

PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

SEPTEMBER, 2017

Hello friends!

I hope all of our AGO members have had a chance to get a little rest and refreshment this summer. I don't know what happened to those languid summer days of my youth, but they are a fleeting memory!

The program committee for this year (Woosug Kang, Darryl Miller, and Jackson Schoos) has helped plan an excellent series of meetings for our chapter, and there should be something for everyone. Highlights include a hymn festival with John Ferguson, a night with the choral composer Philip Stopford, an organ concert by the young artist Joshua Stafford, and a concert by the choir of the University of the South.

You will not want to miss our first program on Monday night, September 11 at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. Rev. Dr. Michael Williams and the Cathedral's choir and brass will lead us in a festival service for peace. Jackson Schoos, director of music, has carefully planned a service on this 9/11 anniversary. I welcome this chance at the beginning of another year to be encouraged in my own work as a church musician.

Jackson designed the beautiful poster attached to this newsletter — please print and encourage your own congregations and choirs to attend this evening of beautiful music in a beautiful space.

Nashville is fortunate to have so many wonderful opportunities to experience great music. Plan to support our local AGO with your presence this year!

Elizabeth Smith
Dean

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM — MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 — 7:30 PM

SACRED MUSIC CONVOCATION — A FESTIVAL SERVICE OF PEACE

Cathedral Choir, Organ, and Brass

Rev. Dr. Michael Williams, Speaker

Cathedral of the Incarnation • 2015 West End Avenue • Nashville, Tennessee 37203

DINNER — 6:30 PM — Dinner reservations, *due by September 6*, can be made online @ www.nashvilleago.org (click on “Dinner Reservations”) or by contacting Linda Winters at 615-456-2065 or @ AGOdinner@gmail.com.

Cost of dinner: \$18.

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Nashville Chapter

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speaker

The Cathedral Choir,
ORGAN & BRASS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2017
7:30 pm

CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION
2015 WEST END AVENUE, Nashville, 37203

EVERYONE WELCOME!

CHAPTER DINNER AT 6:30 pm,
DINNER RESERVATIONS AT www.nashvilleaco.org

MEMBER NEWS

Jerre M. Edwards, chapter friend, died suddenly on Saturday, August 12. A memorial service was held at West End UMC, Nashville, on Sunday, August 20.

Bill Gray is in Richland Place Rehab following recent back surgeries. He anticipates going home soon. You may contact him via text message at 615-516-1212.

Wilma Jensen played a recital at Riverside Church, New York City, on Tuesday, July 18. She will also play a 30-minute recital at St. George's, Nashville, on Sunday, September 10 at 4:30 PM, prior to Choral Evensong at 5:00 PM.

Douglas Murray put in a super performance at the National Competition in Organ Improvisation in Montreal this July. He is one of three finalists who will perform at the national convention of the AGO in Kansas City next summer.

We fondly remember **Charles Wesley Witherspoon, Jr.**, who passed away on August 9 at the age of 90. A longtime Nashville AGO member, he served as Organist of Brentwood UMC for over 40 years. In addition to his position at the church, Charles taught at Franklin High School for two years then moved to Davidson County Schools, where he taught until retiring in the early 1980s. He did volunteer work at the church for many years after retirement, and he was named Organist Emeritus in 1987. A memorial service for Charles was held at Brentwood UMC on August 15.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

K. Michelle Anderson
206 Marbeth Lane
Tullahoma, TN 37388
Home: 931-273-4844

Richard L. Gray, III
444 Elmington Avenue #410
Nashville, TN 37205
Cell: 843-476-9694
Transfer from Dallas AGO
Organ Scholar, St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville

FROM MEMBERSHIP CHAIR JANET SCHMIDT

How quickly summer has passed, and here we are ready to begin our 2017-18 program year on Monday, September 11th with our opening service at the Cathedral of the Incarnation, 2015 West End Avenue, Nashville. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Many of you regularly send me contact info for prospective members, and I encourage everyone to do that. We especially need to focus on young organists and choral directors who would benefit from our programs and enjoy being part of our wonderful Nashville Chapter.

