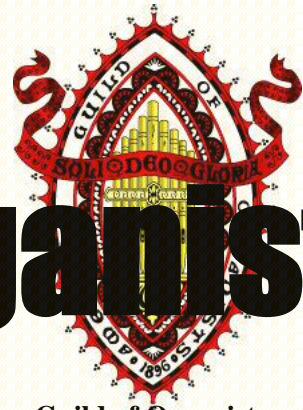


The Greater Columbia Organist



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OCTOBER ORGAN CRAWL IN CHARLOTTE

October 7, 2017

Meet at Good Shepherd Episcopal at 8:00 a.m. to carpool**
1512 Blanding Street, Columbia 29201



On Saturday, October 7, The Greater Columbia AGO Chapter is sponsoring an organ crawl to Charlotte to see three recent installations of pipe organs. The Greater Columbia Chapter sponsored a similar crawl eleven years ago, so this tour, arranged by dual member Dr. David Lowry, will feature these three organs installed since then. **Members of the Charlotte AGO Chapter are invited to join us for this enjoyable day.**

St. John's Baptist Church is a remarkable congregation with a fine building near Center City Charlotte in the Elizabeth community. Complementing a fine music program of choirs for children and adults is St. John's 2008 **Létourneau Organ, Opus 113**, 3 manuals, 35 stops, 43 ranks, installed in a favorable acoustic.

Providence United Methodist Church on Providence Road in 2013 saw the installation of the **Æolian-Skinner Opus 1472** that was built for the Kennedy Center concert hall in Washington, DC. The removal, transport and rebuilding was accomplished magnificently by **Phil Parkey OrganBuilders** of Norcross, Georgia. The large sanctuary provides a wonderful ambiance for this large, exciting organ. The organ is 3 manuals, 62 stops on the original console.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, directly in Center City Charlotte, is an 1895 edifice that was completely renovated in 2009 resulting in a most favorable space for the Episcopal liturgies. The crowning achievement is the **Fisk Organ, Opus 136**, 3 manuals, 32 independent voices, 41 ranks, completed in 2010. Since 1992 the church has supported a fine Choir School and supported a history of fine music for over a century.

The *tentative* itinerary is **St. John's at 10 a.m. and Providence at 11:30 a.m.** Following a lunch break, the tour concludes at **St. Peter's Episcopal at 2:30 p.m.** *We will notify you if any of the times have to be altered.* Please join us on our visit to Charlotte and its array of spectacular pipe organs.

****Carpool forms at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, 1512 Blanding Street, at 8:00 a.m. sharp.** You must let us know if you are going and whether you would be willing to drive. Please RSVP to Frances Webb at franceswebb@sc.rr.com by October 6 so that we can make plans.

Young Organist Competition Winner in Recital!

Friday, November 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

**Reception following in Wesley Hall
Shandon United Methodist Church
3407 Devine Street
Columbia SC 29205**

Bruce Xu, the 2017 winner of the Young Organist Competition sponsored by the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter will return to Columbia to perform a full-length solo recital in November. Bruce is 14 years old, a sophomore at UNCSA's high school, studying organ performance with Dr. Timothy Olsen. Bruce was recently Music Intern at Augsburg Lutheran Church in Winston-Salem, NC. He is also in the Cantata Singers of UNCSA. He began organ lessons with Jimrae Lenser at age 9, and then went on to study with Craig Williams. In the Spring/Summer of 2017, Bruce won first prize in six organ competitions: UNCSA/Salem College High School Organ Festival & Competition; Greater Columbia AGO Chapter Young Organist Competition; East Carolina University Young Artist Organ Competition; L. Cameron Johnson Memorial Organ Competition; Quimby/AGO Chapter Competition Atlanta, GA; and Quimby/AGO Southeast Regional Competition Jacksonville, FL. As RYCO winner for the Southeast Region, he will perform at the national AGO convention in Kansas City, MO, in the summer of 2018.



Update on Young Organist Competition Alumni



We continue our update of alumni from the Young Organist Competition this month as we check in on the 2012 winner **Carolyn Craig** from Nashville, TN. Carolyn has soared to new heights since her appearance in Columbia and she was featured as a "Rising Star" at the AGO National Convention in 2014. Her latest accomplishments were outlined in the August issue of *The American Organist*.

