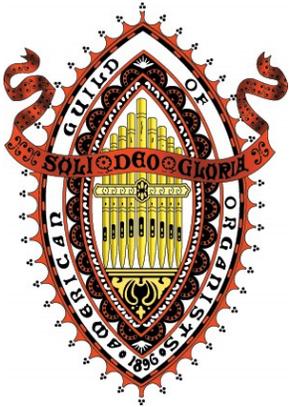


PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

MAY 2020



FROM THE DEAN

Friends, I just finished Zooming with our chapter Executive Committee. It was a first for me, but thanks to Melissa Emerson, we were able to consider some options for our chapter's immediate and long-range planning.

Upcoming May Meeting

We decided that our May 4 dinner and program at St. Andrew Lutheran should be postponed until September 14. Eric Wyse agreed to reschedule/postpone the hymn festival that the new program committee had already planned. If the coronavirus is still prevalent in September and it is inadvisable for us to meet as a group, we will video/YouTube or otherwise do something digital.

Officers' Retreat

We will wait to determine if the incoming and outgoing Executive Committee members can still meet on June 6 at FPC Nashville, depending on the church's availability and social distancing requirements.

I posted a photo of my Lenten rosebush to Facebook. It always blooms in March during Lent. Its leaves are thorny but produce a lovely light shade of purple. The blooms take on a sad look as they droop down to the ground. A good friend of mine gave me the first planting years ago and said, "Plant them anywhere—they will not die."

And that's my Lenten/Easter story too. We are all called upon to work under different circumstances that are not what we have been trained to do. But with help and support from one another, we will continue to thrive and live. I hope we can all take on the mantra, **Together we will make it.**

Grace, peace, and love be also with you,
Marsha Scheusner

~~MONDAY, MAY 4 2020~~
POSTPONED TO SEPTEMBER

ARTS CALENDAR

Please check the chapter website for an up-to-date Arts Calendar.

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HEALTH UPDATES

Michael Pack

From Michael Pack's niece via Facebook private message: On February 7th, Michael had a brain hemorrhage. He has been in critical care and rehab before moving to Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehab, where he is now. He will be moved soon to a skilled nursing facility where he will continue to recover before returning home. His niece who lives in Texas has been here off and on helping him in his moves to rehab. She will be his caregiver when he is able to go home. At this time, there are no visitors, phone calls, or texts, but he enjoys receiving cards. His address:

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Sharron Lyon

In mid-February I began a journey of scans and tests to find out about discomfort in my right side above the waist line. The diagnosis is uterine cancer attached to the liver. In 2011 I was diagnosed with uterine cancer and had robotic hysterectomy surgery. No treatment was necessary, but now treatment is needed with chemo. When I first received the cancer diagnosis from the gyno doc, he thought I would need surgery, but chemo treatments should take care of it. In one of the scans, it was discovered I have two tumors in the ear and neck area, which were thought to be cancer. In an appointment on March 30 with my ENT oncologist, I received the good news that the tumors are benign and can be treated with radiation with excellent outcomes. I've had other scans to make sure there are no more of these tumors in the body. I have been blessed with wonderful medical professionals and have learned a lot. My greatest blessings are the love and prayers of my family, my church family, and my friends. God has already answered prayers. Thank you to my AGO family for your love and prayers. Soli Deo gloria.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Faith Lutheran Church, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, would like to find several dependable organists who would be willing to substitute on an occasional basis. They will soon be hiring a full-time organist; more details are forthcoming. This is a Missouri Synod Lutheran church with liturgical services. Please contact Vicar Neely Owen at vicarfaithlutheran@yahoo.com or 540-520-2231.

First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, is searching for a choir director. The position requires a Wednesday rehearsal and Sunday worship service at 11:00 a.m. (one choir, one rehearsal, one service). The 1916 organ underwent a significant process of tonal renovation by the Parkey Organ Co in 2018. There is a seven-foot Kawai grand to lead worship with a choir of twelve singers. Contact person is Ross Thomas at 615-772-4870.

First United Methodist Church, Pulaski, is seeking a director of music ministry. This position could be filled by one full-time person or two part-time people. Responsibilities for the position(s) include the following: overseeing the music ministry, directing all choirs (adults, children, handbells, and chimes), congregational hymn singing, playing the piano and organ, and working with the pastor to plan worship services and other special events. Skill level as well as experience, education, additional training, people skills, and overall organization will be given strong consideration for this position. Please submit resumes to info@fumcpulaski.com or call 931-363-2595 for further information.

Trinity United Methodist Church, Franklin, is searching for an accompanist who is competent on organ and piano to provide service music and accompany the Chancel Choir for 11:00 worship and Wednesday evening rehearsals. For more information, contact Mr. Lynn McGill, director of music, at lynn.mcgill@comcast.net or 615-804-1878.

CLASSIFIEDS

We just bought a home that was previously owned by a pastor and his organist wife. They are 87 and had to go to assisted living. She had to leave her Wurlitzer organ. I don't know how old it is. It seems to work fine, but I don't know anything about organs. It is missing one black key, and one white key has a homemade repair. It has its owners' kit.

We would like to donate it to a church, a school, or individual in need of an organ with a synthesizer function. Does your organization know of anyone?

Thank you for your help.

Best Regards,
Kim and Jeff Krafft

Note: If you are interested in acquiring this instrument, please email secretary@nashvilleago.org for contact information for Kim and Jeff Krafft.

