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September Meeting

"Adding Vocal Training to Choir Rehearsals" Guests Welcome

The opening program of the 2013-2014 AGO Program Year will take place on Saturday, September 14 at St. John's Episcopal Church. Clinicians Jessica Gibbons, Dr. Tina Stallard, and Dr. Susan Wyatt will address vocal concerns which will help build your church choir program. Dr. Wyatt, director of the Greater Columbia Children's Choir and the Chamber Choir of Kershaw County, will begin the day by discussing "How to Teach Children to Sing in Tune." Dr. Tina Stallard, professor of voice at USC, along with Jessica Gibbons, who works with the Choirs of Boys and Girls at Trinity Cathedral, will explore the topic "Vocal Pedagogy for the Young and Old Voice." This is the time to add a vocal pedagogy dimension to your church choir rehearsals. These engaging local experts will share valuable tips on strengthening and revitalizing your programs.

Following the morning sessions, everyone in attendance (bring a friend) is invited to attend a catered lunch provided by a generous donor. The lunch is FREE to all, **BUT YOU MUST MAKE LUNCH RESERVATIONS BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**, so we will know how many people to expect. See below.

DATE:	Saturday, September 14, 2013 10:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. followed by lunch	
PLACE:	St. John's Episcopal Church 2827 Wheat Street Columbia SC 29205 Second Floor Educational Building	
DIRECTIONS:	From the parking lot behind the church, enter the Educational Building on your right and go to Second floor. Signage will be provided.	
LUNCH:	12:15 p.m. in Room 215 Educational Building FREE to all in attendance RESERVATIONS for the lunch are necessary by Sept. 12 Please RSVP to Frances Webb at franceswebb@sc.rr.com Deadline - Thursday, September 12, 2013	
MENU:	Grilled Chicken Breast, Seasoned New Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Salad, Bread, Dessert, Drink	

Mark your calendars to kick off the new AGO program year with this exciting day!

Trinity Cathedral to host Lord George Carey, 103rd Archbishop of Canterbury Worship as Formation:

Finding God in Liturgy and Sacred Music

Saturday, September 7 12:15 – 4:00 p.m. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 1100 Sumter Street, Columbia



This event has been planned especially for clergy, church musicians, choirs, & others who lead worship. Retired Archbishop of Canterbury George Carey will help us explore how liturgy nurtures and transforms. Lord Carey will be joined by workshop leaders Bishop Andrew Waldo, Dean Timothy Jones, Canon Choirmaster and Organist Jared Johnson, and internationally known organist and conductor Murray Forbes Somerville.

We will begin in the Cathedral at 1:00 pm with a noonday prayer service and a plenary address by Lord Carey; small group workshops will follow, and the afternoon will conclude with a question-&-answer period with Lord Carey. An optional light lunch will be served at 12:15 pm in Satterlee Hall. On Sunday, September 8, our regular 4:00 p.m. service of Choral Evensong will be replaced by a Hymn Festival, with sermon by Lord Carey; a reception will follow.

Everyone is invited to join in this wonderful opportunity for reflection, challenge and conversation. Please RSVP by noon Tuesday, September 3, to <u>receptionist@trinitysc.org</u>. Also, please specify if you will want lunch (for which a fee of \$5.00 will be collected at lunchtime) so we can plan appropriately.

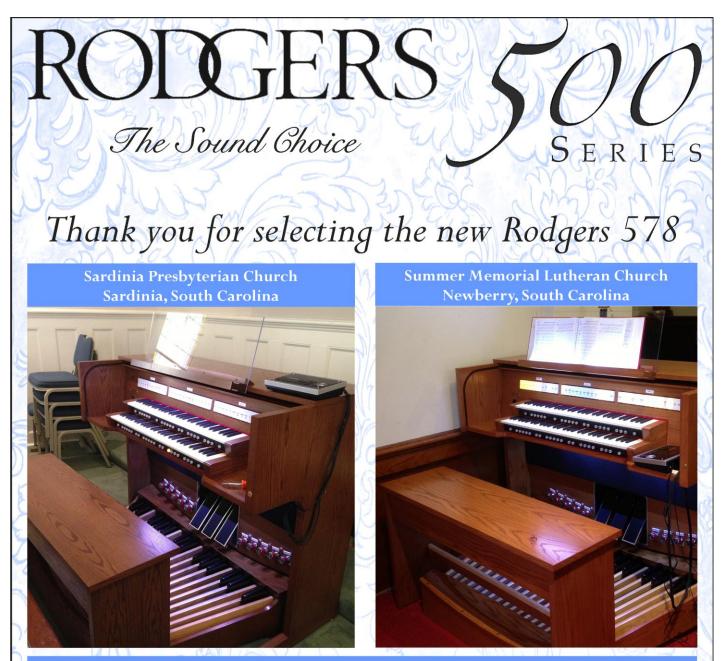
CHORAL EVENSONG

Every Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m.

