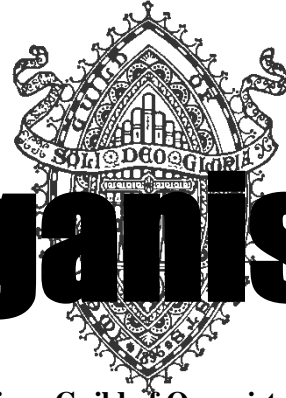


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AGO MAY MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Dear AGO Friends,

At this point in time, I'm sure that the vast majority of you are trying to recollect yourselves following Holy Week, Easter, and/or Passover services. I hope that you all had a wonderful holiday season this past month.

Originally, our AGO Board had planned to host a progressive luncheon on May 7th at three local churches. However, I just received word this evening that fewer than twenty of our members registered for the luncheon. I'm sure that you would agree that it is not fair to our volunteer recitalists to perform for such a small audience, so our Board will look into rescheduling this event for the early Fall, when we all are feeling a bit more refreshed. Keep an eye out for the summer issues of our AGO Newsletter to inform you of our 2011-12 schedule of concerts and workshops. And, please remember that if we want to have future progressive luncheons and dinners, then we need to have enough people register to make such an even possible to host.

I hope to see many of you at the 2011 Regional Convention in Greensboro, NC this June. As a reminder, this is our chance to see a convention in action before hosting our own convention here in Columbia in 2013.

In closing, I would like to thank each of the volunteers, performers, and churches who helped to make this past year of events so memorable! This past year we were thrilled by the likes of Professors David Higgs and Tom Murray, we had a marvelous opening convocation with local choirs and organists, we heard workshops and recitals by former AGO competition winners Tim Olsen and Dorothy Young Reiss, and we held our own High School Organ Performance Competition, and we even made time for holiday cheer with our annual Christmas party. None of these events would have been possible without the help of several hands. Again, I thank all of the hard workers and performers for making this a successful year.

Yours,

Dr. Patrick Hawkins
Dean, The Greater Columbia AGO

Please send information for June's newsletter to
tonyroof@windstream.net by May 20.

Upcoming Events



Larry Wyatt, director
Ann B. Wilson, accompanist

presents

Dixit Dominus — G.F. Handel
Magnificat in D, BWV 243 — J. S. Bach

with orchestra

Thursday, May 5, 2011
7:30 PM

Shandon United Methodist Church
3407 Devine Street
Columbia, SC 29205

\$10 admission at the door

More information: 803/777-5369

Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church,
1000 B Avenue,
West Columbia, South Carolina

Sunday, May 15, 2011
Peter Kolkay, bassoon
7 p.m.

Bassoonist Peter Kolkay has been awarded the Avery Fisher Career Grant and the First Prize at the Concert Artists Guild International Competition, the only artist on his instrument to be so honored. He has been named an Artist of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center for the 2010-11 season and is a former member of that organization's CMS Two program. Mr. Kolkay serves on the faculty of the University of South Carolina, and is a member of the IRIS Orchestra and the South Carolina Philharmonic. A native of Illinois, he has degrees from Yale University, Eastman School of Music, and Lawrence University.

**UNION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
7582 Woodrow Street, IRMO SOUTH CAROLINA**

presents

CONCERT SERIES

2010 – 2011

Sunday, May 15, 2011

3:00 pm

LAKE MURRAY SYMPHONY

with the CHOIRS of Union and Trenholm Road UMC

Featuring the 4th Movement of Beethoven's 9th Symphony,

"Ode to Joy"

Dr. Einar Anderson, Suzanne Ringer and
Paula Wilson, directors

Concerts are free.

Donations accepted for future Music Programs.

For information call (803) 781-3013 or
visit our website at www.unionunitedmethodist.org

Save the Date!

Craig Jessop is
coming to
Columbia for a
Choral Festival!

September 30th -
October 1, 2011

Pertinent information to be
released soon.

