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Dr. Sally Cherrington Beggs

Get Ready to Dance:
Music Featuring Pedals

Monday, November 13, 2006

Meal 6:30 PM Cost: \$10***
Meeting 7:30 PM



Union Methodist Church
[7582 Woodrow St, Irmo, SC](#)
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Mark your calendars now for our next AGO meeting, Monday, November 13th, at Union Methodist Church, 7582 Woodrow Street in Irmo. Dinner will begin at 6:30 and the program will start at 7:30.

This program showcases organ literature that emphasizes the pedals, ranging from a beginning to an advanced level. It will also integrate suggestions for achieving optimum pedal proficiency, both in "normal" pedaling and in handling specialized pedal techniques.

Menu

*****Reservations are required for dinner and needed by Thursday, November 9. Cost \$10.** Please contact Susan Sturkie {803-788-6807 or sloopystur@aol.com} if you plan to eat.

- Herb chicken breast
- Squash Casserole
- Green Beans
- Salad
- Tea
- Dessert

Sally Cherrington Beggs is the Chair of the Music Department, College Organist, and an Associate Professor of Music at Newberry College, the Lutheran (ELCA) college for the Southeast located in Newberry, South Carolina. Recently, Dr. Cherrington was awarded the Carter Endowed Chair for the 2006-2007 academic year based on outstanding teaching and service to the college. Dr. Cherrington relocated to South Carolina in 2000 from the Chicago area, where she was the full-time Director of Music at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Park Ridge, Illinois (a suburb of Chicago), and the College Organist and adjunct Assistant Professor of Music at Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, IL. Dr. Cherrington is active as a free-lance performer; she has performed extensively in major churches throughout the eastern seaboard and Midwest, as well as making several concert tours of Europe as a soloist or accompanist. On one of these international tours she was the accompanist for the Choir of the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena in Allentown, Pennsylvania, on their concert tour of Italy, which included a performance for Pope John Paul II. Recent programs include concerts with the Chicago Brass Quintet, a solo recital for the 2002 and 2003 national conventions of the Organ Historical Society, and a concert/c.d. with the Park Ridge Chorale, a professional choir in Chicago.

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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.

Directions to Union United Methodist Church

From Columbia: I-26 West to exit 102A {SC-60 W} towards Irmo. Go approximately 1 mile and turn right onto Woodrow Street. Church is on right.

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She was also the organist/choir director for the 2005 National Triennial Convention of the Women of the ELCA. She has been the organ soloist with several orchestras and chamber groups in Chicago and the northeast for major works, including the organ concerti of Handel and Poulenc and the Saint-Saen's "Organ Symphony".

Dr. Cherrington completed her Doctor of Musical Arts degree in organ from Yale University, where she also received her Master of Musical Arts and Master of Music degrees as an organ student of Thomas Murray and Charles Krigbaum. While at Yale she won the Charles Ives Organ Prize from the Yale School of Music and the Faculty Award from the Yale Institute of Sacred Music, and she was named the Frank Bozyan Organ Scholar from 1989 to 1991. She was an Instructor in Organ at Yale as well as serving as the Minister of Music at the First Congregational Church in Wallingford CT. During this period she also premiered "Bell Piece" by Percy Grainger with the Yale Concert Band in Carnegie Hall, New York City. She received her undergraduate education at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, where she graduated first in her class.

Prior to attending Yale, Dr. Cherrington was the Staff Organist and Teacher at the International Headquarters of the Allen Organ Company. In this capacity she performed extensively (about 150 solo recitals), ran their active teaching program, wrote instructional materials, and conducted workshops throughout the United States and Canada. She also wrote and appeared in Allen Organ's series of three educational videos for church organists, now sold internationally.

Dr. Cherrington continues to appear nationally as a workshop clinician and has presented workshops for university and professional groups such as the American Guild of Organists, the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, and the Music Teachers' Association. She presented a workshop at the national A.G.O. convention in summer of 2006 on music that features the pedals. A specialization is workshops for organists on avoiding and treating performance injuries; she was invited to give a workshop on this topic at the national convention of the American Guild of Organists in 2002. She has had articles published in The Diapason, Your Church, Grace Notes, and Cross-Accent magazines; her article on "Organ Pedagogy" appears in the new International Organ Encyclopedia published by Routledge. Her book on historical American organ pedagogy is nearing publication.

Dr. Cherrington is married to Dr. Mike Beggs, the Chair of the Religion and Philosophy Department at Newberry College. They have two sons, Zachary, age 11 and Nathan, age 7.

2006-2007 Remaining Meetings

November 13

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December 8

Christmas Party
The Heritage, 1829 Senate St.,
Columbia

January 19-20

Overnight organ crawl to
Charlotte, NC area.

