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AGO Meetings for 2008-2009

Recently the board met and developed programming for the 2008-2009 year. It is an ambitious year with several concerts and relevant interesting programming. Please mark these dates on your calendars. More information will be published, as available, closer to each event.

September 28	Opening Convocation (3:00 PM St. Peter's Catholic Church)
October 19	International Year of the Organ-Organ Spectacular
November 6	Dr. Thomas Long - Something Old, Something New: Creating Vital and Faithful Worship Today
December	Christmas Party at Jim Ingram's Home
January	Organ Crawl to Charleston
January	Polyphony Seminar
February	Celebrating Black History
March 23	Organ Concert with Two Organs-- Sally Cherrington Beggs and Stephen Schnurr
April 21	Student Recital
May	Recital
	Pedals, Pipes and Pizza

DUES ARE DUE.

Don't miss any of these meetings. Join AGO today. A form has been included with this newsletter. If you have already returned the form, thank you!!

Benefits of membership include: National Benefits

- ✓ The American Organist magazine
- ✓ National and Regional Conventions
- ✓ Certification
- ✓ National Compensation Guidelines
- ✓ Entitled to AGO-sponsored Group Insurance plans

Benefits of membership include: Chapter Benefits

- ✓ Monthly meetings and concerts
- ✓ Organ Crawls
- ✓ Email reminders of local organ and choral events
- ✓ Monthly newsletter
- ✓ Local Organist Substitution list
- ✓ Notification of positions open for Organist and Choral Directors
- ✓ Advertising of your Organ and Choral events to other members

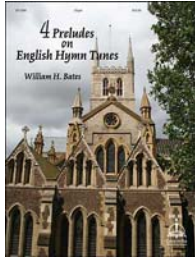
Membership will never: Require you to play anything.
Membership is open to everyone, regardless of denominational affiliation or musical ability.

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**not included in abridged newsletter*



Members in the News:



Concordia Publishing House announces the release of a new volume of hymn settings by Bill Bates: *Four Preludes on English Hymn Tunes* (Down Ampney, Dunedin, Sine Nomine, and Thaxted).



Morning Star Music announces the release of a new volume of creative and useful arrangements of five often-used hymns (CWM Rhondda, Herzlich lieb, Hymn to Joy, Lasset uns mit Jesu ziehen, Wer nur den lieben Gott), *God Will Guide You: Five Hymn Arrangements for Organ*, by Michael Costello and the release of a new anthem, *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*, also by Costello.



Congratualtions to Charlene Shealy Lanford on the birth of her baby girl. Born 5/27/08.



Our sympathies go to AGO member Ralph Rozier on the death of his wife, Rebecca.



C, E-flat, and G go into a bar. The bartender says: "Sorry, but we don't serve minors." So the E-flat leaves, and the C and the G have an open fifth between them. After a few drinks, the fifth is diminished and the G is out flat. An F comes in and tries to augment the situation, but is not sharp enough.

D comes into the bar and heads straight for the bathroom saying, "Excuse me, I'll just be a second." Then an A comes into the bar, but the bartender is not convinced that this relative of C is not a minor.

Then the bartender notices a B-flat hiding at the end of the bar and exclaims, "Get out now. You're the seventh minor I've found in this bar tonight."

The E-flat, not easily deflated, comes back to the bar the next night in

a 3-piece suit with nicely shined shoes. The bartender (who used to have a nice corporate job until his company downsized) says, "You're looking sharp tonight, come on in! This could be a major development."

This proves to be the case, as the E-flat takes off the suit, and everything else, and stands there au natural.

Eventually, the C sobers up, and realizes in horror that he's under a rest. The C is brought to trial, is found guilty of contributing to the diminution of a minor, and is sentenced to 10 years of DS without Coda at an upscale correctional facility. On appeal, however, the C is found innocent of any wrongdoing, even accidental, and that all accusations to the contrary are bassless.

The Greater Columbia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is now receiving dues for the 2008-2009 membership year. *The official membership year for national headquarters is now July 1 to June 30. Our local dues deadline is now July 15.* Please send your dues as soon as possible in order to avoid a lapse in your subscription to ***The American Organist*** and to be included in the ***2008-2009 Directory***.

