ministry at Platt Springs United Methodist Church. Leads the choir in regular weekly practice and in worship, Sunday mornings and special services such as Christmas and Easter. Prepares and consults with the pastor and church organist on all worship services including Sunday mornings and special celebrations/services. Prepares musical staff and volunteers for special music at least 4 weeks in advance. Other duties as assigned.

Salary and hours will be determined based on experience and other qualifications. A successful background check is required for this position prior to hire. To apply, please submit a resume with a cover letter and three professional references to psumc@sc.rr.com. Please contact the church for complete job description.