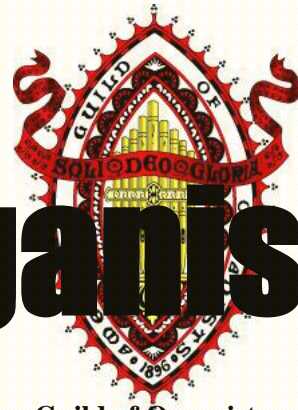


The Greater Columbia Organist



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Epiphany Dinner*
followed by
Your Favorite Wedding/Funeral Stories
Tuesday, January 7, 2020
6:30 p.m.
Grecian Gardens Restaurant
2312 Sunset Blvd., W. Columbia, SC 29169

Let's all heave a collective sigh of relief as we celebrate surviving the Advent/Christmas season in a private dining room at Grecian Gardens Restaurant. We'll order separately from the menu and enjoy fellowship throughout the meal. After dinner, we'll share some laughs over our favorite stories from playing weddings and funerals. Be sure to bring your most memorable ones with you. Members are welcome to bring a guest.

***Reservations Required**
Please email Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com by
Thursday, January 2.



SECOND JANUARY EVENT!

Choral Clinic: Working with Smaller Volunteer Church Choirs

Dr. Chris Sheppard, Clinician

Saturday, January 25, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

3909 Forest Drive, Columbia SC 29204

Do you regularly work with a smaller volunteer choir, have a smaller group in the summer, or experience occasional dips in attendance? We can all use good ideas on how to bring out the best in our faithful volunteer choir members. A short reading session will be included, featuring more accessible unison, 2-part, and 3-part anthems. Please plan to join us for this event. If there is a separate choir director at your church, they are welcome to join us as well.



Our clinician, **Dr. Chris Sheppard**, chairs Newberry College's Music Department and is Director of Choral Activities. He holds a doctorate from the University of Wisconsin, master's from the University of Northern Colorado, and bachelor's from Marshall University. Before coming to Newberry College in 2010, Dr. Sheppard was the Director of Choral Activities at Montana State University Billings, where he also directed an award winning community choir, sang several operatic roles, and was in high demand as a guest conductor and adjudicator. Throughout the course of his career, Dr. Sheppard has served as Music Director in Presbyterian and Lutheran churches.

CELEBRATING
10
years

Mark your calendars for two very important events in March 2020. On Friday, March 6, at Trinity Cathedral, the winner of the first Young Organist Competition will perform a solo recital in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the competition. Since winning the Young Organist Competition in 2011, Jacob Reed distinguished himself by completing

a BA/MA in music history/theory with a double major in mathematics at Yale University. In 2019, as a student of Martin Jean at Yale, he was awarded the Master of Music degree in performance. In the fall of 2019, he relocated to Chicago where he is pursuing a doctorate in music history and theory on a Neubauer Family Distinguished Doctoral Fellowship. On Saturday, March 7, 2020, Columbia AGO will host the Young Organist Competition at Shandon United Methodist Church. Be sure to save both dates for this special tenth anniversary celebration.

Organ Recital by Jacob Reed
Friday, March 6, 2020
Trinity Cathedral
1100 Sumter Street
Columbia SC 29201

Young Organist Competition
Saturday, March 7, 2020
Shandon United Methodist Church
3407 Devine Street
Columbia SC 29205

Save These Dates for more Winter/Spring, 2020 Chapter Events

Friday, April 24, 7:00 pm - Silent Film Event with Ron Carter at Shandon UMC. Bring family and friends for a wonderful evening of fun! (Free and open to the public.)

Tuesday, May 19, 6:30pm - Dinner & Installation of Officers at Ascension Lutheran Church, 827 Wildwood Ave., Cola., SC 29203. Pastor Jackie Utley will present a fun "Women of the Bible" skit. Members are welcome to bring a guest. (Reservations required.)



