



A Publication of the Greater Columbia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
709 Southlake Rd., Columbia 29223

AGO Meeting

Monday, April 7

Meal 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$7 *****reservations required**

Workshop 7:30 p.m.

Jeffers Handbell Supply



Mark your calendars now for our next AGO meeting, **Monday, April 7th**, at Jeffers Handbell Supply in Irmo. This will be a hands-on handbell workshop with clinician Ellen Moretz. Dinner will begin at 6:30 and the workshop will start at 7:30. Invite your handbell choir members to come and participate. There is no charge for the workshop.

Directions:

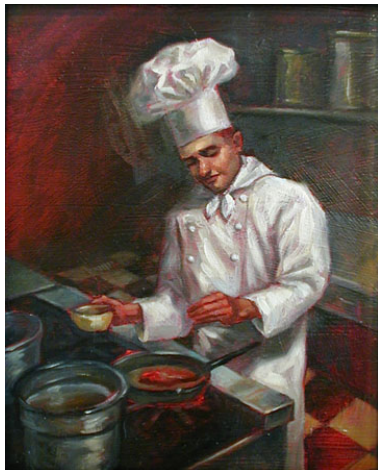
- From Columbia, Take I-26 WEST
- Take the US-76/US-176 exit- EXIT 101
- Bear RIGHT onto US-176/BROAD RIVER RD 0.2 miles
- Turn LEFT onto WESTERN LANE .25 miles
- End after 1.35 miles at 455 WESTERN LANE IRMO SC

Menu

*****Reservations** are required for dinner and needed by **Thursday, April 3.**

Cost \$7.

Please contact Tony Roof {803-606-1596 or tonyroof@windstream.net} for dinner reservations.



Menu

Chicken
garden vegetables
salad
dessert

If you find that you cannot attend a dinner and have made a reservation, please cancel your reservation by 48 hours prior to the dinner. If you make a reservation and do not attend the dinner, please send a check payable to AGO for the cost of the dinner (times the number of reservations you made) to Nancy Kelley, Shandon United Methodist Church, 3407 Devine St., Columbia, SC 29205. AGO has to pay for those dinners not paid for by those making reservations. Thanks.



Ellen Moretz has been involved with handbells both as a ringer and a director since the 1960's, and is very passionate about the art. She is the director of music at A Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church, Charlotte, and served as NC State Chair for AGEHR Area III for seven years. She has assisted Robert Ivey in teaching his summer workshops and is a member of the Queen City Ringers, a community group based in Charlotte, NC. Ellen has also taught classes at Lutheridge Music Week Area Festivals and workshops, and local festivals and workshops



AGO May Meeting
Choir Festival
With celebrity conductor Paul Spicer

Saturday, May 3, 2008 at Trinity Cathedral
2:00 full rehearsal
4:00 public concert and hymn festival

Open to all singers- Registration is now open, and is limited to 65 singers

To register for this special event contact Elizabeth Hill in the Trinity Cathedral Music office (803.771.7300, x235; hill@trinitysc.org).

\$10 per singer or auditor for the rehearsal, includes music and refreshments

Repertoire to be announced Feb 15, will include both familiar and new works in the Anglican choral tradition.

Paul Spicer is Professor of Choral Conducting at the Royal College of Music in London; founding director of the renowned Finzi singers; an acclaimed composer of choral and orchestral music; and a highly-regarded producer for major record labels and for the BBC. He has written a biography of his former teacher, Herbert Howells.

For more information about Paul Spicer, visit paulspicer.com.



Charlotte Chapter AGO

Pipe Organ Encounter

July 13-18, 2008

Our region's **POE** is hosted by the Charlotte Chapter and will be held at the Belmont Abbey College Campus **July 13-18**. 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 poe@charlotteago.org for more information. Now is the time when many families confirm all their summer plans, so let's get this POE on their schedules!



As you plan your own summers, don't forget our **National Convention in Minneapolis - St. Paul, June 22-26**.

Convention Highlights Include:

- [20+ Organ Concerts](#)
- [St. Paul Cathedral Choir, London](#)
- [Newly Commissioned works](#)
- [US Premiere - Te Deum by Siegfried Matthus](#)
- [Pipedreams Live!](#)
- [Olivier Messiaen Pedagogy Track](#)
- [65+ Workshops](#)
- AGO Composer of the Year - Stephen Paulus
- [NYACOP](#) & [NCOI](#) Competitions
- And much, much more!