Send this entire page along with your check (payable to AGO) to:

Susan Sturkie
709 Southlake Rd.
Columbia SC 29223-6818

For more information, please contact Susan Sturkie, membership chairperson, at (803)788-6807, or e-mail at sloopystur@aol.com.

TEACHER AND SUBSTITUTE LISTINGS

If you would like to be listed as a substitute organist, please circle your preference(s):

Church Services Weddings Funerals

For what denominations? _____

If you are a music instructor, please circle your teaching area(s):

Organ Piano Voice

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

I suggest the following topics for programs at meetings:

Dues Deadline-July 15, 2008

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

REGULAR

Voting member
Includes subscription to *The American Organist*.....**\$88.00** _____

SPECIAL

Voting member (over 65, under 21, or disabled)
Includes 1-yr. subscription to *The American Organist*.....**\$64.00** _____

STUDENT (Full-time with ID)(Include Copy)

Voting member with school ID
Includes 1-yr. subscription to *The American Organist*..... **\$36.00** _____

PARTNER (Please fill out sheet for each member.)

Voting member, for second AGO member at the same address of another, no TAO.
First Member – see Regular, Special or Student
Second Member.....**\$64.00** _____

DUAL

Voting member. This category is for those who are also members of another chapter.
List Primary Chapter _____

Regular or Special Dual.....**\$35.00** _____

Student Dual**\$14.00** _____

CHAPTER FRIEND

Non-Voting Member, No National Magazine

(Not eligible for national membership benefits).....**\$45.00** _____

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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

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(State) (Zipcode + 4, if known)

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(CHURCH PHONE) _____

E-MAIL _____

OUR NEWSLETTERS ARE NOW BEING SENT BY E-MAIL. If you are unable to access them by e-mail, please check here and we will send a copy by regular mail.

Check only if you need newsletter mailed to you by regular mail.

(“AGO News” is sent by e-mail a few days before events of interest to current AGO members listing an e-mail address. They will not be mailed.)

MUSIC RELATED POSITION

(Job Title or Responsibilities) _____

(Name of Church or Institution) _____

(City)

Please enjoy this abridged newsletter with our compliments. Please consider joining AGO. The Greater Columbia Chapter would love to have you as a member. For more information, please contact Tony Roof, 803-606-1596 or tonyroof@windstream.net .

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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.

* New Listing

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3909 Forest Drive, Columbia SC 29204, desires individual to serve as the coordinator for their contemporary service held on Sunday mornings. Coordinator will be responsible for playing keyboard for the service, worship planning, music selection, and recruiting and leading the music team (vocalists and instrumentalists.) Average 6-7 hours a week. Experience with liturgical contemporary music, strong keyboard skills, and vocal leadership are desired. Contact Pastor Bob Helton, (803)787-4413 or Pbob@gslc.com.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2215 Devine St., Columbia (Five Points), SC 29205. Organist and Choirmaster for 10:30 Sunday and seasonal services. Pre-service choir warm-up and rehearsal after 10:30 service. Liturgical worship. Pipe organ, 2 manual. Permanent commitment ideal, however, we are willing to consider short term contracts such as 3 or 6 month. Salary: AGO guidelines. Please contact Rev. Christopher Burger at (803) 799-7224 or via email at pastor@holyltrinitylutheranchurclcms.com.

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 3707 Moss Avenue, Columbia, SC 29205 Organist/Choir Director Position. One Sunday Worship at 11:00. Salary Negotiable. For more information please contact Rev. Scott Holland at (803) 787-7968 or by email at PastorScott@sc.rr.com.

* **St. Andrew's Lutheran Church**, 1416 Broad River Road, 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. hmileysc@aol.com (Bill Humphries)

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.

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.

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/Choir Director. Call Pr. Mike Watson at 359-7993 for more information. mew_ajw@yahoo.com

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 children's music ministry position if the applicant is interested and qualified. Please send resume to: Nancy Gibbons, Music Director ngibbons@pilgrimchurch.net. For more information call: 359-9421

* **St. Stephen's Lutheran Church**, 119 North Church Street Lexington SC, 29072. Organist. St. Stephen's is a 177 year old congregation that worships on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 and during additional seasonal services using liturgies from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship, With One Voice, and The Lutheran Book of Worship*. Three manual 56 rank pipe/digital organ built in 1987 by Moeller with antiphonals added and refurbished by Zimmer in 2005 along with Yamaha and Steinway pianos. The 8:30 choir rehearses on Sunday mornings and the 11:00 choir on Wednesday evenings. The job includes playing for these services, rehearsals, weddings and funerals. A job description is available by contacting the church office, between 8:00 – 4:00 m-f. Compensation and/or benefits negotiable. Send a resume and cover letter to the Organist Search Task Force, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church 119 North Church Street Lexington SC, 29072. If you have questions please contact Pastor Pat Riddle or Pastor Dennis Bolton @ 803-359-6562. www.sslc.org.