To join Nashville AGO, renew your membership, or update your information: www.agohq.org/oncard

To update your information for our online Chapter Directory: www.nashvilleago.org

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Nashville AGO Membership Chair
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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Our Chapter Membership Directory is available on our chapter website and is updated on a regular basis. Simply go to the website: <http://www.nashvilleago.org/>. Click on the "Members Section" tab, and you will be prompted to enter a Username and Password. The Members Section includes two versions of the Membership Directory, which you may view, save to your desktop, tablet, or smart phone, or print. The Members Section also includes the Photo Album from our last edition of the printed Yearbook.

If you have not received the username and password, or for issues concerning the website or Members Section access, please contact Pat Parris: peparris@parrisgraphics.com.

For questions concerning the Membership or Photo Directories, or to request a printout of the Directory or other Chapter documents, please contact Jonathan Setzer: jonathancsetzer@gmail.com.

Jonathan Setzer, Membership Directory Editor

The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to foster a thriving community of musicians who share their knowledge and inspire passion for the organ.

**2017–2018
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2018–2019

Dakota Hill, Allison Boccia Williams, Eric Wyse

2019–2020

Melissa Emerson, Woosug Kang, Anthony Williams

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Matthew Phelps, Chair

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Pipelines Staff: Nick Bergin, Charlotte Hughes,
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Website: Evans Baird, Patrick Parris, Gary Scott

**2017–2018
NASHVILLE CHAPTER PROGRAMS**

September 11, 2017 (Monday)

Opening Service with Michael Williams, Speaker

Cathedral of the Incarnation

2015 West Avenue, Nashville, TN 37203

October 9, 2017 (Monday)

Choral Reading Session

Philip Stopford, Composer

Belmont United Methodist Church

2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville, TN 37212

November 13, 2017 (Monday)

**Hymn Festival for 500th Anniversary
of the Reformation**

John Ferguson, Leader

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

908 Murfreesboro Road, Franklin, TN 37064

January 13, 2018 (Saturday)

January Jubilee

David Cherwien, Clinician

St. George's Episcopal Church

4715 Harding Pike, Nashville, TN 37205

February 5, 2018 (Monday)

Back to the Future: Honoring Our Senior Members

Covenant Presbyterian Church

33 Burton Hills Blvd., Nashville, TN 37215

March 5, 2018 (Monday)

Sewanee Choir in Concert

Belle Meade United Methodist Church

121 Davidson Road, Nashville, TN 37205

April 9, 2018 (Monday)

Joshua Stafford, Organist

Westminster Presbyterian Church

3900 West End Avenue, Nashville, TN 37205

May 7, 2018 (Monday)

Banquet with Fred Swann, Speaker

Cathedral of the Incarnation

2015 West Avenue, Nashville, TN 37203

JOB OPENINGS

Central Christian Church, Murfreesboro has an opening for a part-time choir director/minister of music for one weekly Sunday service. Qualifications include familiarity with a broad range of church music and adequate keyboard skills as needed. Church currently has a student organist/accompanist, but would entertain the possibility of combining this position as organist/choirmaster. Please contact Pastor Steve Odom at steven.odom@gmail.com.

East End United Methodist Church, Nashville is searching for an organist for its 9:00 and 10:30 AM services beginning in September. Children's Choir and the Sanctuary Choir hold rehearsals on Sunday evenings at 5:00 and 6:00 PM respectively. Please contact Joe Lee, Director of Music Ministries at joseph.a.lee@hotmail.com.

First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, KY has an opening for an organist for one Sunday service (with rehearsal prior to the service), Wednesday night rehearsals and special programs. 3-manual, 57-rank Casavant organ. Qualifications include professing belief in Jesus Christ, education and experience with the pipe organ, excellent playing and sight-reading skills, and knowledge of appropriate repertoire. Please contact Ricky Clark, Minister of Music, at 270-842-0331, or e-mail rclark@firstbaptistbg.org.

First United Methodist Church, McMinnville, TN, has an opening for an organist for one Sunday

service (10:30 AM) and Wednesday night rehearsal each week, as well as any special services during the church year. Salary is negotiable. Contact Donna Campbell, Director of Music, at 931-808-8415 or Senior Pastor Tommy Vann at 931-473-4419 (church) or 931-626-9388 (cell).

