

The Greater Columbia Organist



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Young Organist Competition Winner in Recital

Friday, November 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Reception following in Wesley Hall
Shandon United Methodist Church
3407 Devine Street
Columbia SC 29205

We welcome back to Columbia **Nhat Tong**, the winner of the 2019 Young Organist Competition sponsored by the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter. Nhat, along with his parents and his sister, made the long trip here from Houston, TX, for the March 9 competition. Nhat walked away with first prize after his performance of *Toccata and Fugue in D minor* by J. S. Bach and the *Final* from Symphony No. 1 by Louis Vierne,

Nhat is a sophomore at Strake Jesuit College Preparatory in Houston. In the summer of 2016, he began organ lessons with Dr. Jeong-Suk Bae, organ professor at the University of St. Thomas. In January 2018, he won Third Prize and the Hymn Playing Award at the UNCSEA Young Organist Competition. This was followed by his win in the 2019 competition here in Columbia. This past summer, he attended a Pipe Organ Encounter (Advanced) in which he was coached by acclaimed organists Ken Cowan, Isabelle Demers, and Daryl Robinson.

He has won gold medals in both the Houston Music Teachers Association and Fort Bend competitions for piano. As a violinist, he has performed both in his school orchestra and in the Houston Youth Symphony in which he was concert master for several seasons. An active church musician, he has played all three instruments with adult and children's choirs for several churches. In his free time, he likes to play basketball, fantasy football, and video games.

Nhat will be performing works by Bach, Purcell, Mendelssohn, Vierne, and John Williams. Please come to the recital and bring your friends. Let's give a warm welcome to this young artist.

[Click here to download a flyer to distribute at your church!](#)



Scholarships Available

The Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO has limited funds that may be used to award financial assistance for organists to further their skills, or to pianists with proficient keyboard skills who might be interested in learning to play the organ. Eligible candidates may be high school students, college students, or adults. Please share this information with those who might be interested in beginning organ lessons or in furthering their organ skills. Scholarships will be awarded in January and July. Contact Greg Stone for more information.

Greg Stone
Dean, Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO

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Columbia, SC 29205
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Free AGO Memberships Available!

Free membership to the American Guild of Organists is available to students taking organ lessons. High School students taking organ lessons from a current member of the Greater Columbia Chapter qualify for a chapter membership. College students majoring in a music program and taking organ lessons from a current member of the Greater Columbia Chapter qualify for a national membership, which includes a chapter membership. Contact [Susan Sturkie](mailto:Susan.Sturkie@ago.org) for more details!



Teacher Information

Occasionally, our chapter is contacted for names of AGO members who teach organ, piano, or voice. If you teach one or all of these, please contact Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com with information about what you teach and biographical information containing your degrees and other information pertaining to your qualifications to teach in these areas.

Great Turnout for Pipe Organ Discovery Day!

Our *Pipe Organ Discovery Day* on October 19 was well-attended, with over 50 people of all ages present, including members and non-members. There were a dozen young people ranging from age 4 to senior in high school. Organ builder Stephen Spake explained the workings of pipe organs using the 25-note, one-rank pipe organ he has built, with individual chests, keys, pipes, and wind supply. He also demonstrated both mechanical and electro-pneumatic key action using two display boards with functioning keys. The young people enjoyed assembling the small pipe organ, playing both instruments, and eating pizza. Attendees were given copies of AGO's booklet, *A Young Person's Guide to the Pipe Organ*. We extend our appreciation to AGO member David Lowry and The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd for hosting the event.



WINNERS OF PREVIOUS YOUNG ORGANIST COMPETITIONS

continue to make us proud. This summer, Alden Wright, winner of the 2014 competition and Clara Gerdes, second place winner in the same year, both performed on the Stigall Scholars recital series in Charlotte, NC. Alden is in his junior year at Eastman School of Music where he studies with Nathan Laube. Clara has just completed her undergraduate degree at the Curtis Institute of Music and is a first-year graduate student at Yale Institute of Sacred Music.

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Mark your calendars now for the competition on **Saturday, March 7, 2020**, at Shandon United Methodist Church.