MYRTLE BEACH

* **St. Philip Lutheran Church**, 6200 N. Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach is seeking a part-time organist, salary negotiable. Duties include two Sunday worship services, midweek worship, choir practice, weddings and funerals. For more information, please call 843-449-5345.

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.

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.

SENECA

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

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substitute organists

(Updated June, 2008)

Please report changes and additions to Susan Sturkie, Registrar (sloopystur@aol.com, 803-788-6807)

Sundays, Weddings And/Or Funerals

Sally Cherrington Beggs (803-276-8919) (Newberry) –

Substitution – Organ & Choir – Liturgical, Presbyterian

John Haney (790-6067) – Substitution - Organ & choir - Episcopal,

Presbyterian, Methodist

Mickey Johnson (803- 789-7464) (Chester) – Substitution – Organ & Choir, Funerals (Will come to

Columbia)

Charlene Shealy Lanford (727-9642) – Substitution (ELCA) – Organ & Choir; Funerals

Joan Marco (240-2054) – Substitution – Lutheran, Presbyterian, Methodist; Funerals

Richard McLeod - 462-0940 - Sunday & Weekdays - Services, Weddings & Funerals-Organ and Bagpipes!

Alice Philp (787-7798) – Substitution – Protestant (Non-liturgical); Weddings & Funerals

Ken Robbins (732-3031) – Funerals, **NOT AVAILABLE ON SUNDAYS NOW**

Karen Shevenell (781-8193) – Substitution; Funerals, Vocal Solos

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship , United Methodist, Presbyterian (PCUSA)

Bob Stone (786-7195) Substitution – Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Baptist; Weddings & Funerals

Robert Triplett (255-0072) – Substitution (**booked through August**)

Hubert Tucker (799-0207) – Substitution – Episcopal, Catholic, Lutheran; Funerals (**now at Ascension Lutheran – Available for Funerals and Weddings only**)

Jenny Walrath (732-5482) – Substitution – Lutheran, Episcopal (**Interim at St. Andrews Lutheran -Not available until August**)

Frances Webb - **NOT AVAILABLE NOW** - (772-1492) – Substitution – Episcopal, Lutheran; Funerals, Weddings

Ed West (803-377-3746, 737-0487) – Substitution – Organ & Choir – Presbyterian, Methodist, Catholic; Weddings - **NOT AVAILABLE NOW – Trenholm Road United Methodist Church Interim until Aug. 31.**

Marcus Works (422-3994) – Substitution, Weddings & Funerals

Monica Yates (736-9521) – Substitution – Organ only- Episcopal

Funerals, Weddings & Solos (Not Sunday Morning)(in addition to those above)

Glenda Clifton (791-1140) – Funerals & Weddings

Mark Dickens (798-6192) – Weddings

Joyce Farrow (843-413-9185) (Florence area only) – Funerals & Weddings – Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal, Baptist

Frank Griffin (796-7728) – Funerals & Weddings

Toni Hollingsworth (414-1935) – Funerals & Weddings

Mark Husey (760-6732) – Funerals, Weddings, Vocal Solos

Robert Jones (561-0325) – Funerals, Weddings (Organ or Piano)

Tina McGready (407-3387) –Funerals & Weddings – Organ, Vocal Solos

William McNair (736-7340) Weddings & Funerals

English Morris (736-2281) Funerals & Weddings

Elisa Moskovitz (256-2251) Funerals & Weddings

Robert Neese (926-7306) – Funerals & Weddings

Louis Shirer (553-2122) – Weddings

Susan Sturkie (788-6807) - Funerals

Sharon Witherell (787-3719) – Weddings, Funerals, Vocal solos
for Funerals & Weddings