

# The Greater Columbia Organist



**March 2018**

A Publication of the Greater Columbia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

## Young Organist Competition 2018

**Saturday, March 10, 2018  
10 a.m.**

**Shandon United Methodist Church  
3407 Devine Street  
Columbia SC 29205**



For the past six months you have been reading about the stellar accomplishments of the Young Organist Competition alumni. Now, here it is, time for the 2018 competition. I am pleased to report that we have four outstanding competitors again this year. And thanks to the generosity of an AGO member, a fourth prize has been created so that all four students will be competing on Saturday, March 10, 2018.

Please attend this wonderful outreach program of the Greater Columbia AGO chapter. Support this venture with your donations and with your attendance. See you there!

### Prizes

**First Place \$1500** *anonymous donor*

**Second Place \$1000**

**Third Place \$750**

**Fourth Prize \$500** *anonymous donor*

**Hymn Playing Award \$250** *sponsored by David Hall*

**Best Bach Performance Award \$250** *sponsored by Tony Roof*

## NOMINATIONS OF 2018-2019 OFFICERS

The following names have been submitted by the nomination committee to serve the chapter for one to three years as an officer of the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO or a Member-at-Large of the Chapter.

Dean – **Greg Stone**

Sub-Dean – **Joy Ackerman**

Secretary – **Frances Webb**

Treasurer – **Tony Roof**

Member-at-Large (3-yr. term) – **Barbara Taylor**

Member-at-Large (2-yr. term to fill Greg Stone's position) – **Chuck Wilson**

**Norman McCorkle** has one year remaining to serve as a Member at Large.

***Additional nominations may be made by petitions signed by at least five (5) members of the Chapter in good standing (dues current) and submitted to the Secretary (margaret6vs@gmail.com) within 14 days after the submission of the Nominating Committee report to the members in the Newsletter so that they may receive the same consideration as those proposed by the Nominating Committee.***

***Your online ballot for voting members will arrive by email in April.***



## **Greater Columbia AGO Programs Coming in 2018**

### ***Presentation on Assistive Technology for Church Organists***

**Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m.**

**Spring Valley Presbyterian Church**

George Hiatt, Allen Representative from Fox Music House in Charleston, will explain and demonstrate some of the applications designed to help church musicians in their work.

### ***Silent Film with Organ Improvisation***

**Friday, May 18, 7:00 p.m.**

**Shandon Methodist Church**

By popular demand, Ron Carter from Marietta, Georgia, returns to accompany three silent film shorts. Bring family and friends for a wonderful evening of fun! Open to the public. Donations accepted for our organ scholarship fund.

**\*\*There will be a catered dinner at 6:00 p.m. on May 18 for members and non-members who make advance reservations.**

## **The AGO National Convention**

At the 2018 AGO National Convention in Kansas City you will see and hear incredible performances by world-class organists and choirs, hear new music by some of the world's best modern composers, be able to check out dozens of workshops and seminars, and enjoy creative worship services in some of the most beautiful and historic organ venues in the country. The members of the Greater Kansas City Chapter of The American Guild of Organists look forward to sharing the grandeur of the city's organs and performance venues with you from July 2 – 6, 2018.

**Early:** Jan. 1 – Mar. 31, 2018

Regular Member\* \$435

Senior (65+) \$395

Spouse/Partner \$350

Young Organist (under 30) \$250

Non-member \$550

**Transportation Package:** \$175 for adults, \$100 for Young Artists  
(Air conditioned buses, Various return options to hotels)

[Click here for more information.](#)

THURSDAY EVENINGS IN LENT AT

## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

1100 SUMTER STREET (ACROSS FROM THE STATE HOUSE)

FEBRUARY 15, 22; MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22

# LENTEN RECITALS

7:15 P.M.

a series of six half-hour recitals in the  
Cathedral, prior to the service of Compline

- ✧ FEBRUARY 15 - Thomas Heidenreich, organ  
*Mr. Heidenreich is the 2017-2018 Association of Anglican Musicians Gerre Hancock Organ Fellow*
- ✧ FEBRUARY 22 - Andrew Kotylo, organ  
*Dr. Kotylo is Director of Music at St. Peter's Catholic Church*
- ✧ MARCH 1 - William Douglas, organ  
*Mr. Doulgas is a Master of Music candidate at USC and Music Associate and Organist at Shandon Methodist Church*
- ✧ MARCH 8 - Joseph Setzer, organ  
*Mr. Setzer is a Master of Music candidate at USC, a member of the Cathedral Choir, and a former Vernon Scholar*
- ✧ MARCH 15 - Brent te Velde, organ  
*Mr. te Velde is Trinity's Associate Organist & Choirmaster*
- ✧ MARCH 22 - Broad River Renaissance Band - recorder ensemble  
*directed by Mary H. Waldo; Anthony Coyne, Kunio Hara, Craig Kridel, James Knight, and Andrew Waldo*

# COMPLINE

8:00 P.M.

Compline, the final office of the monastic day, is a  
30-minute service of a cappella music, sung by candlelight  
*(incense will be used)*



These recitals and services are free and open to everyone.