Sponsors:

- * Eastminster Presbyterian
- *Trenholm Road Methodist
- *Washington Street Methodist
- *Columbia AGO



Dr. Craig Jessop

- Former Music Director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir
- Former Head of Department of Music at Utah State University
- Founding Dean for the Caine College of the Arts at Utah State University
- Founder and Music Director of the American Festival Chorus and Orchestra

May Birthdays

5/10 Marilyn Wheeler
5/12 Elaine Sandberg
5/13 Sarah Fletcher
5/19 Justin DuRant
5/20 Arletta Raley
5/21 Andrew Pittman
5/24 Charles Owings
5/24 Joey Rothfuss
5/24 Lloyd Pilkington
5/28 James Mooney



Planning Ahead???

Region IV Convention, June 26-29, 2011 – Greensboro, NC.

For more information see: <http://www.ggago.org/convention/default.html>

Region IV POE 2011 – Birmingham, Alabama.

Watch for more information on their website: <http://orgs.bsc.edu/bhamago/>

National Convention, July 1-6, 2012 – Nashville, Tennessee.

For more information see: <http://www.nashvilleago.org/2012/index.htm>

Region IV Convention 2013 – Columbia, SC. Watch for more information on our website: <http://www.regional2013.org>

American Guild of Organists 2011 Region IV Convention
June 26 - 29, 2011 Greensboro, NC



Susan Bates • Rachel Laurin
Bel Canto Company • Henry Lebedinsky
Chelsea Chen • Wayne Leupold
Melva Costen • Dan Locklair
Pamela Decker • Ellen Markus
Robin Dinda • John Nordlie
Eastern Music Festival Orchestra • Timothy Olsen
Laura Ellis • The Raleigh Ringers
Karen Eshelman • Debbie Rice
Faythe Freese • Roy Roberts
Mark Freundt • Salem Moravian Band
Sandy Holland • Margaret Sandresky
Calvert Johnson • Gillian Weir
Joyce Jones • Andrew Willis
Kernersville Moravian Band
James David Christie

Visit <http://www.ggago.org/carolinacelebration.html> for more information!



**** NEW LISTING**

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

CAMDEN

****Grace Episcopal Church**, 1315 Lyttleton St., Camden, SC 29020, is seeking a permanent part-time organist. Duties include accompanying weekly choir practice and playing for one Sunday service @ 10:30, seasonal liturgies, funerals, and weddings. Salary is negotiable, based on the qualifications of the applicant. The organ is a two- manual, 12 rank Casavant. Please send resume to the address above c/o Louise Burns (choir director) or email her at burnshdw@aol.com.

COLUMBIA

Centennial Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, 1413 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201 has an immediate opening for a Part Time Sanctuary Choir Director and Organist. Duties will include conducting the Sanctuary Choir at weekly rehearsals and leading the Choir and playing the organ for one Traditional Worship Service per week. Additional efforts will be required for seasonal performances such as Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas plus funerals. The person in this position is expected to grow our Sanctuary Choir Program and coordinate Choir activities with the Directors of the Hand Bell Choir and Youth Choir. The ideal candidate will have an advanced music degree and 10 years experience as a Choir Director and Organist. A complete Job Description can be obtained by calling (803) 765-0368. Please submit a copy of your resume and salary requirements to the above address Attention: Search Committee Chairman centennialarp@bellsouth.net

****College Place United Methodist Church**, 4801 Colonial Drive, Columbia 29203 is in need of a Music and Creative Arts Director and Organist. In the past, we have employed two persons for each of these positions; however, we are open to hiring one person who is gifted and skilled to do both positions with excellence. We have a traditional choir that sings on Sundays. It would be wonderful to have someone(s) that has gifts to aide with blending other styles of music into our traditional service. Both organist and Music and Arts Director are permanent part time positions. A resume and a statement regarding the importance of music and creative arts in worship may be sent to Rev. Tiffany Knowlin at tknowlin@bellsouth.net. For more information you may contact Rev. Knowlin at 803-754-5342.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3909 Forest Drive, Columbia 29204. Part-time Director of Music Ministry. Applicants should be comfortable with Lutheran liturgy, serving as part of a team, and working with adults, youth, and children. Primary responsibilities include the weekly direction of the two Sunday morning choirs (traditional and contemporary), the children's music program, and the redevelopment of a handbell choir and youth choir. A full job description is available at www.gslc.com. Please send contact information and attached resume to gslcemployment@gmail.com.

