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## SEPTEMBER MEETING

“Exploring the World of Square Pianos”  
Lecture-Recital by Dr. Patrick Hawkins

Friday, September 25, 2015  
7:00 p.m.

1410 Glenwood Road  
Columbia SC 29204

What exactly is a square piano? When were they invented and who played upon them? What differences are there between the various types of square pianos? What famous organists and other keyboardists owned square pianos? If I'm interested in owning one, how do I get one and who can restore it for me? These are just some of the questions that will be addressed by Patrick Hawkins during an informal lecture-recital at the home of Patrick Hawkins and Emmett Kirwan (1410 Glenwood Road, Columbia, SC 29204).

Two square pianos will be demonstrated: a Christopher Ganer (c. 1790) and a William Geib (1831). Attendees are encouraged to bring music and have fun playing upon these historic keyboard instruments.

*Watch for more information about food and parking.*



# IT IS NOW TIME

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the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO  
to pay their 2015-2016 DUES.



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- **If you have any change in your directory information (addresses, position, etc.), please remember to update that on the national website, also.**

**YOUR LOCAL DIRECTORY INFORMATION WILL BE TAKEN FROM THIS PLACE.**

- Donations to the LOCAL CHAPTER and to our YOUNG ORGANIST COMPETITION can also be made online through the same address.
- If you would like to sign up to serve as a substitute musician, there is also a section for that information.
- You may pay your dues by credit card online or you may print the invoice and mail it with your check to the national address on the invoice. You may also send money for the chapter and for the Young Organist Competition through the national office.

\*IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS, PLEASE CONTACT SUSAN STURKIE AT  
SLOOPYSTUR@AOL.COM OR (803) 788-6807.

*Please send information for September's newsletter to  
[tonyroof@windstream.net](mailto:tonyroof@windstream.net) by August 20.*

# October Program

## Stephen Hamilton, concert organist

Friday, October 16, 2015

7:00 p.m.

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary

Columbia SC 29203

Reception following

Stephen Hamilton, virtuoso concert organist, has long been prominent on the American organ scene. He is a thoroughly engaging artist and has firmly established his reputation as a leading and much sought-after personality. He will perform a program of works by Pasquini, Valente, J.S.Bach, Walcha, Alain, Messiaen, and Ginastera on the 42-rank Flentrop instrument at the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary.



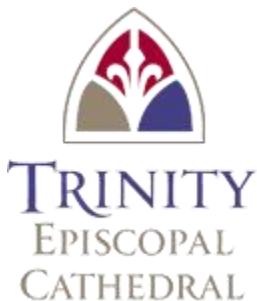
Workshop: New Music for Organ

Saturday, October 17, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary

Mr. Hamilton will conduct a workshop on new music for organ. Church organists looking for something new and fresh will be introduced to recent compositions by well-known composers.



## The weekly 4:00 p.m. service of CHORAL EVENSONG at Trinity Cathedral resumes on Sunday, August 23

Choral Evensong offers the finest elements of Anglican liturgy, and Trinity Cathedral welcomes all people for this service of readings, prayers, and music.

Join us following Evensong for hospitality and refreshments under the oaks on the Cathedral Lawn.

1100 Sumter Street in Columbia

[www.trinitysc.org/music](http://www.trinitysc.org/music)

# *In Concert* CHRISTOPH BULL



Christoph Bull is based in Los Angeles, where in addition to his activities as a concert organist, composer, singer-songwriter, speaker, university organist and organ professor at University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), he is organist-in-residence at First Congregational Church of Los Angeles, playing the largest church pipe organ in the world.

## RIVER ROAD CHURCH

8000 River Road | Richmond, VA 23229

7:00 PM on **September 15, 2015**

*For more information contact*



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8/04 **BILL SCOBEE**  
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8/19 **MARK HUSEY**

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# POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

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### **AUGUSTA, GA**

***Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church***; 2261 Walton Way; Augusta, GA 30904

Organist Search: Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church (PC-USA), an historic congregation in Augusta, Georgia with a long tradition of musical excellence in worship, invites applications for the part-time position of church organist. The organist plays for choral rehearsals and one traditional service of worship each Sunday. The church has a 3-manual, 65-rank Schantz organ in four divisions, and a 9' Hamburg Steinway piano in the sanctuary. The Ministry of Music currently consists of the Chancel Choir, Adult Handbells, Children's Choir, Steel-Drum Band, Woodwind Ensemble, High School Women's Ensemble, and Brass Ensemble. Recent presentation by the Chancel Choir have included Handel's Messiah and Poulenc's Gloria. Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in music required; advanced degree in organ or sacred music preferred. Minimum of three years' experience in service-playing, accompanying at the organ and piano, and hymn-playing required. Ability to sight-read accompaniments of moderate difficulty. Familiarity with traditional Reformed worship. Duties: Play for rehearsals of the Chancel Choir, possibly also Children's Choir. Direct/accompany the High School Women's Ensemble. Other duties as assigned or as match the successful candidate's skills and interests. The Church Organist has right of first refusal for weddings and funerals, and is compensated separately for each. Assist with production of John G. Schaeffer Memorial Organ Concert, a biennial event featuring organists of national/international reputation. Position reports to the Director of Music. Salary: Compensation is competitive, in accordance with AGO guidelines. (\$18,000-\$22,000) Deadline: Review of applications is under way, and will continue until the position is filled. To apply, send a letter of interest, a resume or CV, and a list of four professional references to: Organist Search-Music Ministry; Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church; 2261 Walton Way; Augusta, GA 30904. Do not send recordings at this time. For more information, contact Dr. Richard Cook, Director of Music: [rcook@reidchurchaugusta.org](mailto:rcook@reidchurchaugusta.org).