On **Friday evening, March 6, 2020**, Jacob Reed, the 2011 winner, will perform a recital at Trinity Cathedral. Be sure to save both dates in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Young Organist Competition.

Organ Workshop on Colors of the Organ

Clinician: Dan Miller

Time/Date: 10:00 a.m. to Noon, November 9, 2019

Location: Lutheran Church of Our Saviour,
2600 Wade Hampton Blvd, Greenville, SC

Workshop is Free and lunch will be provided at the end of the workshop

Contact: Al Murrell to register by Nov. 6, 2019
at: amurrell@dafferorgans.com

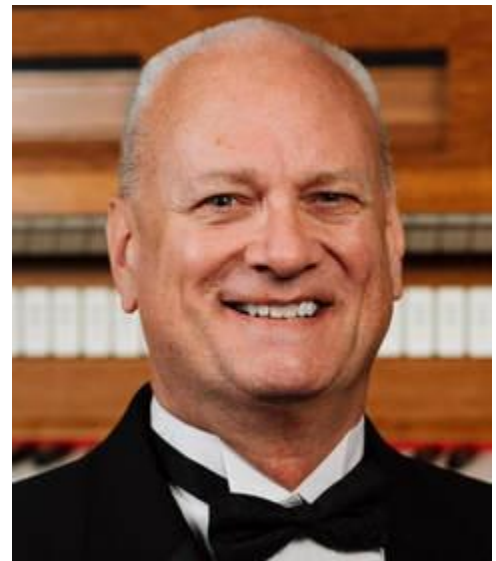
Organ Dedication Concert

Artist: Dan Miller

Time/Date: 4:00 p.m., November 10, 2019 - Reception to follow

Location: Lutheran Church of Our Saviour,
2600 Wade Hampton Blvd, Greenville, SC

Organ: Rodgers Infinity 484 four manual organ



DAN MILLER

In considering the scope of Dan Miller's gifted career, one finds it embraces the entire gamut of musical artistry. He is internationally renowned as a pianist, organist, harpsichordist and keyboardist, and has a fascination with computer music technology. He has taught music, conducted choral groups and orchestras, led and facilitated worship in many different settings, and managed large concert productions and music conferences. He is also respected as an innovative leader in handbells. Affiliated with ASCAP, Mr. Miller is well known for his composing and arranging, and has several published works to his credit. He has been seen and heard live in concert and through recordings on radio, television, and the Internet. He has been the featured solo organist with the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra, the Charlotte Philharmonic Orchestra, the Florida Philharmonic, The King's Brass, and other ensembles. Mr. Miller holds the distinguished position of Product Manager at Rodgers Instruments LLC, one of the world's leading organ builders, in Hillsboro, Oregon.

A church organist since age fifteen, Dan Miller has served at several notable churches. At Calvary Church in Charlotte, North Carolina, he presided over the world's thirteenth largest pipe organ; at Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, he served as assistant organist to Diane Bish. Mr. Miller holds a Church Music Diploma from Moody Bible Institute. He majored in organ performance at the American Conservatory of Music, holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Florida Atlantic University, and a Master of Music degree in Organ Performance from Winthrop University.



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FIRST FRIDAYS

LUNCH & ORGAN CONCERTS

On the first Friday of each month enjoy lunch and coffee in Jackson Hall followed by a 30-minute organ concert in the Sanctuary.

12:00 LUNCH

JACKSON HALL

12:30 CONCERT

SANCTUARY

2019

SEPTEMBER 6 - The French Tradition
Music of Alain, Duruflé, and Gigout

OCTOBER 4 - Vince Treadway of First
Presbyterian Church (ARP) of Lake Wales
plays music of Widor and Bédard

NOVEMBER 1 - Psalm Settings of
Sweelinck, Bach, and Howells

DECEMBER - *No December First Fridays.
Please plan to attend the Christmas Concert
of Vivaldi, Gloria and Bach, Magnificat on
Friday, December 6, 7:00pm.*

First Presbyterian Church
1324 Marion Street
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Ulrik Spang-Hanssen

Organist | Direct from the Royal Academy in Denmark

4 p.m.

Sunday, November 3



Free admission.