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Columbia, South Carolina seeks a Choir Director for one adult and one children's choir. Duties would include conducting the choirs at the weekly rehearsals and Sunday Services, and for all Holy Day Services. This is approximately a quarter-time position. Bachelor's Degree required. Salary range: \$10,000-11,000. Employment would begin August 1, 2011. Send letters of interest and resumes to: St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 1416 Broad River Rd., Columbia, SC, 29210 or e-mail: jtrump@salutheran.com.

****Saint Joseph Catholic Church, www.stjosephcolumbia.org** 1800 family parish seeks Music Director with strong pastoral, organ, improvisational, liturgical, organizational, word processing/tech skills, Catholic parish experience. Incumbent director, Teresa Riley, is retiring after 30 years of distinguished service: graded choral and cantor program in place. Allen organ is temporary: new director would help in designing a new pipe organ. Parish school (grades preK-6), Cardinal Newman High School, and USC School of Music provide multiple resources for music ministry recruitment. Competitive salary and benefits (full-time AGO standard). Also see ads on AGO National, NPM job hotline. Send seasonal or annual repertory list (hymns, anthems, Mass settings, organ voluntaries); audio samples (choral, solo organ, hymn playing with improvised bridge/modulation); samples of desk-top publishing (Order of Worship, web design, and/or program flier), with résumé and references to Msgr. Richard D. Harris, Pastor and Vicar General at SaintJosephColumbia@gmail.com . Only digital applications at this time: no phone calls, please.

DAVIDSON, NC

St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Davidson, NC, seeks a Music Director-Organist to lead and develop the music ministry in an active parish of 600. Two services, 20 hours, salary negotiable based on education and experience. Historic 1865 II/17 George Stevens tracker organ in acoustically impressive nave. Chancel and children's choirs Sept.– May.

Strong candidate will be familiar with Episcopal liturgy, comfortable and competent with organ and directing voices, experienced and flexible regarding musical style, selection and tradition, and have experience with adult and youth choir development. We seek a leader whose talent and commitment to music ministry will enhance the worship experience of all.

Résumé and cover letter may be sent to The Rev. David Buck at dbuck@gostalbens.org. For more information, visit <http://www.saintalbens-davidson.org> .

CLINTON

Broad Street United Methodist Church in Clinton, SC is seeking a part-time Director of Music and/or Organist. Broad Street has a traditional worship service and a contemporary service on Sunday mornings. The Director is expected to rehearse and direct the chancel choir and the adult bell choir, and coordinate with the pastor on worship music. The Director will also provide leadership for the contemporary service "praise band" and worship team. Staff musicians shall work to sustain and to grow our musical programs and to enrich the Congregation's worship experience. The salary for the separate or combined positions will be negotiated commensurate with the level of education and experience of the applicant. The positions will be available beginning in January, 2011. Send resumes and contact information to BSUMC, PO Box 204, Clinton, SC 29325, or BSUMC e-mail address info@broadstreet-umc.org (Phone number 864-833-0177.) Broad Street is a three hundred member church located in downtown Clinton, a city of 9,000 people in the Piedmont Region of South Carolina. The sanctuary is equipped with a new sound system, a three manual Zimmer pipe organ and a Yamaha grand piano. The church has an extensive choral library and a dedicated rehearsal space.

DENMARK

Bethel Park UMC 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 7pm. Our Sunday morning worship service is at 11am. We will offer a salary commensurate with experience. If interested, please forward resume, including references to Attn: PPRC, Bethel Park United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 207, Denmark, South Carolina 29042. bethelparkumc@bellsouth.net .