Carolyn Craig, a junior at the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University, has been awarded the 2017 Don Marler Church Music Scholarship, set up to honor the 36 years of Don Marler's music ministry at the church, where Matt Phelps is currently music minister. The \$4,000 scholarship is awarded each year by West End United Methodist Church in Nashville, TN, to an outstanding student whose goal is church music. Carolyn studies organ with Christopher Young and is minoring in German and choral conducting. She is the recipient of the university's prestigious Wells Scholarship. At the age of 17, Craig won the Region IV AGO/Quimby Competition and performed at the 2014 national AGO convention in Boston. She has since been heard on *Pipedreams* and has concertized frequently; upcoming engagements include St. Paul's Cathedral in London and Winchester Cathedral. In Bloomington she is the undergraduate organ scholar and a choral scholar at Trinity Episcopal Church under Marilyn Keiser, as well as accompanist for the Indiana University Children's Choir.

On a personal note, I was thrilled to hear Carolyn's performance of *Naiades* from *Pièces de Fantaisie*, Op. 55 by Louis Vierne on *PipeDreams* in October 2016 and to know that the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter had a part in launching her career. ~ Frances Webb

**HARTNESS ORGAN SERIES PRESENTS RECITAL
BY YOUNG AMERICAN VIRTUOSO
KATELYN EMERSON**

Thursday, October 5 at 8 p.m.

Charles E. Daniel Memorial Chapel on the Furman University
Campus



The 2017-18 Hartness Organ Series presents a recital by young American virtuoso Katelyn Emerson Thursday, Oct. 5 at 8 p.m. in the Charles E. Daniel Memorial Chapel on the Furman University campus.

The recital is open to the public. Tickets for the Sound Quality Concert Series event are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors, and \$5 for students.

Emerson, winner of the 2016 American Guild of Organists National Young Artists Competition in Organ Playing, will perform music by J.S. Bach, Josef Rheinberger, Charles-Marie Widor, Maurice Duruflé and Jean Langlais.

Emerson performs throughout the United States and Europe, showcasing repertoire from the 14th through 21st centuries and giving "superlative performances with musical precision," says the Worcester Chapter of American Guild of Organists.

Among the venues in which she has performed are the Cathedral of Poitiers (France), Krasnoyarsk Philharmonic Hall (Russia), the Cathedral of St. Quentin (Belgium), Hauptkirche St. Petri (Hamburg, Germany), and Severance Hall (Cleveland, Ohio).

In addition to her first prize in the 2016 AGO National Organ Playing Competition, she received the Jean Boyer Award in the Fifth International Organ Competition Pierre de Manchicourt (France). As the youngest of seven finalists in the VIII Mikael Tariverdiev International Organ Competition (Kalingrad, Russia), she was awarded Third Place and the title of "Laureate."

She serves as Associate Organist and Choirmaster of Boston's famed Church of the Advent, where she plays the historic Aeolian-Skinner organ and works with both professional and volunteer choirs.

Emerson's recital is this year's Belcher Organ Recital. This annual program, named in honor of Furman alumni the late Posey Belcher and his wife, Jean Orr Belcher, is made possible by an endowment created by the Belcher children, all of whom are Furman graduates.

For more information, contact the Furman University Music Department office at 864-294-2086, or email the department at FurmanMusic@furman.edu.


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Concert

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Rachmaninoff, Poulenc, Infante, and Piazzolla

Annette Matthews & Eddie Huss

Sunday, October 8

4:00 p.m. Sanctuary

Reception to follow on the East Lawn



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Hosted by the **BYU Organ Department**
and the **Greenville East Stake**

Hymn Sing/Organ Recital

Friday, October 6th, 7:00pm
All are welcome - Refreshments to follow

Organ Training

Saturday, October 7th, 8:15 am- 1:20 pm
A light breakfast and lunch will be provided

West Columbia Stake Center
1330 Whippoorwill Drive
West Columbia, SC 29169

All past, present and future organists are invited to join the
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- “Experiencing the Organ” - a track of classes specifically for youth
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Register for the Saturday Organ Training at
<https://byuorganists.wordpress.com/SC>

Local coordinator: Renee Johns | johnsrenee@gmail.com | (330)705-7137

All events are free and open to the public

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Sunday, November 5 at 4:00 p.m.

Tickets from \$15 to \$45 (\$12 for students and military) are available through the Cathedral music office (461-7306) and website (www.trinitysc.org/music).

CHORAL EVENSONG

Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

Join us at Trinity as the sun is setting for this service of readings, prayers, and music, and afterwards for hospitality and refreshments under the oaks in the Cathedral Courtyard.

CHORAL VESPERS

Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m.

A 15-minute service of music, scripture, and prayers to end the day.



The Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts **Handbell Festival**

Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017
Shandon UMC

8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Concert at 2:30 p.m.