February 17

Pedals Pipes & Pizza

February TBA

Children's Choir Choral
workshop

March 12

Luncheon-Professional Concerns

April 27 & 28

Concert and Improvisation
Workshop
Robert P. Ridgell, assistant
organist, Trinity Church, New
York

May TBA

Progressive Dinner

Charlotte Organ Crawl

With the success of the past several years' organ crawls, we are going to have an overnight crawl this year. The crawl will begin on Friday, January 19, 2007. On Friday evening we will have access to Byrnes Auditorium with the 1955 Æolian-Skinner, a signature organ of G. Donald Harrison. After an overnight stay in Rock Hill, we will continue Saturday with the instruments at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Christ Church Episcopal, Calvary Church {when installed was the 13th largest organ in the world} and, finally, Friendship Church {with a large new Ruffatti}.

We need to know how many are planning on staying overnight so that we can make proper reservations. We will do our best to find you a roommate, if needed. Please email Tony Roof tonyroof@windstream.net if you are planning to need a hotel reservation.

Upcoming Events

November 5 Evening Prayer and Concert at LTSS. Evening Prayer and the June Louise Samson Choral Concert Christ Chapel, Southern Seminary, 4:30 o'clock p.m., featuring the King Moravian Church Choir & Band from King, North Carolina, followed by a buffet reception.

November 5 College of Charleston Concert at Saint Peter's Catholic Church Concert begins at 7 PM. Dr. Robert Taylor, Director. Free Admission - Free-will Offering. Historic Saint Peter's Church is proud to host the award-winning College of Charleston Concert Choir, led by Dr. Robert Taylor. The program features choral masterworks by Chesnokov, Ralph Vaughan Williams, and Francis Poulenc, as well as two works by College of Charleston Composer-in-Residence David Maves. The Concert Choir has performed throughout the United States and Europe, has collaborated frequently with the Charleston Symphony Orchestra and the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra, and has been featured on statewide television and radio. Recently, the Concert Choir received the nation's top honor for a college choir: feature performances at the 2005 American Choral Directors Association National Convention.

November 9 Rothfuss Family Singers at Union United Methodist Church, Irmo. The Rothfuss Family Singers will be in concert at Union United Methodist Church, Irmo on Thursday, November 9, 7:30pm in the sanctuary as part of their concert series. The title of the concert is From Bizet to Broadway. The concert is free and open to the public.

November 21 Bill McNair in Concert at First Presbyterian in Raleigh at 7:30 pm.



Deadline for information to be included in *The Greater Columbia Organist* is the 20th of each month. Distribution normally occurs around the first of the month.

SUBSTITUTE ORGANISTS & CHOIR DIRECTORS

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

Sundays, Weddings & Funerals

Sally Cherrington Beggs (803-276-8919) (Newberry) – Substitution – Organ & Choir – Lutheran, Presbyterian, Episcopal
Linda Coyne (803-666-1039) (Sumter) – Substitution – Organ & Choir – Episcopal, Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian
John Haney (790-6067) – Substitution - Organ & choir - Episcopal, Presbyterian, Methodist
Karen Harmon (771-4258) – Substitution – Choir & piano
Heather Janney (665-6432) – Substitution – Organ & Choir, Funerals, Weddings
Mickey Johnson (803-789-3870) (Chester) – Substitution – Organ & Choir
Charlene Shealy Lanford (945-7574) – Substitution (ELCA) – Organ & Choir; Funerals & Weddings
Sandra Lindler (798-3027) – Substitution
Karen Shevenell (781-8193) – Funerals, Vocal Solos Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, United Methodist
Bob Stone (786-7195) Substitution – Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Weddings & Funerals
Robert Triplett (255-0072) – Substitution – Organ (&choir)
Frances Webb (755-1222) – Substitution – Organ only – Episcopal, Lutheran; Funerals, Weddings
Ed West (803-377-3746, 737-0487) – Substitution – Organ & Choir – Presbyterian, Methodist, Catholic; Weddings
Marilyn Wheeler (865-9456) – Substitution – Organ & Choir
Monica Yates (736-9521) – Substitution – Organ only- Episcopal

Funerals, Weddings & Solos (Not Sunday Morning)

Glenda Clifton (791-1140) – Funerals & Weddings
Mark Dickens (798-6192) – 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)
James Douglas Kent (843-462-7552) – Funerals, Weddings
Tina McGready (407-3387) –Funerals & Weddings – Organ, Vocal Solos
Richard McLeod (462-0940) Funerals & Weddings
William McNair (736-7340) Weddings & Funerals
Ann Miles (843-234-2480) (Conway) Vocal Solos for Weddings and Funerals
Elisa Moskovitz (256-2251) Funerals & Weddings
Christopher Nash (767-8073) Funerals & Weddings
Robert Neese (926-7306) – Funerals & Weddings
Ken Robbins (732-3031) - Funerals
Louis Shirer (553-2122) – Weddings & Funerals
Susan Sturkie (788-6807) - Funerals
Stephen Taylor (790-2592) – Weddings
Hubert Tucker (799-0207) – Funerals
Sharon Witherell (787-3719) – Weddings, Funerals, Vocal solos for Funerals & Weddings



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POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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

BISHOPVILLE

Bishopville Presbyterian Church, Organist, 150 members. 1919 Pilcher. Contact Leon E. Hunt at leon.hunt@caresouth-carolina.com

COLUMBIA

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 7239 Patterson Road, 29209, PO Box 9161, Columbia, 29290-9161, 803/776-3050. Parish musician; Weekly Eucharist at 10:45 Sunday and seasonal services. Blended style of worship using three hymnals, piano and organ. Organ is an 1861 E and G G Hook tracker, one manual. Knowledge of liturgical style of worship helpful. Please call Pastor Karen Hawkins at 803/776-3050 or send a resume to the mailing address above.

