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Columbia Organist



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November Meeting – November 21

10:00 a.m. MASTER CLASS with KENNETH MILLER USC Recital Hall

AGO members will perform for Kenneth Miller in a master class. Mr. Miller is the Associate Organist/Choirmaster at Trinity Cathedral in Columbia, SC. He is nearing the completion of the doctorate at the Yale School of Music and Institute of Sacred Music as an organ student of Martin Jean and Thomas Murray and holds degrees from Yale and Lenoir-Rhyne University.

12:30 p.m. LUNCH (\$10)

Make your reservation for lunch by Tuesday, Nov. 17 - FrancesWebb@sc.rr.com

Shandon United Methodist Church

3407 Devine Street
Columbia, SC 29205

2:00 p.m. RECITAL

Shandon United Methodist Church

DAVID STULTZ

Winner of the 2015 Young Organist Competition

David Stultz is a 17 year-old junior at Baylor School in Chattanooga, Tennessee. David studies with Jason DuRoy, organist at Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church. In March 2015, David won first place and the hymn playing award in the Young Organist Competition sponsored by the Greater Columbia AGO Chapter. He has performed in concert with the Chattanooga Jericho Brass and the Chattanooga Youth Symphony Orchestra. The program will include a hymn improvisation and works by Bach, Mendelssohn, Franck, and Faxon, demonstrating everything from lush strings to powerful pedal reeds and trumpets.





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**ALL SAINTS' DAY
November 1, 2015
at Trinity Cathedral**

All services will be conducted by Paul Spicer

**11:15 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Palestrina – Missa brevis
Schütz – Selig sind die Toten**

**4:00 p.m. – Requiem Mass
Faure – Requiem
John Scott – Behold, O God our defender**

**Paul Spicer, imminent British conductor, composer,
and scholar, will conclude a week's residency at
Trinity Cathedral by conducting all services on
November 1, including the 4:00 p.m. All Saints'
Requiem. Perhaps best known for his many
recordings as conductor of the Finzi Singers, Mr.
Spicer teaches conducting at Birmingham
Conservatoire, as well as Oxford and Durham**

**Universities. He began his career as a chorister at New College, Oxford, and was
later a pupil of Herbert Howells. He published a biography of Howells in 1998;
his biography of George Dyson was published this past May. In addition to
conducting rehearsals with the Cathedral Choirs, Mr. Spicer will lead classes and
rehearsals at the USC School of Music.**





Furman Music

FURMAN UNIVERSITY TO HOST CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE JAN. 21-22

Furman University will host its 2016 Church Music Conference on campus Thursday and Friday, Jan. 21 and 22. The conference is open to the public. Registration for the two-day event is \$70 prior to Jan. 7, and \$90 after that date as space remains.

Founded in 1971, the Furman University Church Music Conference is made possible through a grant from the Thomson Foundation. Drawing church musicians from all over the Southeast, the conference features nationally known clinicians who present lectures and conduct workshops relating to the practice of church music. Guest clinicians for this year's conference are Dennis Keene and William Bradley Roberts.

Dennis Keene is Organist/Choirmaster of The Church of the Ascension (Episcopal), New York and Music Director of the acclaimed ensemble Voices of Ascension, known both nationally and internationally for their spectacular CD recordings of repertory from all periods. Keene will present sessions on choral techniques and conducting, including a master class at which selected conference attendees will conduct for, and receive feedback and coaching from Keene. He will also conduct open rehearsals with the Furman Singers, Furman Chamber Choir, and the adult choir of Greenville's Westminster Presbyterian Church.

William Bradley Roberts, author of *Music and Vital Congregations: A Practical Guide for Clergy*, will present sessions on Clergy/Musician Working Relationships, Hymnody of Our Time, and his own critically praised sacred choral compositions.

Assisted by the Furman Singers and Furman Chamber Choir, Furman Professor of Organ Charles Tompkins will present a recital on the magnificent C.B. Fisk Organ, Opus 121, in the Charles E. Daniel Memorial Chapel.

More information about the Church Music Conference may be found at this [link](#). Or contact conference coordinator and University Organist Dr. Charles Tompkins at (864) 294-2969, or by email, charles.tompkins@furman.edu. The Furman Music Department may be reached at (864) 294-2086.

Furman Music

Hartness Organ Series

PRESENTS

Douglas Cleveland

Organist



Dr. Cleveland is the Music Director at Plymouth Congregational Church, Seattle, Washington, and is the John DeLo Faculty Fellow in Organ at the University of Washington School of Music, Seattle.