You can read all about it and register online at <http://www.ago2008.org/>



Association of Lutheran Church Musicians Regional Conference

Hungry . . . Fed . . . Satisfied
July 13-16, 2008 - Savannah, GA

Hungry: As church musicians we strive to create the most meaningful ministry for all those we serve. We look for unique ways to deliver the good news through music and worship.
Fed: We join together in networking and find personal development areas in our congregations as well as at a churchwide level. We develop, participate and learn.
Satisfied: Together, we make a difference, not only to those worshipping, but also within our own lives. We hope this cycle never ends.

The conference will be centered around Ascension Lutheran Church on Wright Square. Venues within a short walk from Ascension include Christ Church Episcopal, Independent Presbyterian, St. John Episcopal, First Baptist, and Wesley Monumental Methodist.

Lodging options include the historic Mulberry Inn and Holiday Inn Express, both within a few short blocks to Ascension. Comfortable and air-conditioned dormitory options through the Savannah College of Art and Design are also available on a first come basis. All possibilities are within walking distance.

Conference Brochure and Registration Form

Conference Presenters

Bruce Neswick
Robert Hawkins
Jan-Piet Knijff

Birthdays

April



4/02	Joyce F. Shaw
4/09	Celia Tolar-Bane
4/13	Beverly M French
4/15	Harriet W Taylor
4/20	Katherine D deLoach
4/21	Al Roberts

If you don't see your birthday listed, contact Susan Sturkie (sloopystur@aol.com)

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**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS
15TH OF MONTH**

April 2008						
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April

- 6 York County Choral Society, 4:00 pm, Byrnes Auditorium, Winthrop University, Rock Hill
- 11 Prelude to the Olympics, USC Concert Choir, 7:30 pm, St Peter's Catholic Church
- 13 Haydn's *Creation*, 6:00 pm, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church
- 18 USC University Chorus, 7:30 pm, Union United Methodist Church, Irmo

Organists in the News



Living the Pipe Dream

See [The State](#) for further details.

Jim and Sarah Ingram are in the final stages of installing a new pipe organ into their Lexington home. Jim is in the process of wiring the state of the art organ. Both of them play the organ.



Wannamaker-Thrush

HUMMELSTOWN, Pa. — Sarah Rebecca Thrush and [Keith Robert Wannamaker](#) were married January 12, 2008, at the United Church of Christ. The Rev. Mark Johnson performed the 4 p.m. ceremony. A reception followed at Alfred's Victorian in Middletown.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill (Barbara Paronish) Thrush of Harrisburg, Pa., is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Merrill (Mary Mackey) Thrush of Roxbury, Pa., and the late Mr. George Paronish and Mrs. Margaret Sereda Paronish of Barnesboro, Pa. A graduate of Lebanon Valley College and the University of Iowa, she is employed as senior organist at First Methodist Church in Palo Alto, Calif., and as accompanist for the San Francisco boys' choir.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Sarah Knotts) Wannamaker of North, SC, is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bernard (Margaret Cleckley) Wannamaker of Swansea, SC, and the late Mr. and Mrs. James (Ruth Felkel) Knotts of North, SC. A graduate of the University of South Carolina, he is employed as a senior software engineer at Google in Mountain View, Calif.

Maid of honor was Jessica Thrush, sister of the bride. Best man was Robert Wannamaker, father of the groom.

Following a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple resides in Mountain View, Calif.



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6 pedal stops
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Would love to get a donation to the ministry at USC in exchange for the console. Speakers are available, but need major repair work.

PFA

Pastor Frank W. Anderson
Lutheran Campus Ministry at USC
728 Pickens Street
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803-799-4993 (Office & Fax)
803-730-4075 (Cellular)
pfalutheran@sc.edu



Note from Jim Johnson:

I just got a call from Ann Welling at Wesley United Methodist Church in Bloomington, IL (309-664-1926) wanting a place to sing in Columbia on June 8 with housing for one night for 45 youth and 17 chaperones. If your church is interested, please contact Ann.



