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# **Organist**

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#### A note from the Dean

I hope this newsletter finds you well rested, well prepared, and already through your spring planning. If not, you may appreciate that there will not be an April meeting of the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO.

There are still plenty of opportunities abounding this month for you to participate in. These include recitals and performances by our members:

Mark Husey, Elisa Moskovitz, and Christopher Nash.

We also need you to brush off the organ shoes and volunteer to play at our last meeting of the year, the progressive dinner, which will be Friday, May 4. We will visit Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church, and Trinity Lutheran Church, home of a historic one-manual pipe organ.

I wish everyone a stress-free Easter and look forward to seeing everyone around town at one of these upcoming events.

Tony

## Volunteers Needed...

To play at the Friday, May 4, Progressive Dinner. Please contact Tony Roof {606-1596 or tonyroof@windstream.net} if you are interested.

Colla Voce

# Treasures of French and English Sacred Music

Larry Wyatt, conductor Mark Husey, organist

Thursday, March 29, 7:30 PM

St. Peter's Catholic Church, 1529 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC

The concert will feature the ethereal *Messe cum jubilo* by Maurice Duruflé, for men's voices and organ. The women will be featured in the Poulenc "Litanies a la Vierge noire." The Britten "Festival Te Deum" for mixed chorus and organ provides an exciting, joyful contrast to these selections. The concert will conclude with Holst's "Psalm 48" and the Franck "Psalm 150."

This concert promises to be beautiful, worshipful, subtle, and exciting. Mark Husey joins us on the organ. St. Peter's is a lovely space with outstanding acoustics for choral music.

Present this newsletter at the door for one complimentary ticket. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students, seniors, and military. Donations will be accepted for the complimentary tickets but are not mandatory.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Thursday, March 29, 7:30 p.m.

Treasures of French and English Sacred Music

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St. Peter's Catholic Church, Columbia (See page 1 for more details)

#### Saturday, March 31, 5:00 p.m.

Thomas Russell, Junior Recital USC School of Music Recital Hall

#### Sunday, April 22, 3:30 PM

**Lake Murray Symphony Orchestra**, Einar Anderson, Conductor **Elisa Moskovitz**, Piano Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church, Lexington SC

#### Friday, April 27, 7:30 p.m.

**Organ Gala**--former and present USC organ students USC School of Music Recital Hall

#### Sunday, April 29, 4:00 p.m.

Christopher Nash, Senior Recital

Centennial A. R. P. Church (1813 Laurel St.)

# **Directory Changes**

Page 4 - Change **Tony Roof**'s e-mail address to: <a href="mailto:tonyroof@windstream.net">tonyroof@windstream.net</a> (correct on p. 21)
Page 4 & 22 - Change **Bob Stone**'s e-mail address to: <a href="mailto:robstone@bellsouth.net">robstone@bellsouth.net</a>

Please send other corrections and changes to Susan Sturkie at (803)788-6807 or sloopystur@aol.com.

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### Pipe Organ Encounter

Our region's POE is hosted by the Central Florida Chapter and will be held at the Stetson University Campus June 24-29. Please advertise this now in your churches, schools and community. It is a wonderful experience for teens. Basic keyboard proficiency is required, although previous organ study is not necessary. Contact <a href="mailto:AGOdean55@aol.com">AGOdean55@aol.com</a> for more information. Now is the time when many families confirm all their summer plans, so let's get this POE on their schedules!



# 25% OFF for American Guild of Organists



R. Monty Bennett, organist on the new Fratelli Ruffatti pipe organ from Italy with 6,000 pipes, 5 manuals, and 168 stops

Friday, April 20, 7:30 pm

JONGEN Toccata from Symphonie Concertante

POULENC Concerto for Organ SAINT-SAENS Symphony No. 3 "Organ"

Charlotte Symphony, Alan Yamamoto, conducting
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church
3400 Beatties Ford Road
Charlotte, NC

Mr. Bennett has performed across the United States and Great Britain as an organist, accompanist and conductor. In 2005, he made his European debut playing a recital for the 22nd International Festival of Organists in Turin, Italy. The same year, he presented recitals for the American Guild of Organists and a return engagement at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in New York City. He has also presented recitals in France, both as a carillonneur and as an organist.

Discount tickets with no handling charges: Adults-\$11 & Students-\$5 For discount tickets call Joan Foley at the Charlotte Symphony at 704-972-2003, ext. 233. Deadline: Noon Friday, April 20.



### AGO REGION IV CONVENTION -June 17-20, 2007

Check out the Convention Website- http://www.agoatlanta2007.org

As you plan your own summers, don't forget our regional convention in Atlanta, June 17-20. If you can come a day early, the RCYO/Quimby Competition will be held on Saturday, June 16 at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Our region had eight chapters hosting competitions, and each will be sending on its winner, so you will get to hear some outstanding playing.