**Contributions
appreciated
to defer costs.**



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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

NOV. 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

“What God does is well done”
J.S. Bach, BWV 98
Choir of Men & Boys

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

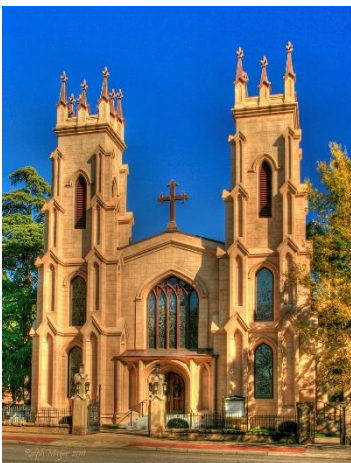
“What my God wills always occurs”
J.S. Bach, BWV 111
Cathedral Singers

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.

THE 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

HS Organists

Save the Dates:
Jan.31–Feb.2, 2020

HS Organ Festival & Competition

hosted by
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co-sponsored by
Piedmont NC AGO Chapter
Application &
recording
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Click HERE for more information,
or contact Dr. Timothy Olsen
olsent@uncsa.edu 336.770.3254

For more information, click <http://www.timothyolsenorganist.com/hs-competition.html>



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

November Birthdays

- 11/01 *Charlene Shealy-Lanford*
- 11/04 *Beverly Salley*
- 11/04 *Monty Bennett*
- 11/11 *Joy Ackerman*
- 11/16 *Keith Taylor*
- 11/17 *Margaret Davis*
- 11/26 *Louis Shirer*
- 11/26 *Frances Webb*
- 11/29 *Elisa Moskovitz*

Young Organist Competition 2020



sponsored by the
Greater Columbia AGO Chapter

Saturday, March 7, 2020
Columbia, S.C.

Open to grades 8–12

First Prize \$1,500
Second Prize \$1,000
Third Prize \$750
Hymn Playing Award \$300
Bach Playing Award \$300

For rules and application see
Young Organist Competition 2020
at www.columbiaago.org

Standard of Excellence



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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THE 282ND ARMY BAND

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WITH CHOIR & ORGAN

November 10, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.
Shandon United Methodist Church

A Patriotic Concert with Fort Jackson's 282nd Army Band
plus

The *Organ Symphony* of Camille Saint-Saëns
featuring Organist Debbie Bauer

John Williams' *Hymn to the Fallen* from *Saving Private Ryan*
with the Shandon UMC Chancel Choir



BOTH EVENTS HOSTED BY

Hibben United Methodist Church

690 Coleman Blvd • Mt. Pleasant, SC • 843.884.9761
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Meet the Maestro Workshop

Saturday, November 9, 2019 • 10AM-12PM

Here's your chance to learn from internationally renowned musician Maestro Hector Olivera.



Maestro Hector Olivera

Free workshop with light lunch at noon. RSVP required.

Contact: George Hiatt of Fox Music: 843.296.8901 • georgehiattallenorgans@gmail.com

Maestro Hector Olivera in Concert

Sunday, November 10, 2019 • 4PM

Experience the masterful music of the Maestro on Hibben United Methodist Church's new custom designed Allen 4-manual organ.

This free event is open to the public and followed by a Meet the Artist reception.



The Charleston Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) will hold its monthly meeting at Hibben UMC
Tuesday, November 19, 2019, at 7PM.
You are welcome to attend.

Watch for details of Hibben's 2020 recital/program series with events to be announced after the first of the year.



4248 Dorchester Road
(between I-26 and I-526)
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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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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.

BOONE, NC

****Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church** - Organist and Choir Accompanist. Grace is seeking a talented musician to provide the primary instrumental music for all worship services and choir rehearsals. This part-time position will require a musician with excellent organ and piano skills. A full position description is available at www.graceboone.org. Qualified candidates may send resumes to the Director of Music Ministry, Libby Brown. libbster9988@gmail.com.

CAMDEN

Lyttleton 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.

CHESTER

Purity Presbyterian Church 135 Wylie Street, P.O. Box 278 Chester, SC 803-377-8176

Director of Music/Organist. Austin Pipe Organ, 1976, 38 ranks and a movable, two manual console, designed for worship service and for concert use.