Organist Needed



POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

AIKEN

St. John's United Methodist Church, Experienced Organist Needed.

A 1600-member dynamic, mainline UMC, with a fulltime Director of Music, is seeking an experienced, quality organist to enhance our vibrant music program. 2-year old, 62-rank Schantz organ (50 ranks in chancel, 12 in rear balcony, with an additional console). Service playing is most important, and ability to lead hymns with the organ is a must. We need an excellent sight reader, who can read open score, for above average choral music. 60-voice Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings. Two Sunday morning worship services. Youth Choir rehearses on Sunday evenings. Must be available for weddings and funerals. Salary commensurate with experience and education. Teaching, recitals, and community involvement are encouraged. If you are the person described above, update your resume', including references, and contact: Catherine Stapleton Nance, Director of Music. Phone: 803.648.6891. Position is available immediately.

BEAUFORT

St. John's Lutheran Church, Beaufort is searching for a Director of Music. This is a part-time salaried position supervising the music ministries of the congregation, including direction of adult, children, and handbell choirs and working with the pastor and staff to plan worship. This congregation has a strong program of music, including a talented adult choir, five gifted pianists, and a number of capable instrumentalists, and a new Kawai RX-3 grand piano. We love music – and Beaufort is a great place to be! For a full job description or to submit an application, contact Ellen Burnette, secretary, in the church office at ellen@stjohnsbeaufort.org or 843 524 3461.

BISHOPVILLE

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

Centennial Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Bull and Laurel St., Columbia. Part time Music Director/Organist. Direct adult choir, plan service music, coordinate with handbells and children's programs. 1 service, 1 choir rehearsal. 70 rank Shantz organ with digital upgrade. Contact Wyndall Howard at 803-356-3135.

Crescent Hill Baptist Church, 2659 Two Notch Rd., 29204. Organist & Pianist (2 people). Services Sun. a.m. & p.m. 1 Choir Practice. Contact Rev. Ron Bryan at 254-5549 or e-mail resume to admin@crescenthillbaptist.com.

Garden of Grace United Church of Christ (Atlas Road) is seeking a part-time Music Team Leader who will direct the choir of about 20 individuals and assist the pastoral staff and musicians with the selection of weekly music. Compensation is based on experience and final ministry description. Interested individuals should contact Rev. Andy Sidden at (803) 695-9664 or pastorandys@msn.com

Living Springs Lutheran Church, Director of Music Ministries. 30 hour a week director of music ministry is sought for a congregation of 560 baptized members established in 1988. Responsibilities include: selecting and planning music, in cooperation with Pastor(s), for three regular weekend services (two traditional/one contemporary) and all special services; playing the keyboard for two worship services each weekend, weddings: directing the Adult Choirs, contemporary music ensemble, and overseeing the Adult Handbell Choir and worship music; growing our Children's Choir; administering the music budget; working with Pastor(s) to develop an effective and well-rounded worship and music ministry. The compensation is negotiable based on experience. Interested candidates should send a resume, cover letter, to Mr. Jim Lentz, Search Committee, Living Springs Lutheran Church, 4224 Hardscrabble Road, Columbia, SC 29223 .

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Director of Music Ministries. This congregation, with an established history of excellence in worship and music, seeks a musician creative in the Lutheran tradition to lead two Sunday morning worship services and seasonal liturgies. Specific responsibilities include leading the congregation in worship and song, conducting an adult choir and a children's choir, and directing soloists and instrumental ensembles. The successful candidate will demonstrate knowledge of Lutheran theology and liturgical practice, skill and competency at the keyboard, both organ and piano, improvisation and service playing. The church's instruments include a Schantz organ, 3 manual, 34 ranks; a Knabe grand piano, handbells, Orff instruments and chimes. Requirements include at least a bachelor's degree in music, and experience in conducting and rehearsing choirs of different age groups. If interested, see expanded job description and list of applications requirements at: www.salutheran.com. Compensation will be commensurate with education and experience. Send resumes to Ruth Lackstrom, rel2812@earthlink.net or mail to: Music Search Committee, St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 1416 Broad River Road, Columbia , SC 29210.

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 Att: PPRC, Bethel Park United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 207, Denmark, South Carolina 29042.