### **BISHOPVILLE**

***Bishopville United Methodist Church***, 115 W. Church St., Bishopville, SC 29010 has an immediate opening for a part-time Organist or Organist/Choir Director. Job requirements are Wednesday evening choir practice, Sunday pre-worship practice, worship service (11 a.m.), special services, and funeral services. Salary is commensurate with responsibilities of individual(s). The instrument is a 15 rank, 2 manual, 1978 Austin organ maintained by Tim Smith of Smith Pipe Organ Service who can be contacted at 803-342-8731 or [tgsmith@comporium.net](mailto:tgsmith@comporium.net). Please direct all inquired to Don at 843-339-8611 or [dgrant@mantissarow.com](mailto:dgrant@mantissarow.com)

### **CAYCE**

***Cayce United Methodist Church***, 1600 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Cayce, SC 29033 is seeking a part time organist/choir accompanist. The organist will play for one traditional Sunday morning service (10:30 AM), Wednesday evening rehearsal (6:30-8:00 PM), and special services as needed. Our organ model is an Allen MDS 71-S. Contact Craig Coelho at [Craig.Coelho@gmail.com](mailto:Craig.Coelho@gmail.com) or call (803)-239-6364 for more information.

***State Street Baptist Church*** is seeking a part time Music Director/Worship Leader who will be responsible for leading the church's graded choir program including directing the adult choir and leading the worship service (blended). Please send resume to the Personnel Committee Attention Jay Zeigler, State Street Baptist Church; 1420 State Street; Cayce, SC 29033 or email to [jay.zeigler@amcor.com](mailto:jay.zeigler@amcor.com)

***Transfiguration Lutheran Church***, 1301 Twelfth Street, Cayce, SC 29033 has an immediate opening for a part-time Music Director to include organist, pianist, adult choir director, and handbell director. Job requirements are Wednesday evening choir practices, Sunday morning pre-worship practice, worship service (10 a.m.), special services, and funeral services. Qualified applicants should email resume and letter of interest to Terri Alexander at [tcalex85@gmail.com](mailto:tcalex85@gmail.com) or call 803-315-5201.

## **CHAPIN**

**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](mailto:chapbutler@gmail.com).

## **COLUMBIA**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**, 7239 Patterson Road, 29209, PO Box 9161, Columbia, 29290-9161, 803/776-3050. Parish musician; Weekly Eucharist at 10:45 Sunday and seasonal services. Blended style of worship using three hymnals, piano and organ. Organ is an 1861 E. and G. G. Hook tracker, one manual. Knowledge of liturgical style of worship important. Please call Pastor Mark Buchan at 803/776-3050, email at [pastormarkctk@gmail.com](mailto:pastormarkctk@gmail.com) or send a resume to the mailing address above.

**\*\*Ebenezer Lutheran Church** 1301 Richland St, Columbia, SC 29201, Full-Time Director of Music Ministries. Ebenezer seeks an experienced musician and worship leader to support the congregation in its worship and musical life. This person will work closely with the pastoral staff in planning and leading congregational worship; direct and/or supports all choral and instrumental groups; and serve as the Artistic Director for Ebenezer's community music organization, Patrons and Friends of the Arts at Ebenezer. Exemplary organ and piano skills, choral directing experience, the ability to work collaboratively with others, and a desire to support spiritual growth among congregational members are essential. Competitive salary and benefits package. Full job description is available at our website, [www.ebenezerlutheran.org](http://www.ebenezerlutheran.org). Applicants may submit a letter of introduction, resume and three references to Director Search Team, c/o Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 1301 Richland St, Columbia, SC 29201, or to [ELCsearch@zoho.com](mailto:ELCsearch@zoho.com).

**Ft. Jackson Chapel, Catholic Service, Main Post Chapel.** Keyboardist/Organist for Catholic Service on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Contact Tharon Honeycutt, President, MSB Analytics, Inc., at his cellphone: 256-541-1593 or email him at: [Tharon.honeycutt@msbainc.com](mailto:Tharon.honeycutt@msbainc.com).

**Gethsemane Lutheran Church**, 6904 Satchelford Road, 29206, is seeking a part-time Organist and Choir Director starting in August 2014. (Contact Susan Sturkie at [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com) or the church contact person for a complete job description.) Qualified applicants should email resume and letter of interest to Elizabeth Barrett at [elbarrett@ymail.com](mailto:elbarrett@ymail.com) or call 803-553-0362.

