

The Greater Columbia Organist



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Grand Finale!

The chapter's final program of the year was a smash hit! On Friday, May 18, around 150 audience members enjoyed three silent film comedy shorts with accompaniment by theater organist Ron Carter. *Big Business* (1929) starring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy, *Billy Blazes, Esq.* (1919) featuring Harold Lloyd, and *One Week* (1920) starring Buster Keaton kept the audience in stitches as the organist improvised background music and sound effects. The antics of the actors and Mr. Carter's imaginative accompaniments were synchronized seamlessly. From Marietta, GA, Ron Carter is a member of the American Theater Organ Society and of the Atlanta Chapter's Board of Directors. He serves as organist and trustee at Marietta's Earl Smith Strand Theater and is immediate past chair of the Board of Directors for Marietta's Pop Orchestra. He also serves as the house organist for the Callanwolde Fine Arts Center in Decatur, GA, where he is responsible for their 60-rank Aeolian organ.

This was the final program of my tenure as Dean of the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter. I want to take this opportunity to thank my board members and the entire membership for your support, advice, and wise counsel during my time in office. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have served the organization in this capacity for the past four years. Preceding the Friday night program, officers for the 2018-2019 program year were installed by District Convener Tony Roof:

Dean – Greg Stone

Secretary – Frances Webb

Sub-Dean – Joy Ackerman

Treasurer – Tony Roof

Membership Chair – Susan Sturkie

Members at Large – Norman McCorkle, Barbara Taylor, Chuck Wilson

Please give these officers your full support as they lead the chapter into another successful year. ~ *Frances Webb*



Pictured: Frances Webb, dean; Ron Carter; & Joy Ackerman, Sub-Dean

Mary Noto Steadman

APRIL 24, 1954 – MAY 11, 2018

*With
Sympathy*

Ms. Mary Noto Steadman, 64, of Irmo, passed away on Friday, May 11, 2018. Services were held on Monday, May 14, 2018, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 1pm with Pastor Scott Holland and Pastor Ronald Diegel officiating. Born in Columbia on April 24, 1954, Mary was the daughter of the late Nicholas D. and Dorothy Lindler Noto. A graduate of Columbia High School and the University of South Carolina, she retired from the IRS, Excise Tax Group, and was the recipient of the Albert Gallatin award. She was a lifelong member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, serving faithfully in many capacities – she was a former church council

member; a member of the Keisler Women's Circle and the Starlighters; and she was the current chair of the worship/music committee. She was also a member of the choir and the handbell choir and served as substitute organist at Bethlehem and many other area churches and the New Life Chapel and Living Word Chapel at The Heritage at Lowman. She was a member of American Guild of Organists and Association of Lutheran Musicians. Mary also volunteered as the house manager for the Chapin Theatre Company (Harbison Theatre of MTC and Chapin Firehouse Theatre). In lieu of flowers the family asks that memorials be made to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Worship and Music Committee; SCOA Cares Foundation or the charity of one's choice.

Update on AGO Member



Tim Smith, chapter member and organist at Christ Episcopal Church in Lancaster, SC, was tuning an organ in Orangeburg on May 22 and fell, breaking his hip. He had surgery on May 23 in the Regional Medical Center in Orangeburg. This setback, on top of his cancer treatments, culminated in his decision to stop all chemo and radiation treatments and to enter into a hospice program. Please keep Tim in your thoughts and prayers as he faces yet another health obstacle.

The *Celebration of Summer Concert*, which Tim initiated, will take place on Sunday, June 10, at 3 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church in Lancaster. Many of Tim's friends have organized this event in his absence and

will be performing as part of this recital. See the ad featured in this newsletter. For those within driving distance, please make every effort to attend.

Cards may be sent to Tim at the church address: Christ Episcopal Church, 534 Plantation Rd, Lancaster SC 29720.

Got a program you would like to see at a meeting?

Please give Joy Ackerman your suggestions **before June 10.**

We would love to hear from you!!!!

