

# The Greater

# Columbia Organist



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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

*\*Meet at 6:45 at Eastminster Presbyterian Church to carpool  
You may park in front of the church on Trenholm Road.  
(Very limited parking at 1410 Glenwood Road)*

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. Light refreshments will follow the program.



## OCTOBER MEETING - Oct. 16 & 17

### STEPHEN HAMILTON, CONCERT ORGANIST

#### Recital

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

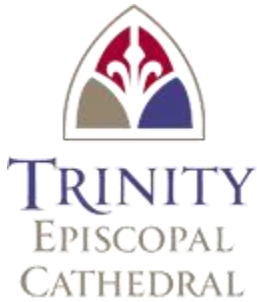
Saturday, October 17, 2015

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.

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



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)

**You Are Invited...**

**Organ Dedication &  
Recital**

September 27, 2015

3:00 pm

Spring Valley Presbyterian

125 Sparkleberry Lane

Columbia, SC 29229

Allen Quantum custom series 58-stop, three manual console organ (406 voices), Custom designed by George Hiatt, Allen Organ Representative from Fox Music House, Charleston.



Guest Artist, Stefan Engels

Stefan Engels is Professor of Organ and Leah Fullinwider Centennial Chair of Organ at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. He is also Founder and Artistic Director of the European Organ Academy Leipzig as well as the Karg-Elert Festival in Leipzig, Germany. Engels maintains an active international concert schedule, as well as serving as a lecturer, teacher, and juror for competitions. He is represented by Karen McFarlane Artists Inc.

Photo by Kim Ritzenthaler Leeson.

# *Soli Deo Gloria*

Sharon Hudson Rattray *in Concert*



**Thursday  
September 10  
7:00 p.m.  
Free!**

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**Artist**  
SERIES

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## **LEXINGTON COUNTY CHORAL SOCIETY AUDITIONS**

The Lexington County Choral Society will begin their 20th Season this fall.  
Auditions for all voice types will be held on September 8, 15 and 22.

7:30 PM

Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church

5503 Sunset Blvd

Lexington, SC 29072

For questions or information please phone 803.348.7445 or find us on the web at

[LexCoChoralSoc.org](http://LexCoChoralSoc.org)

## **James O'Donnell at Winthrop**

James O'Donnell, Organist and Master of the Choristers at Westminster Abbey, is playing an organ concert on Sunday, February 14, 2016, 3:00 p.m., at Byrnes Auditorium, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC. Watch for more information.



## September Birthdays

9/18 Mark Merritt  
9/18 English Morris  
9/23 Sara Beardsley  
9/25 Robert Neese  
9/26 Susan Sturkie

Please add these new or returning members to your directory.

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## From the USC School of Music



Fri., Sept. 4, 7:30 p.m.

### **Across the Water with Columbia Baroque: The River Thames** USC School of Music Recital Hall

[J. Daniel Jenkins](#), countertenor, joins the Columbia Baroque, featuring solo and duet opera arias by Handel, Vivaldi and Monteverdi; *Sound the Trumpet* by Purcell; and instrumental chamber music performed by the ensemble. Pre-concert talk at 7:00 p.m. \$15 tickets in advance; \$20 at the door; students free with ID.

Mon., Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m.

### **Tina Milhorn Stallard & Lynn Kompass Faculty Recital** USC School of Music Recital Hall - Free

[Tina Milhorn Stallard](#), soprano, and [Lynn Kompass](#), piano, perform four works that present the sacred and secular from the female perspective. Henry Purcell's *The Blessed Virgin's Expostulation* is an extraordinary example of Purcell's genius for setting words and capturing changing emotions. The work captures Mary's sense of desperation and anxiety when the 12 year-old-boy Jesus goes missing. Schumann's *Gedichte der Königen Maria Stuart*, a cycle of 5 songs, sets texts attributed to the tragic Queen of Scots. Prokofiev's *Five Poems of Anna Akhmatova*, one of Russia's finest poets, employs warm lyricism to portray the refined and sometimes morbid feelings of a society woman. [John Fitz Rogers](#) composed the song cycle, *Songs of Time and Tide*, five poems from the collection "Gitanjali" by Rabindranath Tagore, revolving around children and motherhood.