January Birthdays

*1/12 William Bates
1/20 Janet Marks
1/22 Jeff Maddox
1/22 Donald Cockrell
1/27 Ann Hood
1/29 Tim Wert*



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

BACH VESPERS AT TRINITY (NEW!)

select Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Cathedral Singers and NC Baroque orchestra,
premiering a new series of music by Bach and his contemporaries

Vespers lasts about 45 minutes

Free and open to all

JAN. 23, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

“What my God wills always occurs”

J.S. Bach, BWV 111

Cathedral Singers

FEB. 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

“God’s time is the best of all times”

J.S. Bach, BWV 106

Cathedral Singers

Andrew & Mary Waldo, recorder

James Waldo & Patty Halverson,

Viola da Gamba

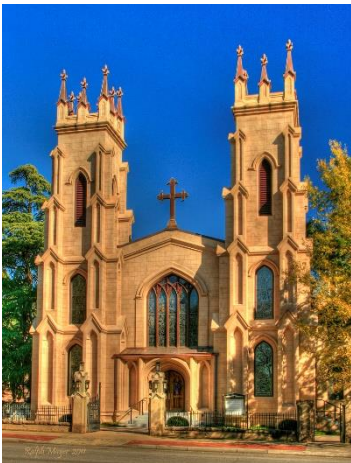
Barbara Krumdieck Blaker, cello

MAR. 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

(followed by Compline)

Pergolesi, “Stabat mater”

Choir of Girls



CHORAL EVENSONG

Every Sunday at 4:00, sung by the Cathedral Choirs

A reception follows on the Cathedral lawn.

SUNDAY 6:00 P.M. KEENAN CHAPEL SERVICE

Monthly Taizé Service

will be held on the last Sunday of each month.

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
1100 Sumter Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201
803-771-7300 www.trinitysc.org



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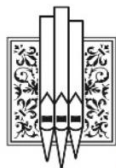


Catawba College - Salisbury, North Carolina



Catawba College is a small, faith-based (UCC), liberal arts college located about 45 miles north of Charlotte in the quaint town of Salisbury, NC. The 1000-seat Omwake-Dearborn Chapel, named for two former college presidents, is now 55 years old. At the time of the dedication, an electronic organ was in place but was later replaced by a 42 rank 3 manual Casavant pipe organ. Over the years, the pipe organ fell into disrepair and its baroque tonality fell out of favor. Several attempts were made to either repair the Casavant or replace it. Al Murrell, Vice President of R. A. Daffer Church Organs, Inc., built a strong relationship with Professor Paul Oakley and his successor Dr. Phillip Burgess by providing Rodgers Organs for their annual service of lessons and carols. Because of the relationship Al built over the years with college personnel, R.A.Daffer Church Organs, Inc was chosen to build and install the new four manual 84 stop Rodgers Organ. In addition, 17 ranks of the existing Casavant Organ were incorporated into the new instrument. The project which includes new wind chests will be completed in April of 2019. We wish to thank Dr. Phillip Burgess, Associate Chair of Music and

Mr. Bill Graham, Chair of Trustees for putting their trust in our company for this project. The new instrument will enrich the weddings and services that are held in this exquisite chapel for many year



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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.

CAMDEN

Lytleton Street United Methodist Church (LSUMC) in Camden, SC is looking for a Worship Leader for our elevate! worship service. This Praise/Contemporary service currently meets twice/month. We are actively working to transition to a weekly service and need/want a Worship Leader to assist us with the transition. Initially the position is part-time. Greater Columbia AGO members contact Susan for copy of flyer with more information. Others, please contact the church or Joan McCulley, Chair elevate! Steering and Search Committees 610-513-7855 (cell)

CHARLESTON

Martin Luther Lutheran Church is seeking a part-time Music Director to lead our music on Sunday morning and for other services. We need someone who plays organ and piano, can direct our choir, and can start a handbell choir. Directing a children's choir could be a possibility as we are slowly gaining children.

Profile:

- One service: 9:00a.m., and weekly Adult Choir rehearsal
- Other services as needed (Christmas Eve, Advent and Lenten Wednesday evenings, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, funerals and weddings as needed)
- An organ and a grand piano are in the sanctuary. Pianos in the choir room and fellowship hall.

Contact the congregation for details outlining qualifications, responsibilities, etc. Persons interested in applying should provide a complete resume and professional references. Send resume and references to Martin Luther Lutheran Church at MLLC@knology.net

Church Office phone: (843) 795-4855 1605 Harborview Rd. Charleston (James Island), SC 29412

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, 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 or 843-910-4538.

COLUMBIA

Living Springs Lutheran Church, 4224 Hard Scrabble Road, Columbia, SC 29223. Part-time Organist/Accompanist. Living Springs is hiring a part-time organist/accompanist to work alongside our Worship and Music Team, and to enhance the worship services of our growing, diverse congregation. This person would be responsible for playing organ and/or piano on Sunday mornings for both services, attending Wednesday rehearsals with our choir (with summers off), and accompanying the choir at special concerts and events. Approximately 21-25 hours per Month. Contact Living Springs Minister of Worship, Deacon Justin Rimbo, 803-736-0661, justin@livingspringscolumbia.org.