GILBERT

Gilbert United Methodist Church is seeking part/full-time church pianist/organist for 11:00 AM traditional worship service. Salary negotiable. Send resume to Gilbert United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 142, Gilbert SC 29054. Attn: John Nix. 803-892-3546

FLORENCE

Cross and Crown Lutheran, PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES. P/T Director of Music Ministries needed for Florence, SC church. 10 hours per week. Duties include planning and coordinating the congregation's music program, direct the choir, and participate in planning of worship and other musical activities. Education and experience appropriate for a professional church keyboard musician is desired. Please send resume to: Cross and Crown, 3123 W. Palmetto St. Florence. info@cross-n-crown.org

St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Organist (10 hours). St. John's Episcopal Church, 252 S. Dargan Street, Florence, SC 29506. Phone: (843) 662-5585; fax: (843) 669-9443; e-mail: twilliams@stjohnsflorence.org; website: www.stjohnsflorence.org. The Music Ministry of this traditional 240-family parish church includes an annual concert series, annual regional choir workshop, summer choir camp, and 28-voice choir. Duties include accompanying weekly choir practice and playing for one Sunday service/week, seasonal liturgies, funerals, and weddings. The parish is seeking a competent musician with solid keyboard skills and a background in classical repertoire. A bachelor degree in music is preferred. Dedication to one's ministry, strong work ethic, excellent organizational skills, and ability to work collaboratively are essential to the continuing development of a rapidly growing, vibrant music ministry. 2-manual, 9-rank Moller pipe organ. \$11,000 (additional stipend for weddings). Send résumé, references, and audition tape/CD to Tammy Williams, Minister of Music.

MT. PLEASANT, SC

East Cooper Baptist Church, 361 Egypt Road, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464 is seeking a part-time Organist for our Sanctuary Services. This position will entail time for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings, playing for two of our morning services on Sunday morning, and personal rehearsal time. This person must have a passion for the Lord and for corporate worship, be a qualified and experienced organist, and be a flexible "team player." If you are interested in being a part of a wonderful worship team, using your gifts to lead others in worship, please send resume to jennifer@ecbconline.com for more information. East Cooper has a full music program, including large orchestra and an Arts Academy. You can find out more about the church at www.ecbconline.com. Dean Henderson, Worship Pastor - (843) 856-3222 ext. 2041, (843) 856-1136 (fax)

NEWBERRY

Colony Lutheran Church, 48 Colony Church Rd., Newberry, SC. **Director of Music/Organist, Part-time.** Located half-way between Prosperity and Newberry on USH#76. One Sunday Worship @ 11:00 a.m. Baldwin 636, 2 manual electronic organ, handbells. Salary negotiable. For more info, contact Worship & Music Chairperson Bettye H. Fulmer @ 803-276-7998, or Pastor Jerry Trantham @ 803-276-7151, colonylc@bellsouth.net.

POMARIA

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 2496 SC Highway 773, Pomaria. Choir Director/Organist. One Service/One Practice, Sunday morning. Contact Pastor Brent Nichols: nicholsfive@juno.com, (803)924-4851.

SALUDA

St. Paul UMC, 102 E. Butler Ave., Saluda, SC. Permanent, part-time Organist. Two services on Sunday (9 & 11) and choir rehearsal on Wednesday evening. We are looking for someone proficient on organ and piano, who can accompany a choir, and provide prelude, offertory and postlude. Salary is negotiable, based on the qualifications and needs of the applicant. Please send resume and references to Rev. Robert Cox, Pastor, St. Paul UMC, 102 E. Butler Ave., Saluda, SC 29138 or email to pastor@stpaulsaluda.com. I can receive both Word and PDF documents.

ST. MATTHEWS

St. Paul United Methodist Church, Choir/Music Director & Organist, one or two positions. (Contact Susan for Job Description.)

WEST COLUMBIA

Our Saviour Lutheran Church in West Columbia, SC is seeking a Handbell Director. The candidate will be responsible for planning, practice, and conducting for selected services. Our bell choir currently practices September through May on Wednesday evenings. Worship service is Sundays at 10:30. Salary for this position is negotiable. If interested, please call Pastor Lance Henderson at 803-794-8180 or email him at oslcpastor@sc.rr.com

Springdale Baptist Church is seeking an organist to play Sunday morning and evening services. The candidate should be proficient in both traditional and contemporary worship genres. Occasionally the organist may be required to accompany anthems for the choir during Wednesday evening rehearsals. Please send resumes to Springdale Baptist, Attention: Personnel, 357 Wattling Rd., West Columbia, SC 29170 or email to: jonathan@springdalebaptist.org