Rivermont Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), Chattanooga, TN is accepting applications/resumes for the part-time position of organist—responsibilities include playing organ, accompanying the choir, and accompanying occasional soloists for the 11:00 AM Sunday service and Wednesday evening choir rehearsal. Special services will also be included. Send resumes and inquiries to rpcorganist@gmail.com or mail to the church C/O Beth Russell. Mailing address is 3319 Hixson Pike, Chattanooga, TN 37415.

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Franklin, TN is searching for a part-time director of music. For a complete job description, please e-mail Dr. Jody Smith, Chair of the Worship and Music Search Committee, at smithdrjk@gmail.com.

St. Ignatius Catholic Community, Bell Road, Antioch is looking for a pianist for the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM masses on Sundays. For more information, please contact Renee Thompson at 615-218-6628 or rthompson@stedward.org.

PIPELINES CONTACTS

The deadline for *Pipelines* is the 15th of each month.

Submit articles (and questions/concerns) to: Nick Bergin nicholasbergin@ymail.com

If you have information for . . .

Arts Calendar, contact Sharron Lyon sharronlyon@comcast.net

Placement, contact Charlotte Hughes chughes@pesenergize.com

Member News, contact Janet Schmidt janetschmidt@gmail.com

2017-2018 ARTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER, 2017

9/3/2017, 12:20 PM

Nick Bergin, Organist

Music of J.S. Bach and Louis Vierne

First Presbyterian Church

4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

9/10/2017, 4:30 PM

Organ Concert by Wilma Jensen

Director of Music Emerita

Choral Evensong, 5:00 PM

Noble's Evening Canticles and Stainer's

"I Saw the Lord"

St. George's Choir and Senior Choristers

Woosug Kang, Conductor

Gerry Senechal, Organist

Richard Gray, Organ Scholar

St. George's Episcopal Church

4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

9/24/2017, 6:00 PM

Dueling Organists

Woosug Kang and Gerry Senechal, Organists

Music by Vierne, Dupré, Merkel, and more

Suggested donation of \$20 benefitting

UK Residency for Choristers

St. George's Episcopal Church

4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

OCTOBER, 2017

10/1/2017, 4:00 PM

Vocal Arts Nashville

(new professional vocal ensemble)

The Complete Bach Motets, Volume 1

Motets 3, 5, and 6, and American choral favorites

Matthew Phelps, Conductor

First Presbyterian Church

4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

10/1/2017, 4:00 PM

A Little Oktoberfest

Gerst Haus Band

Grace Lutheran Church

2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

10/8/2017, 4:30 PM

Organ Concert by Austin Clark

Assistant Organist, Holy Innocents' Church

Atlanta, Georgia

Choral Evensong, 5:00 PM

Howells' *Collegium Regale* Canticles

and Bairstow's "Blessed City"

St. George's Choristers, Lay Clerks, and Treble Choir

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Decatur, Georgia

Woosug Kang, Conductor

Gerry Senechal, Organist

Richard Gray, Organ Scholar

Shannon Gallier, Director of Music

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Decatur, Georgia

St. George's Episcopal Church

4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

10/27/2017, 7:00 PM

Organized Rhythm

Clive Driskill-Smith, Organist

Joseph Gramley, Percussionist

\$15; \$5 student

Christ Church Cathedral

900 Broadway, Nashville

10/28/2017, 9:30–11:30 AM

Organized Rhythm Hands-on Event for Children/Teens

Free and open to the public

Christ Church Cathedral

900 Broadway, Nashville

10/29/2017, 8:30 and 11:00 AM

A Celtic Celebration of the Reformation

Laudate Youth and Westminster Choirs

John Semingson, Conductor

Sam Levine's Celtic Band

Westminster Presbyterian Church

3900 West End Avenue, Nashville

10/31/2017, 7:30 PM

Nosferatu, Silent Film

Peter Krasinski, Organist

Laura Turner Concert Hall

Schermerhorn Symphony Center

1 Symphony Place, Nashville

NOVEMBER, 2017

11/5/2017, 3:30 PM

Organ Concert

All Saints Solemn Choral Evensong, 4:00 PM

Cathedral Choir and Senior Choristers

Michael Velting, Canon for Music, Conductor

Michael Gebhart, Assistant Organist and

Choirmaster, Organist

11/5/2017, 4:00 PM

Patriotic Concert to Honor Veterans

Rocky Craft, Conductor

Grace Lutheran Church

2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

11/5/2017, 6:00 PM
Requiem: Music for Our Loved Ones
Howells' *Requiem* and choral works by Tavener
St. George's Choir
Woosug Kang, Conductor
Gerry Senechal, Organist
Richard Gray, Organ Scholar
Free will offering
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