(see note above concerning September 8)

Join us as the sun is setting for this service of readings, prayers, and music. Choral Evensong offers the finest elements of Anglican liturgy and music, and welcomes all people to Trinity Cathedral.

Join us following Evensong for hospitality and refreshments under the oaks in the Cathedral Courtyard.



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Sunday, September 29, 3 p.m. Cornelia Freeman Concert Series

School of Music Recital Hall

Sonata Breve – William H. Bates (b. 1943) William H. Bates, organ

Rigoletto: Concert Paraphrase – G. Verdi (1813-1901) arr. by F. Liszt (1811-1886) Isoldes Liebestod – R. Wagner (1813-1882) arr. by F. Liszt Symphony, Op. 39 – Charles V. Alkan (1813-1888) John Williams, piano Sonata in D Minor, Op. 29 – Robert Fuchs (1847-1927) Robert Jesselson, cello; Charles Fugo, piano

Spend your Sunday afternoon with the USC School of Music's renowned faculty performing a diverse repertoire. \$12 adults; \$10 seniors citizens, USC faculty and staff; \$5 students. Online at **Capitol Tickets**, 803-251-2222 or Koger Box Office, corner of Greene and Park Streets.



This 2013-2014 year features seven outstanding programs. Dates and venues will be announced in the newsletter prior to each event.

September "Adding Vocal Training to Choir Rehearsals" Local experts offer tips on vocal pedagogy for young and old voices. See separate article for details.

October "Deciphering the Code" Dr. Jerry Curry discusses ornamentation in the organ music of J.S. Bach and Francois Couperin. Tips on tempos and rhythms in *Messiah*. The program will be held in the historic Ebenezer Lutheran Chapel featuring the newly acquired harpsichord.

November "Weekend for High School Organists" Dr. Jared Johnson, adjunct professor of organ at USC, will lead a masterclass with high school organ students. Later that afternoon, last year's winner of the Young Organist Competition, Justin DuRant, will perform a recital.

January "Recital and Master Class" Dr. Patrick Scott (Myers Park Methodist Church in Charlotte, NC) will perform a recital on Friday evening. He will hold a masterclass on Saturday morning on improvisation. Dr. Scott holds the DMA degree from the University of Texas (Austin) where he studied with Gerre Hancock.

February "Master Class with Jack Mitchener" As part of a two-day workshop of the South Carolina Chapter of The Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts, Jack Mitchener, Professor of Organ at Mercer University in Macon, GA, will work with USC organ students.

March "Young Organist Competition" Now in its fourth year, the competition will once again feature young organists from the region in competition with monetary awards for the winners.

May "The Incomparable Wilma Jenson" Now 85 years old, Wilma Jenson is a legend in the organ world. She will perform a recital on Friday evening and offer a class on Saturday morning.

Be sure to read your monthly newsletter carefully for dates and venues of programs.

Please send information for October's newsletter to tonyroof@windstream.net by <u>September 20</u>.

September Birthdays



9/02 **Tom White** 9/09 **Patrick Hawkins** 9/18 **English Morris** 9/23 Sara Beardsley 9/24 **Robert Grenier** 9/24 **Robert Coulter** 9/25 **Robert Neese** 9/26 Susan Sturkie

OOPS!

The line asking for information about your music related employment was accidentally omitted from this year's dues form. If you are a <u>new member</u> or if you have <u>begun working at a new church</u> since the directory was printed last November, please send the name and address of your new church to <u>sloopystur@aol.com</u>.

If you have not sent your dues yet (they were due on June 30),

please include this information somewhere on the dues form.

Thank you!

REFORMATION HYMN FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 27, 2013, 6:00 p.m. Christ Chapel, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary 4201 N. Main Street, Columbia SC 29203

On Reformation Sunday the seminary will present an ecumenical hymn festival entitled, "The Church of Christ in Every Age". The focus of the service will be hunger and justice and how the church can respond in "reforming" ways to ministry needs in our time and place. Participants will include the seminary community, seminary choir and the seminary's ecumenical partners. The event will serve as a benefit for local food pantries. The organist will be Jim Johnson. All are invited. For more information contact Jim Johnson 803-609-2338.