Clinician: David Harris, Raleigh Ringers

\$25 before Sept. 1 - \$35 after Sept. 1
More information at www.southcarolinafellowship.org

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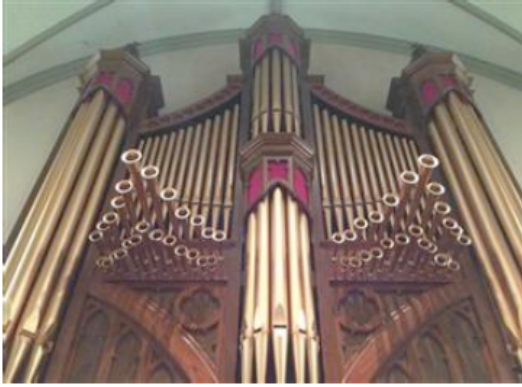
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Pipe Organ Directory

Be sure your church is included!

The Greater Columbia Chapter is embarking on a project to document the pipe organs in the Greater Columbia area. No decision is yet made if this will be in printed form or in digital form. In either case, we wish to publish the following information:

- The builder of the organ, or, if it is a rebuilt instrument, the builders.
- The date of installation or dates, if rebuilt.
- A picture of the space in which the organ is installed.
- A complete specification from a printed program or from the contract.
- Include brief information of any dedicatory event.
- List any recordings made on the instrument.

There are some “Gemini” organs (combination of pipe and digital sounds) and we will include them. There will be no attempt to list entirely digital organs.

We would appreciate receiving any or all of those items via USPS or on line. Please use an address listed below.

If any of the requested materials are not available, we will ask to come to the church and copy the specification and/or make any pictures.

This project clearly will take a few months and we appreciate your cooperation in collecting these materials, the sooner the better.

The reason for this project is mainly to establish a historical account of pipe organs in the Greater Columbia area. Similar projects have been done and are being done in several USA chapters.

Thanks for your help in this project.

Please send materials to:

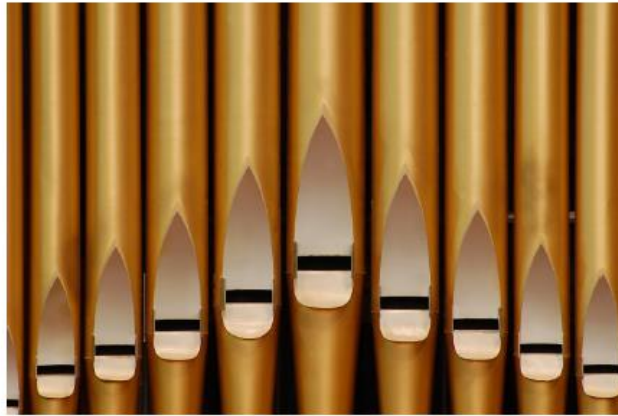
Dr. David Lowry, The Church of the Good Shepherd
1512 Blanding St., Columbia, SC 29201

Or to

DavidL1205@aol.com

The best telephone contact is mobile 803-608-1934.

Young Organist Competition 2018



sponsored by the
Greater Columbia AGO Chapter

Saturday, March 10, 2018
Columbia, S.C.

Open to grades 8–12

First Prize \$1,500

Second Prize \$1,000

Third Prize \$750

Hymn Playing Award \$250

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10/06 Don Grice
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10/15 Thomas Russell
10/16 Barbara Houser

Handbell Encounter

Sharpen basic ringing skills, learn/review handbell techniques and then ring music using those techniques!

Have fun connecting with other handbell enthusiasts in the area!



Saturday, November 4, 2017

8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Event Clinician: Dr. Lynn G. Atkins

Location:

*Living Springs Lutheran Church,
4224 Hard Scrabble Road
Columbia, SC 29223
www.livingspringscolumbia.org*

\$35 per person,

\$45 after October 20th

Contact Person for more information: George Donovan, 803-736-0661, ext. 1003

email music&worship@livingspringscolumbia.org

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.

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 . Church Office Phone: 843-524-3841

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

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

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.

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.

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.

ORANGEBURG

The Methodist Oaks in Orangeburg is seeking a pianist and/or organist for their 11:00 a.m. Sunday service at Stringer Chapel and also to play for choir practice at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday mornings. Please contact Rev. Meredith Dark at 864-597-9525 or at mmdark@umcsc.org.

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. Submit resume and 3 references to: Wynne Price, E-mail: wprice3@sc.rr.com, Phone: 803-920-4087; Church phone: 803-794-6430; Fax: 803-227-2922;