*Sing a new psalm*

# Save

*the date*

*April 14, 2018*

*10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

## *Chant Workshop*

*Bishop Andrew Waldo  
Keynote Speaker*

**St. Michael and All Angels'  
Episcopal Church  
6408 Bridgewood Road  
Columbia, SC 29206  
(803)782-8080**

# Inspiring Worship



The 11th Annual University of Florida  
Sacred Music Workshop  
May 6-8, 2018



**Guest Clinician: Christopher Jacobson**



**Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel**

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## March Birthdays



**3/02   Barbara Taylor**  
**3/09   Clifford Hospital**  
**3/12   Sharon McCroskey Witherell**  
**3/16   Floride McKoy**  
**3/28   Debbie Bagwell Bauer**



# POSITIONS AVAILABLE

## **\*\* NEW LISTING - OR CHANGES**

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

### **BEAUFORT**

**Carteret Street United Methodist Church**, 408 Carteret Street, Beaufort, SC 29902 is seeking a part-time organist who will provide music in a worshipful spirit on Sunday morning and other occasions. The church has an average worship attendance of 250 with two services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Sundays September to May and one service at 10:00 a.m. from June to August. The choir is composed of 18-20 semi-professional voices who are faithfully committed to the ministry of music. The 12 Rank M.P. Moller organ was rebuilt by A. E. Schleuter in 2013. A grand piano is also present in the sanctuary.

Qualifications: Person who professes the Christian faith and exhibits Christian character; Degrees in music are preferred, but not required; Experienced in church setting; Works well with others as a member of a team.

This is a part-time position consisting of 12-15 hours per week. The salary range is \$16,000 to \$20,500. Persons interested in applying should provide a complete resume and no less than three professional references. Send resume and references to: Mrs. Cindy Keener, Chair, Staff-Parish Relations Committee, [CSUMC@islc.net](mailto:CSUMC@islc.net). Church Office Phone: 843-524-3841

(For additional information, contact the church office or the Greater Columbia Chapter AGO at [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com).)

### **BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**

**St. James Lutheran Church** needs an organist. Contact Sonja Kinard 912-399-4840

Weekly service at 11 a.m., Mid-Week Lenten services. Practice with choir at present on a Saturday once or twice a month. Play for anthem on Sundays.

### **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, [bahabegger@att.net](mailto:bahabegger@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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:Bethelumc@truvista.net) for additional information if interested.

## **COLUMBIA**

**\*\*Incarnation Lutheran Church**, 3005 Devine Street, Columbia 29205 is seeking to hire a music director/organist. The position will be part time (25 hours per week), 25K annual salary and includes the following: Preparation and performance of weekly Sunday worship at 10am as well as other special services during the liturgical year such as Advent and Lenten midweek evenings, Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, Easter. Serve as organist/music director for all funerals and weddings.

Organize, direct, enhance and maintain a joyful spirit among our existing musical ensembles, the Chancel Choir and the Handbell Choir. Partnership with our various congregational instrumentalists is desired and at the discretion of the music director, pastor and players. Oversee and maintain our musical instruments, music library and rehearsal spaces. Attend weekly staff meetings and engage in planning and supervisory meetings with the Pastor as mutually agreed to.

Other tasks and opportunities for leading the congregation in song to include growing a children's music program: Children's Choir – 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>, Youth Choir – 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>

Please send resume to [office@incarnationlutheran.com](mailto:office@incarnationlutheran.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](mailto: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.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:sfletcher@trumc.org).

**Wm. Jennings Bryan Dorn VAMC**, 6439 Garners Ferry Road Columbia, SC, Organist, Contact Christine Aldeguer, Sawyer Contracting, [office@sawyercontracting.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:irishclancy@yahoo.com), Phone: 803-804-1611

Closing Date: 10/15/2017

AGO members may contact [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com) for a more complete job description. Others, please contact [irishclancy@yahoo.com](mailto:irishclancy@yahoo.com).

## **LEXINGTON**

**Pilgrim Lutheran Church**, Lexington, SC, is seeking a part time organist. Responsibilities include one Sunday morning worship service (9AM) plus usual seasonal services. Instrument is a 3-manual Allen Renaissance. For additional information or to submit a resume, email Nancy Gibbons at [nancy@wearepilgrim.com](mailto:nancy@wearepilgrim.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](mailto:searchcommittee@slc.org). Questions can be directed to the Search Committee Chair, **George Metz**, at that email.

## **WEST COLUMBIA**

**Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church**, 3011 Leaphart Road, West Columbia, SC 29169. Needed immediately. This permanent part-time position includes directing adult and children's choirs, handbell choir, organist for Sunday morning blended service (traditional with contemporary) at 9:00 a.m. Zimmer 3 manual pipe organ and Yamaha Grand Piano. For more information, contact Pastor Mary Anderson at 803-794-6430 or [mwanderson140@gmail.com](mailto:mwanderson140@gmail.com). Submit resume and 3 references to: Wynne Price, E-mail: [wprice3@sc.rr.com](mailto:wprice3@sc.rr.com), Phone: 803-920-4087; Church phone: 803-794-6430; Fax: 803-227-2922;