Monty Bennett to play Dedication Concert on new Rodgers Organ

Sardinia Presbyterian Church

1386 Garland Rd

Sardinia SC 29143

Time: Date: 6 PM on October 13th, 2013

The new organ at Sardinia Presbyterian is a Rodgers model 578 (http://www.rodgersinstruments.com/organ578)

More information regarding this concert and Monty Bennett can be seen at

(http://www.dafferorgans.com/Events/tabid/100/Default.aspx)

From Robert Grenier.....

Brennan Szafron will be playing "The Thrones" from my <u>Book of</u> <u>Angels</u> as a postlude for a 5 p.m. St. Michael's Day evensong at the Church of the Advent in Spartanburg on Sept. 29th.

As an addendum to this summer's regional AGO convention and the performance of the Haitian mass, Oxford University Press has commissioned me to write the biographical entry on the composer, Werner Jaegerhuber (1900-1953), for their forthcoming <u>Dictionary</u> <u>of Caribbean and Afro-Latin American Biography</u>.

This summer Cimarron Press and its Brassworks division has published my two trumpet sonatas.

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POSITIONS AVAILABLE

** NEW LISTING - OR CHANGES

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

<u>CAYCE</u>

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

COLUMBIA

****Christ Lutheran Church,** 1323 Winyah Dr., Columbia 29203. Organist. Contact Susan Sturkie (sloopystur@aol.com) for more information when it arrives.

****Shandon UMC,** 3407 Devine Street, Part-time Music Associate/Organist position. Duties include: accompanying the Chancel Choir, Youth Choir and one of the Children's Choirs. If interested, please email a resume to Eddie Huss at ehuss@shandon-umc.org or call (803) 256-8383, ext. 104. The position will begin October 1, 2013.

FLORENCE

St. John's Episcopal Church, Parish Organist (10 hours). St. John's Episcopal Church, 252 S. Dargan Street, Florence, SC 29506. Phone: (843) 662-5585; fax: (843) 669-9443; e-mail: twilliams@stjohnsflorence.org; website: www.stjohnsflorence.org. The Music Ministry of this traditional 240-family parish church includes an annual concert series, annual regional choir workshop, summer choir camp, and 28-voice choir. Duties include accompanying weekly choir practice and playing for one Sunday service/week, seasonal liturgies, funerals, and weddings. The parish is seeking a competent musician with solid keyboard skills and a background in classical repertoire. A bachelor degree in music is preferred. Dedication to one's ministry, strong work ethic, excellent organizational skills, and ability to work collaboratively are essential to the continuing development of a rapidly growing, vibrant music ministry. 2-manual, 9-rank Moller pipe organ. \$11,000 (additional stipend for weddings). Send résumé, references, and audition tape/CD to Tammy Williams, Minister of Music.

HARTSVILLE

****First Baptist Church**, 104 E. Home Ave., Hartsville, SC 29550 is presently seeking an organist. The duties would include playing for a Sunday morning service plus accompanying the Sanctuary choir for a one hour rehearsal and possibly a children's choir for perhaps 45 to 60 minutes on Wednesday evenings. Duties would also include playing for funerals and any special services the church may have. (Additional compensation could be arranged for funerals--the special services would be very few.) Weddings would be contracted by organist and family with pre-determined rate negotiated with family. Send resume' to the church or contact Anthony Floyd at 843-858-6384 or floy8208@roadrunner.com.

SURFSIDE BEACH

Trinity Presbyterian Church in Surfside Beach, SC seeks a part-time Music Director/Choir Director/Organist, at the end of May: may be single or split position depending upon skills, interest and salary. Two Sunday services at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM (switches to one 9:30 AM summer service), one weekly choir practice (Wednesday). Digital organ/grand piano. Applicants should contact Pastor Preston Shealy at Trinity Presbyterian Church, PO Box 14758, Surfside Beach, SC 29587 or <u>churchoffice@trinitypresbychurch.com</u>.

WEST COLUMBIA

***Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church*, 3011 Leaphart Road, West Columbia, SC 29169. Interim needed immediately. This permanent part-time position includes: directing adult and children's choirs, handbell choir, organist for Sunday morning traditional service at 10:30am and accompanying the Praise Band at the 8:15am Contemporary Service. Zimmer 3 manual pipe organ. Submit resume and 3 references to: Pr. Eric Friedrichs at the church, Phone: 803-794-6430; Fax: 803-227-2922; E-mail: <u>Eric@mthlc.org</u>.