"In Douglas Cleveland's hands the organ seemed to squeeze the air into towering sculptures." *The Chicago Tribune*

NOVEMBER 5, 2015

8PM, THURSDAY

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www.furman.edu/MusicTickets

864.294.2086

James O'Donnell at Winthrop

James O'Donnell, Organist and Master of the Choristers at Westminster Abbey, is playing an organ concert on Sunday, February 14, 2016, 3:00 p.m., at Byrnes Auditorium, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC. Watch for more information.

5th Annual HS Organ Festival & Competition

The Winston-Salem Chapter will co-sponsor along with UNC School of the Arts and Salem College, the annual High School Organ Festival & Competition. Applications and CD recording are due **Friday, December 18, 2015**. The Festival & Competition will be held **January 29-31, 2016** in Winston-Salem, NC. All high school students who have not already won first-prize are eligible to enter. For more detailed information about schedule, prizes, and instruments, please visit: <http://www.timothyolsenorganist.com/hs-competition.html>

October Meeting Recap

Guest organist Stephen Hamilton presented an exciting program on Friday, October 16 at the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary on the 46-rank Flentrop organ. The AGO Chapter hosted a reception following the recital where the enthusiastic audience visited with the artist. On Saturday morning, October 17, Mr. Hamilton presented a workshop on new organ music for the liturgical year. A group of twelve members and two guests enjoyed the two-hour lecture-demonstration. Participants received a complete list of the music discussed including titles, composers, and publishers for reference.

Pictured below: Stephen Hamilton addressing the group.





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Barbara Taylor, a member of the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO, has had a catastrophic loss due to the recent floods. Her church is collecting funds for her. Please help by sending monetary donations to:
Grace Episcopal Church
1315 Lyttleton Street
Camden, SC 29020
Please mark the checks for "Barbara Taylor Flood Relief."

KEN COWAN

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2015

3:30 P.M.

BREVARD-DAVIDSON RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
249 EAST MAIN STREET, BREVARD, NC

BREVARD-DAVIDSON RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WILL PRESENT ORGANIST KEN COWAN IN CONCERT. ADMISSION TO THE CONCERT IS FREE OF CHARGE; AN OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN FOR THE MUSIC FUND, WITH TEN PERCENT GOING TO THE SHARING HOUSE.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT CHARLIE STEELE AT 828.884.2645, EXT. 31.

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On November 13th, 2015, at 5:30 PM, Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Patrons and Friends of the Arts at Ebenezer will present a free concert in the beautiful Ebenezer sanctuary of two of Bach's masterpieces, 'Goldberg Variations' and 'The Art of Fugue'. These will be performed solo at the piano by Matthew C. Ganong, and were composed during the last decade of the composer's life, representing the full fruition of his creative powers. Along with the music, there will be River Rat craft beers/soda and food from the Wurst Wagen for sale around the spreading oak in the church courtyard making it a real celebration! During the many intermissions people will be able to come and go from the sanctuary as they wish, to hear music or relax outside and enjoy some German-style fare. This event affords the unique opportunity to enjoy these masterworks of the Baroque era in a mellow and beautiful setting, under the historic oak in downtown Columbia's historic Ebenezer Lutheran Church. Please come and enjoy an offering of Bach, Beer, and Friends under the influence of 'Goldberg Variations' and 'The Art of Fugue'! Please see <http://www.patronsandfriends.org/> for additional information.

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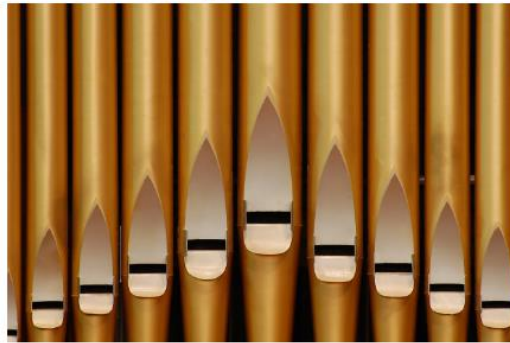
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Young Organist Competition 2016



sponsored by the
Greater Columbia AGO Chapter

Saturday, March 12, 2016
Columbia, S.C.