### Clinicians

#### David Arcus



Recognized internationally as an improviser at the organ, Dr. Arcus was selected as the only American to participate in the International Organ Improvisation Competition of the 1990 Haarlem Organ Festival, in the Netherlands. more...



### Joan Lippincott

IOAN LIPPINCOTT has been acclaimed as one of America's outstanding organ virtuosos. She performs extensively in the United States under Karen McFarlane Artists and has toured throughout Europe and Canada. more...



#### Norman Mackenzie

Mr. Mackenzie has been hailed by The New York Times as Robert Shaw's "designated successor." In his 14-year association with Shaw, he was keyboardist for the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, principal accompanist for the ASO Choruses, and ultimately assistant conductor for those choruses, more...



#### Sarah Hawbecker

Sarah Hawbecker has served as Organist and Director of Music for Children and Youth at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Atlanta since January 1996. more...



#### Sue Mitchell-Wallace

Sue Mitchell-Wallace, award-winning Fellow of the American Guild of Organists and the American Society of Composers and Publishers, was National Councillor for Education for American Guild of Organists from 1996-2002, more...



# **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**



Please contact Susan Sturkie (788-6807 or <a href="mailto:sloopystur@aol.com">sloopystur@aol.com</a>) to update this information or for more information on these openings.

#### **BISHOPVILLE**

**Bishopville Presbyterian Church,** Organist, 150 members. 1919 Pilcher restored in 1998. Contact Leon E. Hunt at <a href="mailto:leon.hunt@caresouth-carolina.com">leon.hunt@caresouth-carolina.com</a> or email resume to <a href="mailto:bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net">bvlpcusa@ftc-i.net</a> or mail to P.O. Box 66, Bishopville, SC 29010.

**First Baptist Church,** P.O. Box 144, Bishopville, SC 29010. Part-time Accompanist (piano and/or organ) and Part-time Music Director (one choir). Send resume ATTN: Personnel Committee at the church address. For more information, contact Beth Hedegor, Ministry Assistant at 803-484-5430 (8-1, Mon.-Thur.)

#### **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 helpful. Please call Pastor Karen Hawkins at 803/776-3050 or send a resume to the mailing address above.

*Crescent Hill Baptist Church,* 2659 Two Notch Rd., 29204. Organist & Full time Music Director and Worship Leader with other responsibilities (2 people). Services Sun. a.m. & p.m. 1 Choir Practice. Contact Rev. Ron Bryan at 254-5549.

Saint Peter's Catholic Church, 1529 Assembly Street, Apprentice in Sacred Music Historic Saint Peter's Catholic Church, established in 1821, seeks a talented and motivated student with a passion for musical excellence and the desire to learn organ, choral, and administrative skills in a multicultural, urban parish setting. The goal is to assist in the artistic and pastoral formation of young musicians for ministry in music.

The successful candidate will support our music ministry via musical and administrative participation in the Gallery Choir, and assisting in an active concert series and learning solo organ repertoire, accompaniments, hymns, and improvisation in various styles. Honoraria is provided for substituting for weekend Masses, weddings, and funerals.

III/36 Peragallo pipe in a magnificent acoustic, both a part of a critically acclaimed restoration in 2002. See choral rep listings and organ specs at <a href="http://www.visitstpeters.org/music.htm">http://www.visitstpeters.org/music.htm</a>; Send letter of inquiry to Mark Husey at <a href="http://www.visitstpeters.org">Liturgy@visitstpeters.org</a>

#### **CONWAY**

**St. James Catholic Church**, 1071 Academy Drive, Conway, SC 29526. Director of Music and Liturgy. Proficient in keyboard and choral directing. The candidate should have a good command of Catholic liturgy and be enthusiastic about both traditional and current trends in liturgical music. Knowledge of Spanish language a plus. Call Father Rick or Joan Cato at (843) 347-5168.

#### **GREENWOOD**

Immanuel Lutheran Church, 501 East Cresswell Ave., Greenwood, SC 29646. Director of Music & Organist (part-time) Position may be divided.

Director of Music administers, plans, instructs and directs Adult Choir. Supervises Directors of Children & Handbell Choirs. Secures instrumentalists and other special music as needed. Approximately 12 hours per week, including worship.

Organist includes Adult Choir rehearsal, practice time, worship, and other special services as needed. 2 Manual Zimmer - 12 ranks of pipes. Approximately 8 hours per week, including worship. Education and experience important. Practicing Christian preferred. Salary within AGO Guidelines. Contact Rev. Dr. John L. Setzler at 864-223-0590, fax 864-943-0647 or email <a href="mailto:ilcgwd@earthlink.net">ilcgwd@earthlink.net</a>.