**North Trenholm Baptist Church**, 6515 N. Trenholm Rd., Columbia SC 29206 has an immediate opening for a part-time Organist. Job requirement is for Traditional Worship service, Sunday mornings only 8:00 AM- 10:00 AM, and perhaps a special service during the year. Salary is commensurate with responsibilities of individual. The instrument is a Baldwin Model B290-2 manual. Please contact Michael Cates, M.Div., [michael@ntbc.org](mailto:michael@ntbc.org) or 803- 518-4567.

**Sandlapper Singers Artistic Director.** Position available July 1, 2016. The Artistic Director of the Sandlapper Singers is a part-time position that currently includes eight two-hour weekly rehearsals prior to each series concert as well as time used for selecting repertoire and traveling to and performing at concerts. Salary is negotiable, based on education and experience. For full job description, please visit [www.sandlappersingers.org](http://www.sandlappersingers.org). Submit cover letter, resume, and the names and contact information of at least three references to [searchcommittee@sandlappersingers.org](mailto:searchcommittee@sandlappersingers.org). Finalists should be prepared to submit a video of a rehearsal and to participate in an actual rehearsal and concert during the 2015-16 season. Please, no telephone calls.

## **GILBERT**

**Cherokee Presbyterian Church**, 3622 Augusta Highway, Gilbert, SC 29054 (803) 356-4289 Music Director. Please forward your resume to [contact@cherokeepresbytrian.com](mailto:contact@cherokeepresbytrian.com) Description: The church musician is responsible for planning and leading the music played and sung during worship services in accordance with the mission, vision and values of Cherokee Presbyterian Church. Director has experience and training in contemporary and traditional church worship music, directing a band, leading singers, providing leadership and management, and experience in creating a clear professional sound. (For complete job description, contact the church or Susan Sturkie at [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com).)

## **HILTON HEAD ISLAND**

**\*\* First Presbyterian Church**, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, is seeking a church organist for immediate employment. First Presbyterian has a rich and distinguished tradition of excellence in music ministry. One of the largest churches in the Charleston Atlantic Presbytery, First Presbyterian has a membership of over 1500 and is located on beautiful Hilton Head Island, SC. The instrument is a three-manual pipe organ built in 1988 by the Austin Organ, Inc. and contains 48 ranks with remote Trompette à Chamade. Salary: \$25,000-\$35,000 (negotiable, commensurate with experience, education, and qualifications, and in accordance with AGO guidelines) To ascertain interest and qualifications, those seeking to apply should request a copy of the job description from: Tom Heberling, Chairman of Organist Search Committee, First Presbyterian Church, 540 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29928, (843) 681-3696 (daytime); (843) 290-3942 (evening) Email: [organist@fpchhi.org](mailto:organist@fpchhi.org)

## **NEWBERRY**

**Mayer Memorial Lutheran Church**. Part time organist/choir director-1 Sun. a.m. service, 1 choir rehearsal. Sent resume to 1307 Drayton Street, Newberry, SC 29108 or call 803-276-3163 for more information.

## **SPARTANBURG**

**\*\*Central United Methodist Church**, Music Director. Part-time position. Should have significant experience as a choral conductor in a church setting and an advanced degree in music. Repertoire is traditional and includes major and minor works with orchestra. Duties include directing the chancel choir and overseeing the various music activities of the church. Schedule includes two weekly rehearsals and one Sunday service during the school year; one Sunday morning rehearsal and Sunday service during the summer. Salary is negotiable. Please send letter of interest and resume to [info@centralumcspartanburg.org](mailto:info@centralumcspartanburg.org), subject line "Application for Music Director." Deadline for applications is August 3, 2015.

## **ST. MATTHEWS**

**St. Paul United Methodist Church**, 202 East Bridge St., St. Matthews, S. C. 29135. Organist & Choir Director, Moeller Pipe Organ, Contact Rev. Suzanne B. Walker 803-874-2166 (office) [sbwalker@umcsc.org](mailto:sbwalker@umcsc.org)  
<http://www.stpaulsmumc.com>

## **WEST COLUMBIA**

**Mt. Hebron United Methodist Church**, 3050 Leaphart Rd, West Columbia, SC. Part-time organist/choir accompanist. 2-manual, 19 rank Schantz organ. Two traditional Sunday services, choir rehearsal, special services as needed. Qualified candidates will have demonstrated excellence in organ performance and accompanying skills. Contact Tom Brunson at [tbunson@mthebronumc.com](mailto:tbunson@mthebronumc.com) or (803)238-4816.

## **WINNSBORO**

**First Baptist Church**, P.O. Box 59, Winnsboro, SC 29180. Minister of Music/Choir Director. The Director of Music is to assist the Pastor in planning and leading the worship service and to provide direction for the church music groups. The Director of Music will supervise the pianist and organist. Introduce a graded choir program-preschool through senior adults. Direct music groups as needed coordinating the music ministry with the entire church program emphasis. Arrange and provide music for all worship services, weddings, funerals and other activities as requested. Send resume to FBC, P.O. Box 59, Winnsboro, SC 29180, Att. Personnel Chairman. For more information and a complete job description, please contact Dale Connor at [dalec@truvista.net](mailto:dalec@truvista.net) .