Joy Ackerman
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Park Road Baptist will be having a concert by Justin Bruggeman from Johnson City, TN. He is a high school student of Joby Bell and has won numerous awards for his playing.

The concert will be [Sunday, June 10, at 3:30 p.m.](#) The program is free, but an offering will be taken. Park Road Baptist is located at 3900 Park Road, Charlotte, NC 28209.

June Birthdays



6/01	Andrew Kotylo
6/04	William Douglas
6/05	Lenora Jeffcoat
6/06	Hamilton Stoddard
6/08	William Bullock
6/11	Al Murrell
6/16	Matthew Whitehouse

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Sunday June 10, 2018

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Tim Smith (organ)



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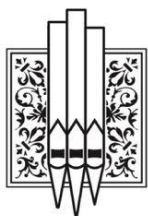
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**** NEW LISTING - OR CHANGES**

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. Organist position, permanent part-time, salaried. Instrument is 1991 Wicks pipe organ, 34 rank, recently voiced. Weekly responsibilities include playing for one Sunday worship service (11:00 AM), Sanctuary choir rehearsal (piano-Wednesday evening), and Youth choir rehearsal (piano-Sunday evening). For the complete Position Available announcement and more information about the church, contact Art Burnside, Organist Search Committee, at artburnside@bellsouth.net, or phone 803-215-3866. Or if interested, email resume to the address above. The church, a traditional "down-town" church, is located at 120 Chesterfield St, NE, Aiken, SC 29801. The church web site is www.fbcaiken.org.

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 Habegger, Organist Search Committee Chair, 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, 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.

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 for additional information if interested.

COLUMBIA

****Cornerstone Church,** 5637 Bush River Rd., Columbia, SC 29212 Director of Music at Cornerstone Church (PCA) <http://www.cornerstonesc.org/> Cornerstone exists to put lives on a firm foundation through prayer, proclamation, praise and recreation to the glory of God. We are looking for a music director who is born again, shares our philosophy of music and worship, is willing to work closely with the Senior Pastor and conduct both our praise team and choir on Sunday mornings. The current position is part-time with negotiable hours and salary commensurate with hours and expertise (up to \$25,000). Please contact Rev. Joshua M. Knott at 302-384-2948 or joshuaknott@cornerstonesc.org for a complete job description or for more information. Greater Columbia AGO members may request this job description from sloopystur@aol.com.

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, 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.

Shandon United Methodist Church-Columbia

Organist/Music Associate position open beginning this summer. Moller/King of Instruments Organ, 61 ranks. Responsibilities include playing for two Sunday worship services (8:45am and 11am), and Wednesday evening rehearsals with the Chancel Choir. For more information about the position, contact Eddie Huss, Minister of Music and Arts. ehuss@shandon-umc.org or phone, 803 256 8383 ext. 104. If interested, you may email your resume to the address above.

The Church is located at 3407 Devine Street, Columbia, 29205.

****St. John's Episcopal Church**, 2827 Wheat St., Columbia, SC, 29205 is searching for a part-time organist. 2016 Lincoln Pipe Organ. Our summer schedule involves two Sunday morning services. Wednesday evening choir rehearsals begin in August. For more information, please contact Michael T. Brown at mtb@stjohnscolumbia.org.

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.

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 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.

Wm. Jennings Bryan Dorn VAMC, 6439 Garners Ferry Road Columbia, SC, Organist, Contact Christine Aldeguer, Sawyer Contracting, 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, 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

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, Phone: 803-804-1611

Closing Date: 10/15/2017

AGO members may contact sloopystur@aol.com for a more complete job description. Others, please contact 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. Questions can be directed to the Search Committee Chair, **George Metz**, at that email.

WHITE ROCK

****Bethel Lutheran Church**, 2081 Dutch Fork Road, Chapin, SC 29036 is searching for a part-time Organist/choir director. Our instrument is an Allen MD565 Organ. Candidates should have experience in playing liturgical worship services. For more information, please contact Pastor Roy Butler at chapbutler@gmail.com.