11/5/2017, 7:00 PM
Choral Evensong for All Saints
Music by Chilcott, Stopford,
Mendelssohn, and Craig Phillips
John Semingson, Conductor
Westminster Choir
Westminster Presbyterian Church
3900 West End Avenue, Nashville

11/30/2017, 7:30 PM
Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols*
MTSU Women's Chorale
Angela Tipps, Conductor
MTSU Wright Music Building
1439 Faulkinberry Drive, Murfreesboro

DECEMBER, 2017

12/2/2017, 7:00 PM
Christmas Concert
Nashville Chamber Singers
Angela Tipps, Conductor
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

12/3/2017, 4:00 PM
Music City Strings
Christmas Favorites
Rocky Craft, Conductor
Grace Lutheran Church
2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

12/3/2017, 5:00 PM
Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*, Part 1
Chancel Choir and Orchestra
Matthew Phelps, Conductor
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

12/3/2017, 6:00 PM
Lessons and Carols
Music by Lauridsen, Kennerly, and more
St. George's Choir, Choristers,
and St. Dunstan's Choir
Woosug Kang, Conductor
Gerry Senechal, Organist

Richard Gray, Organ Scholar
Free-will offering
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

12/4/2017 and 12/5/2017, 7:30 PM
Christmas at the Cathedral
Jackson Schoos, Conductor
The Cathedral Choir, three local Catholic
High School Choirs, and Orchestra
Cathedral of the Incarnation
2015 West End Avenue, Nashville

12/5/2017, 7:30 PM
Christmas Concert
Nashville Chamber Singers
Angela Tipps, Conductor
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
315 East Main Street, Murfreesboro

12/10/2017, 4:00 PM
Christmas Concert: Glory to God in the Highest
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra
Raphael Bundage, Director
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

12/10/2017, 6:00 PM
Feast of Lights and Carol Service
Christmas Lessons and Carols
Gayle Sullivan, Conductor
Combined Choirs, Handbells, and Orchestra
Belmont United Methodist Church
2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville

12/17/2017, 8:30 and 11:00 AM
Choral Celebration for the
Third Sunday of Advent
Vivaldi's *Gloria in D*
John Semingson, Conductor
Westminster Choir and Orchestra
Westminster Presbyterian Church
3900 West End Avenue, Nashville

12/17/2017, 4:00 PM
Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols
Cathedral Choir and Senior Choristers
Michael Velting, Canon for Music, Conductor
Michael Gebhart, Assistant Organist and
Choirmaster, Organist
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

12/17/2017, 4:00 PM
Lessons and Carols
Angela Tipps, Conductor
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
315 East Main Street, Murfreesboro

JANUARY, 2018

1/7/2018, 4:00 PM
Epiphany Concert
Choir and Orchestra
Rocky Craft, Conductor
Grace Lutheran Church
2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

1/28/2018, 4:00 PM
Mozart's *Great Mass in C minor*
Nashville Symphony and FPC Sanctuary Choir
Raphael Bundage, Director
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

FEBRUARY, 2018

2/2/2018, 7:00 PM
CANTUS, Men's Vocal Ensemble
Free-will offering
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

2/11/2018, 4:00 PM
Eastern European Dance Troop
Instruments and Dancers
Grace Lutheran Church
2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

2/11/2018, 4:30 PM
Organ Concert by Andrew Risinger
Organist and Organ Curator, Nashville Symphony
Associate Minister of Music and Organist
West End United Methodist Church
Choral Evensong, 5:00 PM
Stanford's Evening Canticles and Lauridsen's
"O Nata Lux"
St. George's Choir and Senior Choristers
Woosug Kang, Conductor
Gerry Senechal, Organist
Richard Gray, Organ Scholar
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

2/18/2018, 3:30 PM
Organ Concert by Matthew Michael Brown
Director of Music and Organist
First United Methodist Church
Salisbury, North Carolina
Lenten Solemn Choral Evensong, 4:00 PM
Cathedral Choir and Senior Choristers
Michael Velting, Canon for Music, Conductor
Michael Gebhart, Assistant Organist and
Choirmaster, Organist
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