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 preschool through fifth grade. Duties include directing weekly Sunday evening rehearsals and preparing anthems for Sunday morning worship services. Preference will be given to candidates with a degree in music, elementary level choral directing experience, and proficiency in both piano and voice. The position is for the nine months of the school year, approximately 6 hours per week, with compensation based upon education and experience. This position could be expanded to include the position of Part-time Music Teacher in the McGregor Presbyterian Preschool. For more information, contact Joy Ackerman, Director of Music, at jpackerman@att.net, or at 803-414-0479.

Sherwood Forest Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Columbia SC, has opening for a part time (20 hours/month) church organist/pianist and choir accompanist. We are a small traditional hymn singing congregation. Duties include regular Sunday worship as well as special services. To apply, email resume/ letter to Secretary@sherwoodforestchurch.com or call 803-787-6370.

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 or call Wayne Hall at (803) 252-7297 for more information.

DARLINGTON

Trinity United Methodist Church of Darlington, SC is in the process of filling the position of Organist and Choir Director (one person). This is a part time position. Duties include one Sunday service at 11am and one choir rehearsal. Possibility of one children's choir. The instrument is a 22-rank Casavant sitting in a beautiful acoustical atmosphere. For further information, please contact either Dr. Keith F. Taylor (843-610-3319) or Ernie Shuler (843-307-0389).

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@sainttimothythelutheran.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 Vicar Mike Lang at Michael.lang@my.lr.edu

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

IRMO

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregation in the Irmo, SC area seeks a Choir Director/Organist for one service on Sundays, preceded by a choir rehearsal. No regular mid-week responsibilities except during services associated with holy days throughout the year, funerals, and other events, as needed.

Small choir, piano and organ accompaniment, and working with volunteer instrumentalists to provide support to the music ministry of the congregation is the primary goal. Strong working relationship with other staff in the congregation is encouraged. Traditional worship, with a casual and curious approach to new forms and styles characterize our environment.

Compensation \$10-12,000 commensurate with experience. Call Pastor Frank W. Anderson or email resume and letter of interest to PastorFrank2016@att.net or 803-730-4075.

JOHNSTON

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church is seeking a part-time Director of Music to support its worship and music ministry. The Director needs to be knowledgeable of traditional Lutheran worship, have good skills as an organist and pianist, be capable of conducting a volunteer choral choir and handbell choir, and supporting and encouraging the congregation's song. We have one Sunday service at 11:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal is at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays. Applicants should send their resumes with two or three references to Lib Cumbee, Chair of the Worship and Music Committee, cumbeeelizabeth42@gmail.com

LEXINGTON

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 1273 Calks Ferry Road, Lexington, is searching for a Parish Musician. Responsibilities include playing for one Sunday morning service and directing/rehearsing adult and youth choirs. The applicant needs to have experience playing a variety of hymn styles on the organ and piano as well as seeking out and encouraging congregation members to share their music skills during worship.

Resumes should be emailed to pastorhawk958@gmail.com. For more information, please call Pastor Karen Hawkins at 803.957.9345.

Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church of Lexington, SC, is seeking applications to fill the part time position of Organist/Music Associate. SGPC is a thriving ECO non-liturgical congregation in the heart of Lexington, SC, with an engaging music and arts ministry. The organist will serve on a team that includes the Director of Music and Arts, several audio/visual specialists and a staff pianist. Qualified candidates will possess at least an undergraduate degree in music and/or appropriate experience in a traditional worship setting. All interested candidates should contact Director of Music and Arts, Hal McIntosh at hmcintosh@saxegotha.org or 803-359-7770, extension 13.

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. Resumes may be sent to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 637, Orangeburg, South Carolina, 29116 or emailed to jane@fbcorangeburg.org.

First Presbyterian Church of Orangeburg is seeking a choir director/organist.

Responsibilities include playing for a traditional service at 11:00 each Sunday morning and directing an adult choir rehearsal at 7:15 each Wednesday night. The church has a two manual, 23-rank Schantz organ and a Steinway baby grand piano. For more information, please contact musicsearch@1stpresbyterian.org or dseymore@1stpresbyterian.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