Tues., September 15, 7:30 p.m.

### **USC Symphony Orchestra: Paremski Plays Tchaikovsky**

Guest Artist [Natasha Paremski](#), piano  
Koger Center for the Arts

Natasha Paremski was called "Empress of the keyboard" by the Kalamazoo Gazette, and San Francisco Classical Voice said, "Technique to burn, magic hands, solid rhythmic control, sensitive pedaling, mature stage presence, a real feeling for lush romantic music, the ability to handle blazingly rapid passagework, beautifully executed trills, and all made to look very easy."

**Program:** Jean Sibelius - Symphony No. 2 in D major and  
Tchaikovsky - Piano Concerto No. 1 in B-flat minor

**Save with a season subscription** (6 concerts) and enjoy the best seats in the house: \$150 general public; \$110 senior citizens, USC faculty and staff; \$45 students.

**Single concert tickets:** \$30 general public; \$25 seniors, USC faculty and staff; \$8 students. Call 803-777-7500 or Koger Box Office, corner of Greene & Park Streets (M-F 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or [online](#).



Tues, Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.

### **Jacob Will & Lynn Kompass Faculty Recital** USC School of Music Recital Hall - Free

Don't miss an evening of German Lieder including some of the best-loved songs of the Romantic period. Vocalists [Jacob Will](#) and [Jill Lewis](#) will perform pieces by such composers as Franz Schubert, Johannes Brahms, Hugo Wolf and Gustav Mahler. Pianists [Lynn Kompass](#) and [Janet Elshazly](#) accompany the program.

# *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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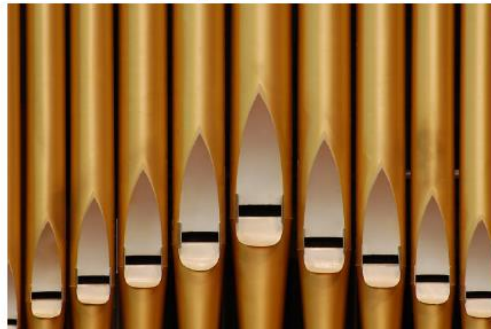
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### Young Organist Competition 2016



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Saturday, March 12, 2016  
Columbia, S.C.

Open to grades 8–12

First Prize \$1,000  
Second Prize \$500  
Third Prize \$300  
Hymn Playing Award \$250  
Bach Playing Award \$250

For rules and application see  
Young Organist Competition 2016  
at [www.columbiaago.org](http://www.columbiaago.org)



# Positions Available

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

## **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

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.

### **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**

**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)

### **COLUMBIA**

**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. 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.

**\*\*Trinity Presbyterian Church**, 1000 Greenlawn Ave, Columbia SC 29209 is seeking a part time Choir Director/Organist. The director will be responsible for the following: (1) Plan and provide instrumental and choral music at the regularly scheduled worship services which include: Christmas Eve, Holy Week and during Vacation Bible School (as needed) and any other special services planned by Worship Committee and Session. (2) Recruiting, assisting and supervising the current Adult choir and Children's choir (as an accompaniment to seasonal services). This includes weekly rehearsals. (3) Participate in weekly meetings with Pastor; meet monthly with the Worship Committee as an exofficio member (or send choir rep). Coordinate with Pastor and/or Worship Committee the general planning and leadership of the Church's worship program. (4) Provide music for all wedding and funerals in the church, when requested. Please contact Pastor Robyn Garrison, office 803-776-2067, email [trinitypresonline.com](mailto:trinitypresonline.com) or Mr. Robert Dunn 803-414-9191, email [boblindadunn@bellsouth.net](mailto:boblindadunn@bellsouth.net)

### **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**

**\*\*Newberry Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church**, Organist and/or Choir Director. Contact is Marc Faulkenberry, (803) 351-0800, [marcfaulkenberry@att.net](mailto:marcfaulkenberry@att.net). [www.newberryarp.org](http://www.newberryarp.org)

### **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 [tbrunson@mthebronumc.com](mailto:tbrunson@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).