2/25/2018, 12:20 PM
Handbell and Children's Choirs
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

2/25/2018, 3:00 PM
Young Musicians' Corner
Students of Blair School of Music
Vanderbilt University
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville
Free-will offering

2/25/2018, 4:00 PM
19th Annual Cathedral Chorister Festival Evensong
Michael Kleinschmidt, Guest Director
Canon Musician, St. Mark's Cathedral
Seattle, Washington
Festival Choristers from the Southeast
Michael Velting, Canon for Music
Michael Gebhart, Assistant Organist and
Choirmaster, Organist
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

MARCH, 2018

3/4/2018, 4:30 PM
Organ Concert by Richard Gray
Organ Scholar, St. George's Episcopal Church
Choral Evensong, 5:00 PM
Senechal's Evening Canticles and Britten's
"A Hymn of St. Columba"
St. George's Choir and Senior Choristers
Woosug Kang, Conductor
Gerry Senechal, Organist
Richard Gray, Organ Scholar
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

3/4/2018, 4:30 PM
Vocal Arts Nashville
The Complete Bach Motets, Volume 2
Motets 1, 2, and 4, and Brahms' *Liebeslieder Waltzes*
Matthew Phelps, Conductor
Marilyn Shields-Wiltsie, Pianist
4th Story Theater
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

3/16/2018, 4:00-10:00 PM
12th Annual Bachanalia
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

3/18/2018, 12:20 PM
Nate Strasser, Jazz Pianist
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

3/18/2018, 4:00 PM
Schubert and Friends
Lenten Choir and Orchestra
Rocky Craft, Conductor
Grace Lutheran Church
2041 Madison Street, Clarksville

3/25/2018, 4:30 PM
Beethoven's *Mass in C*
Chancel Choir, Lipscomb University Choirs, and
Orchestra
Earl Rivers, Guest Conductor
West End United Methodist Church
2200 West End Avenue, Nashville

3/30/2018, 7:00 PM
Tenebrae: a Service of Darkness
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

APRIL, 2018

4/15/2018, 12:20 PM
American Folk Hymns: Spirituals,
Southern Gospel, and More
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

4/15/2018, 3:00 PM
Bach's *St. Matthew Passion*
Vanderbilt Symphonic Choir, Chorale,
and Orchestra
Tucker Biddlecombe, Conductor
Tyler Nelson, The Evangelist
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

4/22/2018, 4:00 PM
Raúl Prieto Ramírez, Organist
Sponsored by Al Finegan
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

4/22/2018, 4:00 PM
Spring Concert
Nashville Chamber Singers
Angela Tipps, Conductor
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
315 East Main Street, Murfreesboro

4/29/2018, 4:00 PM
Sanctuary Choir Spring Concert
Gayle Sullivan, Conductor
Belmont United Methodist Church
2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville

4/29/2018, 4:00 PM
Spring Concert
Nashville Chamber Singers
Angela Tipps, Conductor
First Presbyterian Church
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

MAY, 2018

5/6/2018, 2:30 PM
Psalmody and Friends: Psalms, Hymns,
and Spiritual Songs
Carol McClure, Director
First Presbyterian Church (Chapel)
4815 Franklin Pike, Nashville

5/6/2018, 3:30 PM
Organ Concert by Nick Quardokus
Organ Scholar, Trinity Episcopal
Church on the Green, New Haven, Connecticut
Eastertide Solemn Choral Evensong, 4:00 PM
Cathedral Choir and Senior Choristers
Michael Velting, Canon for Music, Conductor
Michael Gebhart, Assistant Organist and
Choirmaster, Organist
Christ Church Cathedral
900 Broadway, Nashville

5/20/2018, 3:00 PM
Organ and Brass Recital
Douglas Cleveland, Organist and NSO Brass
Laura Turner Concert Hall
Schermerhorn Symphony Center
1 Symphony Place, Nashville

5/20/2018, 3:00 PM
Splendeur de la messe française:
Vierne's *Messe Solennelle* for double organ and choirs
Choirs of St. George's and West End
United Methodist Church
Free-will offering
St. George's Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Pike, Nashville

JUNE, 2018

6/10/2018, 5:00 PM
Open Door Singers (Youth) Homecoming Concert
Belmont United Methodist Church
2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville