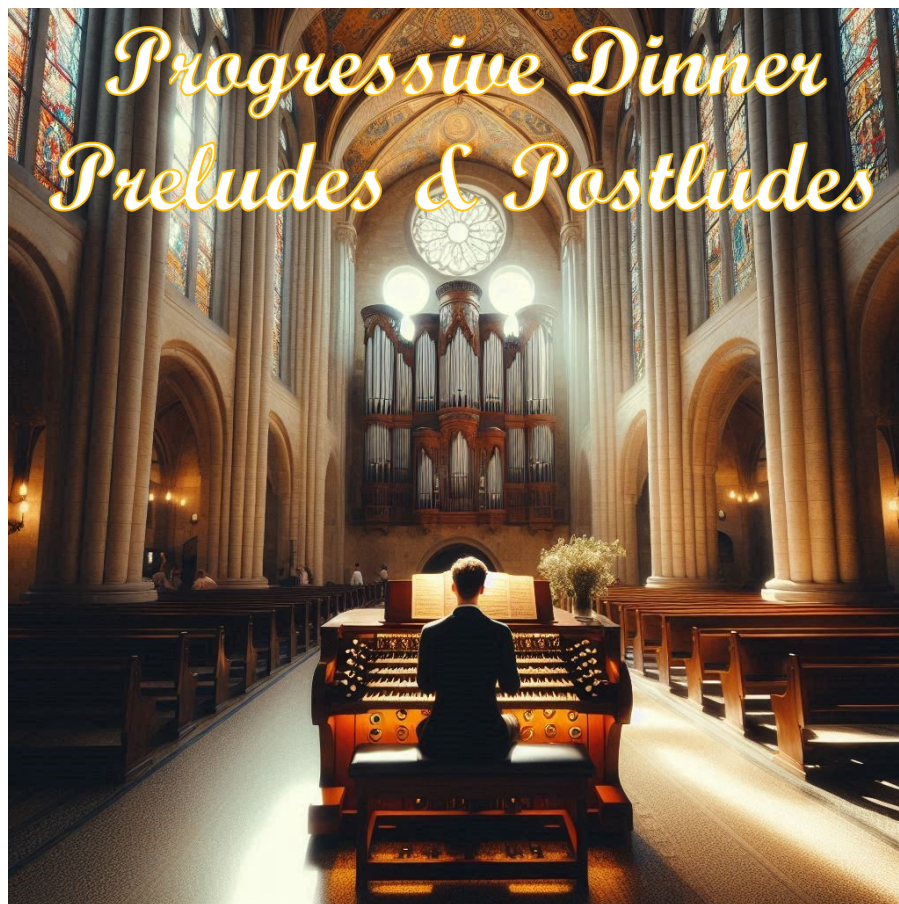


# The Greater Columbia Organist

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## Progressive Dinner: Preludes and Postludes Friday, September 13 6:00 PM

**Churches:** St. Paul Lutheran Church and Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.  
These churches are one block apart, near the intersection of Bull and Blanding Streets in Columbia. See the September newsletter for more details.

## Volunteer Organists Are Needed for the Program

If you have a favorite prelude or postlude that you'd like to play, please email Huger Caughman at [hpcaughman@gmail.com](mailto:hpcaughman@gmail.com) by **August 15**. This will be a time for sharing repertoire, rather than a formal recital. Selections will be limited to 3 minutes but can be abridged. More accessible selections are preferable for this program, as well ones that are currently in print.

# From Our Dean



It is hard to believe that the summer is nearly done. I do love the change of rhythm that this summer season presents. Many of you I know have taken professional development or well-earned vacation time. Wherever the summer has taken you, I hope it is a refreshing season of what I like to call “artistic self-care,” and that you will re-enter your posts in the autumn with renewed creative vigor and energy.

At our latest planning meeting, the board took time and reflected on a rich year of programming; an improvisation workshop with our very own William Douglas (soon to be departing to a Savannah post), a Charleston organ crawl, and hosting international organist Chelsea Chen here in Columbia. As you know, we’ve been intentionally exploring ways to get more of our membership to attend our programs, and we thank those of you who took time to fill out our recent survey. This assisted greatly with planning and assessment, and we can’t wait to share the new program year with the membership. We have also received a healthy boost to our scholarship fund for area organ students, and recently awarded two very deserving young scholars who will be introduced to you all at our September program. I hope that many of you will come out to meet and encourage these young students.

As your dean, it is my great privilege to lead our membership, so please do direct any questions or comments my way. Stay creative for the remainder of this summer, and remember to care for yourself.

With best wishes,

*Lenora Jeffcoat*

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## Hymn Society Announces 2024 Fellows

Marty Haugen, **Jan Kraybill**, Mark A. Miller, and Adam M. L. Tice were honored recently as Fellows of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada for outstanding leadership and significant contributions in encouraging, promoting, and enlivening congregational song. **Jan Kraybill** was the clinician for the Greater Columbia Chapter’s January 2024 Zoom meeting. Congrats to all. [Read more.](#)

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## Upcoming AGO Programs 2024-2025



### **October Program (date and time TBA): Recital by Paul Thomas**

**Location:** Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

Paul Thomas was recently appointed Director of Music / Organist at Trinity Cathedral.

### **Friday, November 15, 7:00 p.m.: Organ Recital Henry Dangerfield**

**Location:** Shandon United Methodist Church

## **PLANS FOR WINTER/SPRING PROGRAMS**

Plans for Winter/Spring include programs on organ techniques, choral methods (with directing from the console), YOC Competition (March 8), and a Zoom on AGO certification (April 7). The final program in May will be a dinner with a program of music for organ and instruments. More information on all of these programs will be included in upcoming issues of the newsletter.



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**AUGUST 20, 2024**  
6:30 PM

**Organ Scholar  
Alumni Recital**

Three alumni of FPC's Organ Scholars  
program play a joint recital:

Ezra Blackwell, senior at Hillsdale  
College

Ryan Greene, recent graduate of the  
Eastman School of Music

Latimer Rogland, sophomore at the  
University of Michigan

**SEPTEMBER 6, 2024**  
12:30 PM

**September First Friday  
Organ Concert**

11:45pm lunch in Jackson Hall,  
12:30pm concert in the Sanctuary

Thomas Russell plays works of Bach,  
Bates, Handel, and Mendelssohn

**OCTOBER 4, 2024**  
12:30 PM

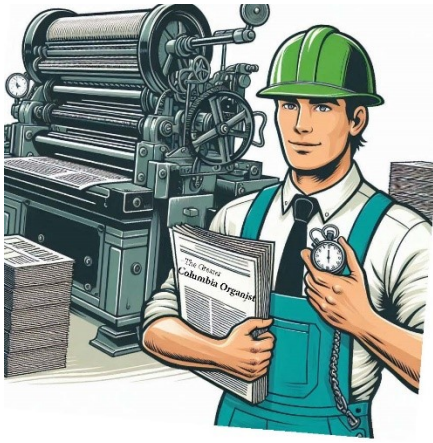
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Samuel Metzger, organist of  
Covenant Presbyterian Church,  
Nashville, TN

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## Newsletter Deadline

The **20<sup>th</sup>** of every month is the deadline for the following month's AGO newsletter. Information received after that time may not appear in that month's newsletter.



- 8/04 William L. Scobee
- 8/06 Norman A. McCorkle
- 8/11 Charlie VanAtter
- 8/23 Randy Moore
- 8/29 Eric Reagan

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## For Sale

Hi all,

A couple of months ago I bought a set of non-speaking façade pipes. I used some of them to build a façade that hides my organ speakers (pictured). I am looking to sell the rest. The sets come with their toe boards and racks. The buyer(s) must pick them up or arrange shipping. Make me an offer on all of them, the sets or individual pipes. Drop me an email for details and additional pics at [dtony1964@msn.com](mailto:dtony1964@msn.com)

Thx

Tony Carson

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# 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.

**\*\* NEW LISTING OR CHANGES IN JOB DESCRIPTION OR AD**

### **CHESTER**

***Presbyterian Church*** in Chester - Interim organist or substitute organist. Magnificent organ, 1976 Austin with the console rebuilt two years ago. It is a two manual 36 rank instrument. There is also a 1938 Steinway Grand Piano in the worship space. Prelude, Offertory, Postlude, Doxology, Gloria Patri, and three hymns are required for each service. Interested persons should send their resume or background information to [maestrocto@gmail.com](mailto:maestrocto@gmail.com).

### **COLUMBIA**

***Holy Trinity Lutheran Church***, 2200 Lee St., Columbia (Five Points), SC 29205. HTLC is a confessional liturgical congregation in fellowship with the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod and as such we practice closed communion. An organist is needed for our 10:30 Sunday as well as seasonal services. We follow a liturgical order of worship, and have a two manual pipe organ. A permanent commitment is ideal, however, we are willing to consider short term contracts such as 3 or 6 month. If you are interested in this position please contact Rev. Christopher Burger at (803) 799-7224 or via email at [Rev.Burger@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.Burger@gmail.com)



**Shandon United Methodist Church**, 3407 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205.

Organist and Music Associate position Part -time position or potential for a full-time position if interested in some administrative duties. Please email Eddie Huss, Minister of Music at [ehuss@shandon-umc.org](mailto:ehuss@shandon-umc.org) or text 336-870-0534 for additional information. The position is open July 1, 2024. (The organ was built by Moller and Angerstein Organ Works, 68 ranks over 3 manuals).

### **GILBERT**

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**, 246 St. Paul's Church Rd.,

Gilbert, SC 29054 is seeking a Music Director for its Sunday worship services. The applicant may interview for the entire position (Organist/Pianist/Choir Director/Handbell Director) or for a single or any combination of these positions depending on their skill levels. The Music Director leads and directs the choir / praise band (when applicable) during worship. Also, is responsible for scheduling choir / praise band (when applicable) and handbell rehearsals, selecting appropriate music and managing annual music budgets. Music should be appropriate for use in the Lutheran service and follow the theme or the lessons appointed for the day. Hymns/Songs from the ELW and the Worship & Praise book should be used. Music selections shall be made in consultation with the Pastor whenever possible. Special programs are normally presented seasonally, i.e. Christmas Cantata/Children's Christmas Program, Easter, Community Thanksgiving services when held at St. Paul's, Lenten services and following special Lutheran celebration Sundays throughout the year. Compensation for this position is negotiable based on experience and merit. For more information and complete job description or to apply, contact Janet Boyd at [boyd5janet@gmail.com](mailto:boyd5janet@gmail.com) or 803-634-0018.