#### **HARTSVILLE**

St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church, Campus Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550

Organist position. Cassavant Organ. The church is located directly across from the Elizabeth Boatwright Performing Arts Center on the Coker College campus. Services are Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. with choir rehearsal on Wednesday evenings at 6:45 p.m. There are other special services occasionally throughout the church year such as choral evensong and Holy Week. The church has a part-time choir director who can also substitute at the organ when needed. If interested, please contact Father Michael Ridgill at 843-332-8765 or Candace Holcombe, choir director, at 843-383-2846(home) or 843-857-3801(office). Salary is commensurate with experience and qualifications.

#### **ISLE OF PALMS**

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Parish Musician. One Sunday service, plus Lent, Advent, Christmas, and Blessing of the Animals. Direction of choir, assistant with building music program. Please send letter and resume to Pr. Mefferd, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, PO Box 81, Isle of Palms, SC 29451. 843-886-8557 or 843-696-8612. stmarksiop@bellsouth.net

#### **LEXINGTON**

**Lexington United Methodist Church,** Organist. Two Sunday morning services, Wed. practice, Advent, Lent. Traditional/Classical style. Contact Dr. Jerry Gatch, Choir Director, Day 359-0021, Night 951-9153 or <a href="mailto:igatch@lexington1.net">igatch@lexington1.net</a>

#### **LUGOFF**

*St. John's United Methodist Church*, Organist. 2 Sunday morning services. Apply in writing to St. John's UMC, att: Mrs. Lea Ann O'Quinn, P.O. Box 218, Lugoff, SC 29078 or call the church office at 438-1335.

#### **NEWBERRY**

Summer Memorial Lutheran Church is currently seeking a qualified individual to fill the position of Director of Music Ministries / Organist. This part-time position (16-20 hours per week) consists of one Sunday worship service plus any additional seasonal services (i.e. Advent, Lent, etc.) Weekly rehearsals with the adult choir, the children's choir, and the handbell choir. This individual will also work closely with the Pastor and the Worship and Music Committee in selecting a wide variety of music to enhance the worship service. Knowledge of traditional Lutheran Liturgy and contemporary praise music is an asset to this position. All interested persons should submit a resume to Wanda Amick, Summer Memorial Lutheran Church, 1609 Milligan Street, Newberry, SC 29108, or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:summermemorial@bellsouth.net">summermemorial@bellsouth.net</a>. Deadline for resume is March 1, 2007.

#### **ORANGEBURG**

The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, SC seeking the services of an Organist/Choir Director. Part-time position. To direct Adult & Children's choirs and to play organ for Sunday service. Salary negotiable. Call: (803) 534-3794 The Rev. Dr. Frank E. Larisey.

#### **SPARTANBURG**

**St. John Lutheran Church** has an opening for a part time contemporary worship leader with experience blending keyboard, guitar, bass, violin and flute. The congregation is also looking for a part time director of youth & children's ministry, with a degree or experience.

These two positions may be combined into one full time position. Please send resume to St. John Lutheran Church, 415 S. Pine St., Spartanburg, SC 29302.

#### ST. MATTHEWS

**St. Paul United Methodist Church,** 202 East Bridge St., St. Matthews, S. C. 29135. Organist, Moeller Pipe Organ, Sun. 11:00 Service, Wed. Practice 7:00 - 8:30. Contact Julia Helen Garris at (803) 874-3511 or <a href="majarris@sc.rr.com">majarris@sc.rr.com</a>.

#### **SUMTER**

Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 211 Alice Dr., Sumter SC 29150, is seeking a part-time organist to serve as accompanist for choirs and instrumental music for all worship services and rehearsals as necessary. Send resume to church. For more information: <a href="mailto:aldersgate@ftc-i.net">aldersgate@ftc-i.net</a>, 803-775-1602 or 803-775-9309.

# Silent film maestro to present two Chaplin comedies at University of South Carolina

Silent film accompanist Dennis James will return to Columbia to play the musical score of two Charlie Chaplin comedies Friday, April 6, at the University of South Carolina.

James' presentation, which is free and open to the public, will be at 8 p.m. in the School of Music recital hall. He will present "Easy Street" from 1917 and "The Kid" from 1921.

In 1916, Chaplin signed a contract with Mutual Film Corporation to create 12 short movies. The contract made him the highest-paid entertainer of his time, and he made the films in an astonishing 16-month period. "Easy Street" is an inner-city tale of a tramp-turned-policeman with a clever love story intertwined. "The Kid," Chaplain's first feature film as writer, director and star, grossed more than \$2.5 million, one of biggest moneymaking movies of its day. It co-starred six-year-old stage sensation Jackie Coogan.

The presentation on April 6 is the third in a new series of such screenings with live accompaniment by James, who tours internationally as a composer and musician specializing in recreating historically accurate scores of silent film. The USC Evening of Silent Film series is hosted by Carolina's School of Music and the Film Studies Program, where James is a research fellow. His past concerts at Carolina featured the 1929 films, "Asphalt" and "People on Sunday."

For more information on the screening, call Dr. Julie Hubbert, School of Music, at 803-777-3214, or Dr. Susan Courtney, Film Studies Program, at 803-777-3261.