Job Description Purpose: The Director of Music & Organist is foremost a disciple of Jesus Christ who seeks to give glory to God and enrich the congregation's encounter with God by utilizing musical talents to provide sacred music during scheduled worship services and other activities, supporting the music ministry and worship at Purity Presbyterian Church. The ideal candidate will be familiar with Presbyterian theology and traditions or demonstrate a willingness to learn to preserve a Christ-centered worship experience which glorifies God and honors our rich heritage. See full job description at <https://www.puritypc.org> under "Worship." Send resumes to: Rev. Jason W. Myers at puritypcpastor@truvista.net

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).

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.

McGregor Presbyterian Preschool, 6505 St. Andrews Rd., Columbia SC 29212 is seeking a part-time Music Teacher in their week-day morning program serving children from 2 to 4 years old. Responsibilities include teaching one day a week, to equal 6 hours per month. Candidates must have a background in working with young children. Preference will be given to those with experience in teaching music to young children. The position is for the nine month school year. It is possible that this position could be expanded to include the position of Director of Children's Choirs for McGregor Presbyterian Church (USA). For more information, please contact Rhonda Marino, Preschool Director, at rmarino@mcgpres.org, or at (803)-781-2539.

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.

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.

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

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

LAURENS

First Presbyterian Church Director of Music

<https://www.firstpreslaurens.org/music-director-search>

The Director of Music is responsible for directing the Chancel Choir as well as developing and supporting all aspects of the music program including supervision of and/or directing (as necessary) the children's choirs. Encouraging, supporting and facilitating all musical talents present in the congregation are essential to this role.

This is a part-time position and salary is negotiable, depending on qualifications, experience and ability to perform as principal organist as well as Director of Music if required.

Responsibilities

1. Chancel Choir - Conducting and leading the church's Chancel Choir is the primary responsibility of the Music Director. This includes music planning, recruiting members, oversight of regular rehearsals, the preparation of the choir for their participation in the church's Sunday morning worship, organization and leadership for special choral events and conducting the Chancel Choir during the Sunday morning worship. Selections of music for use during the Worship Services should be done in coordination with the Senior Pastor.
2. Oversight of the Church's Musician(s)
3. Special Events
4. Summer Choir Break: It is the responsibility of the Director of Music to provide suitable special music during the month by arranging solos, quartets, or other music during this time.
5. Music, Records and Instrument Maintenance and Budget - The Director of Music will be primarily responsible for the oversight and support of all musical endeavors of the church. This includes facilitating and coordinating the use of facilities and instruments when desired by sanctioned church organizations in accordance with Church Policy and Procedures. This may also include performing on the organ (if also serving as organist) or piano during weddings, funerals or other events held in the church if requested to do so or coordinating with other performers on behalf of the church if necessary.

Correspondence and questions may be sent to email address fpclaurens@gmail.com or call the Church office at 864-984-6561 and someone will return your call.

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.

SAVANNAH

First Presbyterian Church, Savannah, GA is looking for a Director of Music and an Organist. **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** Responsibilities include directing the Chancel Choir (20 current participants), directing or supervising a graded choir program for children and youth (50 current participants), and a potential for directing handbell choirs for adults and youth. Other duties include collaborative worship planning with clergy, managing a concert series of 4 concerts per year, and administrative tasks necessary to maintain a vibrant music ministry. 25-32 hours per week, depending on responsibilities assumed. For the right candidate, the position may be combined with the open organist position to create a full-time job. **ORGANIST:** The church has a 2005 3 manual, 47 rank Schleuter organ and a 9-foot Steinway piano. Responsibilities include accompanying the Chancel Choir and the Youth Choir, playing one service on Sunday mornings, plus special services during Advent and Lent. Depending on qualifications and interest, there is an opportunity for directing handbell choir(s). 20-25 hours per week, depending on responsibilities assumed. For the right candidate, the position may be combined with the open Director of Music position to create a full-time job. For more information, email Sherry McBeath, search committee chair: musicsearch@savannahfpc.org. Resumes must be submitted by June 15, 2019. EOE/AA.

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