### **HARTSVILLE**

**St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church**, Hartsville, SC, is in search of a part-time Organist. Duties include Sunday services, Wednesday night choir rehearsals, and any special services during the year. Salary is \$300 per week (negotiable) and extra for additional services. The Organist gets two days paid vacation plus sick leave. Our instrument is a 32-rank, two manual, Casavant Freres Limitee. The Organist reports to the Music Director and the Rector. If interested in the position, please send your resume to St. Bartholomew's at 103 Campus Dr. Hartsville, SC 29550 or via email at [stbartsepiscopal@gmail.com](mailto:stbartsepiscopal@gmail.com).

### **LEXINGTON**

**Lexington United Methodist Church**, Organist. Two Sunday morning services, Tues. evening service, Wed. practice, additional services for Advent and Lent. Traditional/Classical style. Vibrant and growing congregation that is welcoming to all! Wonderful choir and many fine instrumentalists. Allen organ. Salary commensurate with experience. Contact Diane Crosby, Church Administrator, with your resume or any questions - (803)359-6838 ext. 113 or [dcrosby@lexumcsc.com](mailto:dcrosby@lexumcsc.com)

### **MOUNT PLEASANT**

**Hibben United Methodist Church**, 690 Coleman Blvd, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

Organist and Choirmaster Part Time: Responsible for planning, leading and coordination for the overall music ministries of Hibben UMC Church. Principal duties are Sunday morning worship, special services such as Christmas and Easter, weekly Choir rehearsals, ensemble and volunteer coordination, and planning with worship committee, staff and other volunteers to create worship that is energetic and true to the value system of a congregation that strives to serve and grow in discipleship and mission. Principle report is to the Lead Pastor and administrative accountability is to Staff Parish Relations Committee.

Salary and hours will be determined based on experience and other qualifications. A successful background check is required for this position. To apply, please submit a resume with a cover letter and three professional references to [srprice@comcast.net](mailto:srprice@comcast.net). Please contact Mr. Price or Rev. Sara White ([revsara@hibbenumc.org](mailto:revsara@hibbenumc.org)) to request a complete job description.

## **ORANGEBURG**

***First Baptist Church of Orangeburg*** is seeking a part-time organist to provide service music for Sunday worship, as well as special occasions throughout the year. Regular duties include accompanying Wednesday night choir rehearsal (7:00 pm) and playing for Sunday worship services (11:00 a.m.). The organ is a Moller, 3-manual: swell; great; choir, with 31 ranks from the original installation. The pedal board was built to AGO standard. The organ was installed in 1968 and rebuilt by Schlueter Pipe Organ Company of Lithonia, Georgia in 2007, with additional Walker digital stops added. Resumés may be sent to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 637, Orangeburg, SC 29116 or emailed to [jane@fbcorangeburg.org](mailto:jane@fbcorangeburg.org).

## **ROCK HILL**

***Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, Associate Reformed***, 2132 Ebenezer Road, Rock Hill SC. Director of Music The link below will take those interested to the specifics on how to apply, the specifications of our pipe organ, and the new job description with salary included. <https://ebenezerarp.org/>

## **SAINT MATTHEWS**

***St. Paul U.M.C.***, 1808 Bridge Street, Saint Matthews, SC 29135. We have an opening for an organist and choir director. Job requirements include choir practice at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings (or another time during the week) and worship service on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Some additional services throughout the year (Christmas Eve, funerals, etc.) may also be requested. The instrument is a 1937 Moeller Pipe Organ.

Please call (803) 874-2166 or email at [stpaulsmumc@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulsmumc@gmail.com) for more details.

## **WINNSBORO**

***Sion Presbyterian Church*** (PCUSA) in Winnsboro is seeking a part-time music director/organist or pianist to provide music on Sundays at the 11 a.m. worship service and at the 9:30 a.m. adult choir rehearsal preceding the Sunday service. Duties include preparing and playing a prelude, offertory, choral anthem, hymns and postlude. Additional services throughout the year include one Christmas Eve service. Any other services will be discussed on a one-to-one basis, with additional compensation for the musician.

The church instruments include a Kegg pipe organ, a Steinway grand piano and three octaves of handbells. Sion is a traditional church with a congregation who loves and appreciates quality music and the efforts of musicians. This position has potential for growth in the adult choir as well as the formation of a handbell choir.

Sion Presbyterian is 30 miles north of Columbia. The church is flexible regarding terms of employment and the music position can be permanent, part-time, interim or Sunday by Sunday. The salary is \$200 per week, and this may be negotiable depending on qualifications and commitment.

For questions or more information, please call the Sion church office at 803-635-3391 and leave a message for Lynne Douglass.