Open to grades 8–12

First Prize \$1,000
Second Prize \$500
Third Prize \$300
Hymn Playing Award \$250
Bach Playing Award \$250

For rules and application see
Young Organist Competition 2016
at www.columbiaago.org



November Birthdays

11/01 CHARLENE SHEALY LANFORD
11/04 MONTY BENNETT
11/04 BEVERLY SALLEY
11/11 JOY ACKERMAN
11/16 KEITH TAYLOR
11/17 MARGARET DAVIS
11/26 LOUIS SHIRER
11/26 FRANCES WEBB
11/29 ELISA MOSKOVITZ

NEW MEMBER

Bill Johns

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Organist

Spring Valley Presbyterian Church

*Please send information for December's newsletter to
tonyroof@windstream.net by November 20.*

Positions Available

**** NEW LISTING - OR CHANGES**

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

AUGUSTA, GA

Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church; 2261 Walton Way; Augusta, GA 30904

Organist Search: Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church (PC-USA), an historic congregation in Augusta, Georgia with a long tradition of musical excellence in worship, invites applications for the part-time position of church organist. The organist plays for choral rehearsals and one traditional service of worship each Sunday. The church has a 3-manual, 65-rank Schantz organ in four divisions, and a 9' Hamburg Steinway piano in the sanctuary. The Ministry of Music currently consists of the Chancel Choir, Adult Handbells, Children's Choir, Steel-Drum Band, Woodwind Ensemble, High School Women's Ensemble, and Brass Ensemble. Recent presentation by the Chancel Choir have included Handel's Messiah and Poulenc's Gloria. Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in music required; advanced degree in organ or sacred music preferred. Minimum of three years' experience in service-playing, accompanying at the organ and piano, and hymn-playing required. Ability to sight-read accompaniments of moderate difficulty. Familiarity with traditional Reformed worship. Duties: Play for rehearsals of the Chancel Choir, possibly also Children's Choir. Direct/accompany the High School Women's Ensemble. Other duties as assigned or as match the successful candidate's skills and interests. The Church Organist has right of first refusal for weddings and funerals, and is compensated separately for each. Assist with production of John G. Schaeffer Memorial Organ Concert, a biennial event featuring organists of national/international reputation. Position reports to the Director of Music. Salary: Compensation is competitive, in accordance with AGO guidelines. (\$18,000-\$22,000) Deadline: Review of applications is under way, and will continue until the position is filled. To apply, send a letter of interest, a resume or CV, and a list of four professional references to: Organist Search-Music Ministry; Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church; 2261 Walton Way; Augusta, GA 30904. Do not send recordings at this time. For more information, contact Dr. Richard Cook, Director of Music: rcook@reidchurhaugusta.org.

BISHOPVILLE

Bishopville United Methodist Church, 115 W. Church St., Bishopville, SC 29010 has an immediate opening for a part-time Organist or Organist/Choir Director. Job requirements are Wednesday evening choir practice, Sunday pre-worship practice, worship service (11 a.m.), special services, and funeral services. Salary is commensurate with responsibilities of individual(s). The instrument is a 15 rank, 2 manual, 1978 Austin organ. Please direct all inquired to Don at 843-339-8611 or dgrant@mantissarow.com

CAYCE

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

Ft. Jackson Chapel, Catholic Service, Main Post Chapel. Keyboardist/Organist for Catholic Service on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Contact Tharon Honeycutt, President, MSB Analytics, Inc., at his cellphone: 256-541-1593 or email him at: Tharon.honeycutt@msbainc.com.

Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 6904 Satchelford Road, 29206, is seeking a part-time Organist and Choir Director starting in August 2014. (Contact Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com or the church contact person for a complete job description.) Qualified applicants should email resume and letter of interest to Elizabeth Barrett at elbarrett@ymail.com or call 803-553-0362.

North Trenholm Baptist Church, 6515 N. Trenholm Rd., Columbia SC 29206 has an immediate opening for a part-time Organist. Job requirement is for Traditional Worship service, Sunday mornings only 8:00 AM- 10:00 AM, and perhaps a special service during the year. Salary is commensurate with responsibilities of individual. The instrument is a Baldwin Model B290-2 manual. Please contact Michael Cates, M.Div., michael@ntbc.org or 803- 518-4567.

Saint Peter's Catholic Church, 1529 Assembly Street, Columbia SC 29202 Historic, downtown, Roman Catholic parish with demonstrable support of musical excellence seeks one or two musician(s) with the following skill sets: Organist proficient in accompanying, service playing, and improvisation with a love of hymnody (*The English Hymnal, Worship III and Gather III, Flor y Canto*) **and** Liturgically adept choirmaster versed in the Church's vast treasury of choral literature (Chant Mass Ordinaries, choral Masses, anthems and cantata/oratorio excerpts by 15th - 21st century Euro-American composers in their original languages) with passion for recruiting and training boys/girls and adult amateur/professional choristers and cantors. The current Organist/Choirmaster creates and edits two or more weekly orders of worship and has assisted with other communication media related to the music ministry and parish life.