FLORENCE

Cross and Crown Lutheran Church ,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, SC 29501.

St. Luke Lutheran Church, 1201 Cherokee Rd., 29501. (843) 662-4622.

Email: StLukeLuthFloSC@aol.com. Praise Music Director. Responsible for further developing, managing, and leading the musical components of our weekly blended/contemporary worship service at 8:30 each Sunday morning and possibly some other special services (such as our 4:15 Christmas Eve service). A solid knowledge of musical leadership, competence with computer technology, and an ability to work with people are required. This person will work with the pastor and other staff in preparing the blended/contemporary service. To receive a full job description and application and/or to submit a resume, contact Sonya Rowe, parish coordinator at the church.

GREENVILLE

St. Mark UMC, 306 N. Franklin Rd., Greenville 29609 is looking for a Music Director-Pianist. Contact the church at 864-233-1437-for information. Or send Resume to St. Mark UMC.

HARTSVILLE

Our Shepherd Lutheran Church. Musician needed to play for Sunday morning service, 10:30–11:30 AM, with extra seasonal services – Advent and Lent. The instrument is a Yamaha Clavinova. Compensation negotiable. Call Alice Brandt, 843-332-1478.

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.

IRMO

The Episcopal Church of St. Simon and St. Jude is looking for an organist to share a full year, part-time organist position. Sunday morning, 10 a.m. worship services and choir rehearsals on Wednesday nights, Special services; the organist accompanies only the adult choir. Interested persons should contact Sandra Teel at 777-4401 (daytime), 781-7546 (evenings) or by e-mail at sjteel@sc.rr.com. (Contact Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com or 788-6807 for complete job description.)

LANCASTER

St. Luke United Methodist Church, 128 Providence Road, Lancaster, SC 29720. Organist/Choir Director Position. One Sunday Worship at 10:30. Allen Organ. Salary negotiable. For more information, contact Rev. Kyle Randle (803)286-8652 or email randlekyle@gmail.com

LAURENS

Atonement Lutheran Church, 413 West Farley Avenue, Laurens, SC 29360 has a current opening for a church organist. We are currently obtaining an organ for the sanctuary, and seek to have a regular organist for Sunday morning worship, in addition to special worship services as needed. Perfect opportunity for a student. Requirements: Be familiar with, or be able to learn liturgical settings and hymns from Lutheran Book of Worship (1978 green hymnal). Contact: Sean Miller, Pastoral Intern, 864-684-1704, lutheran_05@yahoo.com

LEXINGTON

Nazareth Lutheran Church, Organist. Call Pr. Mike Watson at 359-7993 for more information.

Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 1430 North Lake Dr., Lexington, SC 29072. Organist. One rehearsal and one service (8:45 A.M.) a week. Possibility of combining with a contemporary keyboard position or children's music ministry position if the applicant is interested and qualified. Please send resume to: Nancy Gibbons, Music Director. For more information call: 359-9421

LUGOFF

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

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, rcfbhf7500@wildblue.net or Pastor Jerry Trantham @ 803-276-7151, colonylc@bellsouth.net.

Summer Memorial Lutheran Church is currently seeking a qualified individual to fill the position of Director of Music Ministries / Organist. Part-time position (16-20 hours per week) - one Sunday worship service plus any additional seasonal services. The Director of Music Ministries conducts 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 summermemorial@bellsouth.net. Compensation is approximately \$10,000.00 to \$12,000.00 per year.

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 (pipe) for Sunday service. Competitive salary. Call: (803) 534-3794 The Rev. Dr. Frank E. Larisey.

POMARIA

St. John's Lutheran Church, Pomaria, a small congregation in rural Newberry County, seeks an organist/choir director for 2 to 3 Sundays per month (11:00 AM Services). Salary Negotiable. Please call Chris Cromer, 803-749-0178 (work), 803-513-6232 (Cell), or email to Chris@servprodutchfork.com.

SENECA

Eternal Shepherd Lutheran Church, <http://www.eternalshepherd.org/> Choir accompanist. Contact Lars Helland, email:larsh@alltel.net cell: 706-244-4544 Home: 706-356-2690 or Rick Schmidt at 864-886-9306.