Crescent Hill Baptist Church, 2659 Two Notch Rd., 29204. Organist & Full time Music Director and Worship Leader with other responsibilities (2 people). Services Sun. a.m. & p.m. 1 Choir Practice. Contact Rev. Ron Bryan at 254-5549.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2200 Lee St. 29205 (Five Points) – Organist/Choir Director, 10:30 a.m. Sunday service, 1 rehearsal. Call 799-7224.

Saint Peter's Catholic Church, 1529 Assembly Street, Apprentice in Sacred Music
Historic Saint Peter's Catholic Church, established in 1821, seeks a talented and motivated student with a passion for musical excellence and the desire to learn organ, choral, and administrative skills in a multicultural, urban parish setting. The goal is to assist in the artistic and pastoral formation of young musicians for ministry in music. The successful candidate will support our music ministry via musical and administrative participation in the Gallery Choir, and assisting in an active concert series and learning solo organ repertoire, accompaniments, hymns, and improvisation in various styles. Honoraria is provided for substituting for weekend Masses, weddings, and funerals. III/36 Peragallo pipe in a magnificent acoustic, both a part of a critically acclaimed restoration in 2002. See choral rep listings and organ specs at <http://www.visitstpeters.org/music.htm>; Send letter of inquiry to Mark Husey at Liturgy@visitstpeters.org

CONWAY

St. James Catholic Church, 1071 Academy Drive, Conway, SC 29526. Director of Music and Liturgy. Proficient in keyboard and choral directing. The candidate should have a good command of Catholic liturgy and be enthusiastic about both traditional and current trends in liturgical music. Knowledge of Spanish language a plus. Call Father Rick or Joan Cato at (843) 347-5168.

HARTSVILLE

St. Luke United Methodist Church, Full-time Minister of Music. The successful candidate should be trained in leading the entire music program of the church, including adult and children's choirs. Please send resumes to: Search Committee, St. Luke UMC, 310 Dunlap Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550. 843-383-5169, Stlukehart@aol.com

ISLE OF PALMS

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Parish Musician. One Sunday service, plus Lent, Advent, Christmas, and Blessing of the Animals. Direction of choir, assistant with building music program. Please send letter and resume to Pr. Mefferd, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, PO Box 81, Isle of Palms, SC 29451. 843-886-8557 or 843-696-8612. stmarksiop@bellsouth.net

LEESVILLE

First Baptist Church, Minister of Music/Worship. Part-time. Send resume to: First Baptist Church Leesville, Box 3420, Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29070 or fax resume to: BJGWM@aol.com

LEXINGTON

Lexington United Methodist Church, Organist. Two Sunday morning services, Wed. practice, Advent, Lent. Traditional/Classical style. Contact Dr. Jerry Gatch, Choir Director, Day 359-0021, Night 951-9153 or jgatch@lexington1.net

St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 403 Park Road, Lexington 29072. Part-time Organist/Choirmaster with accomplished organ skills, experience conducting church choir, and a Bachelor's degree in music. Allen Organ. Average work week is 20 hours. One service. Wednesday evening and Sunday morning rehearsals. Contact the Rev. Howard Maltby: rector@stalbanschurch.net. Submit resumé with 3 references. Mail to St. Alban's Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 882, Lexington, SC 29071.

St. John Lutheran Church, 213 St. Johns Church Road, Lexington, 29072 Organist/Choir Director 10:30 a.m. Sunday service and weekly adult choir rehearsal. Allen organ. Salary negotiable. Leave message at church office (803-957-5402) or send resume to St John's Lutheran Church, Attn: Worship & Music Committee, (or Email: stjohnlex@aol.com).

LUGOFF

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

MOORE

Joy Lutheran Church seeks full-time worship accompanist and music director. Blend of traditional and contemporary music. Leads choir, handchimes, children's groups, and ensembles. Salary DOE. Paid vacation, pension, and medical benefits. Send cover letter and resume to: Search Committee, JLC; 3980 Moore-Duncan Hwy., Moore, SC 29369 (Fax: 864-486-1038)

SPARTANBURG

St. John Lutheran Church, Spartanburg has an opening for a part time contemporary worship leader with experience blending keyboard, guitar, bass, violin and flute.

The congregation is also looking for a part time director of youth & children's ministry, with a degree or experience.

These two positions may be combined into one full time position. Please send resume to St. John Lutheran Church, 415 S. Pine St., Spartanburg, SC 29302.

SUMTER

Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 211 Alice Dr., Sumter SC 29150, is seeking a part-time organist to serve as accompanist for choirs and instrumental music for all worship services and rehearsals as necessary. Send resume to church. For more information: aldersgate@ftc-i.net , 803-775-1602 or 803-775-9309.