Examples of repertoire available at <http://YouTube.com/visitstpeters> Music Ministry profile at <http://www.visitstpeters.org/sacred-music.html> Competitive salary/benefits in accordance with AGO/NPM standards. Submit résumés/queries to Choirmaster@visitstpeters.org No phone calls, please.

Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1000 Greenlawn Ave, Columbia SC 29209 is seeking a part time Choir Director/Organist. The director will be responsible for the following: (1) Plan and provide instrumental and choral music at the regularly scheduled worship services which include: Christmas Eve, Holy Week and during Vacation Bible School (as needed) and any other special services planned by Worship Committee and Session. (2) Recruiting, assisting and supervising the current Adult choir and Children's choir (as an accompaniment to seasonal services). This includes weekly rehearsals. (3) Participate in weekly meetings with Pastor; meet monthly with the Worship Committee as an ex officio member (or send choir rep). Coordinate with Pastor and/or Worship Committee the general planning and leadership of the Church's worship program. (4) Provide music for all wedding and funerals in the church, when requested. Please contact Pastor Robyn Garrison, office 803-776-2067, email robyn@trinitypresonline.com.

DENMARK

****Bethel Park United Methodist Church** 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 7 p.m. Our Sunday morning worship service is at 11 a.m. We will offer salary commensurate with experience. Additional playing for funerals is negotiable. Special services will be required at Christmas and Easter. Please contact Rev. Terry Roof at TARoof@umcsc.org, or the church office at 803-793-3669.

GILBERT

Cherokee Presbyterian Church, 3622 Augusta Highway, Gilbert, SC 29054 (803) 356-4289 Music Director. Please forward your resume to contact@cherokeepresbytrian.com Description: The church musician is responsible for planning and leading the music played and sung during worship services in accordance with the mission, vision and values of Cherokee Presbyterian Church. Director has experience and training in contemporary and traditional church worship music, directing a band, leading singers, providing leadership and management, and experience in creating a clear professional sound. (For complete job description, contact the church.)

LEXINGTON

****Zion Lutheran Church**, 226 Corley Mill Road, Lexington, SC 29072, Part Time Organist/Music Director. The position of Music Director is vital to the ministry of Zion Lutheran Church. The person filling this position should be of good character and ready to lead the music ministry of the congregation. Responsibilities include worship planning, leading vocal and handbell choirs for all ages, and playing the organ and piano for all worship services.

The successful applicant will have:

- At least a Bachelor's degree in music with proficiency in vocal production
- A working knowledge of Lutheran liturgies and the selection of music appropriate to liturgical seasons
- A cheerful attitude and strong work ethic

Position available immediately with competitive salary based on experience. The job description for this position is available @ <http://zionlexsc.com/news-2/news/>

Please forward resume with cover letter to ZionChurch@Zionlexsc.com – Attention: Mutual Ministry Team. No phone calls, please.

NEWBERRY

Newberry Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Organist and/or Choir Director
Contact is Marc Faulkenberry, (803) 351-0800, marcfaulkenberry@att.net.
www.newberryarp.org

ST. MATTHEWS

****St. Paul United Methodist Church**, 1808 Bridge Street, Saint Matthews, SC 29135. We have an opening for an organist and choir director beginning January 1st, or possibly sooner. Job requirements include a Sunday morning service at 11am, and an hour long choir practice at another time during the week (TBD), some additional services throughout the year (Christmas Eve, funerals,) may also be requested. The instrument is a 1934 Moeller Pipe Organ.

Please call (803) 874-2166 to speak to Pastor Sara Relaford (rev.relaford@gmail.com), or Parish Administrator, Rae Penn.

Church Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StPaulUMCSC?fref=ts>

Church Website: <http://www.stpaulsmumc.com/>

WINNSBORO

First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 59, Winnsboro, SC 29180. Minister of Music/Choir Director. The Director of Music is to assist the Pastor in planning and leading the worship service and to provide direction for the church music groups. The Director of Music will supervise the pianist and organist. Introduce a graded choir program-preschool through senior adults. Direct music groups as needed coordinating the music ministry with the entire church program emphasis. Arrange and provide music for all worship services, weddings, funerals and other activities as requested. Send resume to FBC, P.O. Box 59, Winnsboro, SC 29180, Att. Personnel Chairman. For more information and a complete job description, please contact Dale Connor at dalec@truvista.net.