

PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

APRIL 2021



DEAN'S CORNER

We are currently producing a three-part video presentation of three home organs owned by chapter members **Rocky Craft**, **Michael Belote**, and **James Jordan**, hosted by **Todd Milnar**. The taping will be finished by April 23, with a streaming date of Monday, May 3, at 7:00 p.m. This presentation will include details about each instrument, with performances by the owners. There will be printed information you can

view or download about each instrument and the pieces performed as well.

We will conclude this program year, if the conditions of the pandemic allow, on Monday, May 24, with a combination live/virtual presentation by organist Robin Dinda, playing transcriptions of popular music as well as original chorale preludes. The Executive Committee will assess the precautions needed in light of the pandemic with regard to location, safety protocols, and the possibility of a meal together. We will make the determination in early May, so you will have time to make plans prior to May 26. For more information about Robin Dinda, you may consult <http://robindinda.com/biography>.



Wishing you all health and joy in this season of spring, resurrection, and new life.

Eric

OFFICER ELECTIONS

The Nominating Committee is still seeking at least one additional nominee for the positions of dean and treasurer. If you're interested in serving or would like to nominate someone, please contact **Tony Williams**, committee chair, at awilli6034@aol.com. Once we have a full slate of nominees, a ballot will be sent to the chapter via email.

2021–22 PROGRAM YEAR

Due to the uncertainty of the COVID-related protocols, we are opening the season to reconnect our members while keeping safety in mind. We want to reconnect our members through fun social gatherings, but as the season goes on, it is designed to be closer to “normal.” What greater way to end the season than with a big hymn festival, when we should be safe to sing together! We are working through fine details, but the programs below are what we’ve planned thus far. Dates and venues are undecided due to COVID, and we are planning things as we can moving forward. We hope this season will be a springboard to getting back to the wonderful, social, and warm chapter that we are!

Woosug Kang

September or October
Sunday Afternoon Picnic

October or November
Organ Recital Featuring Matthew Owens
Covenant Presbyterian Church

January
Newest Family in Our Community
St. George’s Episcopal Church
John Paul Buzard, president of John Paul Buzard Pipe Organ company, Scott Riedel, a renowned acoustician and a consultant, and the music staff of St. George’s will share the vision of—and excitement surrounding—the Buzard organ, Opus 48, that will be installed in late spring 2022.

February
February Flourish

April or May
Hymn Festival Featuring Organist Patrick Scott

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## **HELP WITH TORNADO DAMAGE**

As you know, Nashville and the surrounding area were hit with damaging tornadoes a year ago this past March. As there were reports of damage to some churches, the Charlotte AGO Chapter graciously sent our chapter some money to help members who had damage to their organs. If your church’s organ suffered damage from the tornado, you are invited to request a grant to help defray some of the expenses. Recommendations for grants will be made to the Executive Committee for approval.

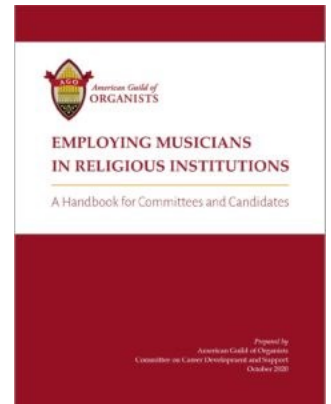
To make a request, please send a brief statement concerning the damage along with any estimates of work needed or invoices of work completed to Don Marler. You may do so by email ([donmarler@gmail.com](mailto:donmarler@gmail.com)) or via USPS (3810 Tulane Court, Nashville, TN 37215). All requests must be received or postmarked by May 15, 2021. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Don by email or at 615-269-0853.

## **KARL ISAAC JOHNSON RECITAL**

A Lenten organ recital by Karl Isaac Johnson at First UMC in Murfreesboro may be viewed online at <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqScCINZ1GJOErLb9WwrBb4uGkvdR9eyI>. Featured on the program are works by Messiaen, Tournemire, and Alain.

## EMPLOYING MUSICIANS IN RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

The AGO has released a new resource for career development, a handbook entitled *Employing Musicians in Religious Institutions*. Based on the assumption that “leaders in religious institutions want to recruit, employ, and support qualified persons to provide strong leadership in sacred music,” the guide seeks “to assist those who participate in the search and employment process . . . [providing] perspective for clergy and laypersons responsible for the process that will bring effective and talented musicians to religious institutions and their diverse memberships.” The booklet is freely available on the AGO website (<https://www.agohq.org/employing-musicians-handbook/>).



## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

**Central Presbyterian Church, Princeton, Kentucky**, is searching for an organist or pianist/accompanist to provide music for all worship services and special services throughout the church year, as well as weddings, funerals, etc. Qualified candidates should have advanced keyboard skills in organ and piano and experience in hymn leading and service playing. Available instruments are a 2017 Rodgers Organ, a five-foot Yamaha grand piano, and three octaves of Schulmerich handbells. Please send resumes and inquiries to [melissa@beshearfuneralhome.com](mailto:melissa@beshearfuneralhome.com) or call 270-799-4119.

**Faith Lutheran Church, Hopkinsville, Kentucky**, is searching for an organist (or a keyboard person who would be willing to learn the organ). This is a Missouri Synod Lutheran church with liturgical services. For additional information, please contact Pastor Neely Owen at [pastorfaithlutheran@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorfaithlutheran@yahoo.com) or 540-520-2231.

**Fort Campbell** has several open positions at present. They are seeking musicians for the Protestant Liturgical Service, the Protestant Traditional Service, the Protestant Gospel Service, the Catholic Service, and a service in the Hospital Chapel, all of which take place on Sundays. For more information, or to apply, please contact Michael Aldeguer with Sawyer Contracting at [info@sawyerglobal.com](mailto:info@sawyerglobal.com) or 407-602-7780.

## ARTS CALENDAR

*Events marked † are livestream-only.*

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5/16/2021, 3:30 p.m.†

Organ Concert and Choral Evensong in Eastertide

Dale Nickell, Recitalist

Malcolm Matthews, Associate Organist and Choirmaster; Michael Velting, Canon for Music

Christ Church Cathedral

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyNOIUxzeIqCLd-U-AMtfrDiJeuA62nj>

5/23/2021, 4:00 p.m.†

Virtual Evensong for Pentecost

West End United Methodist Church

<https://livestream.com/westendumc>

If you have an event to add to the Nashville AGO Arts Calendar, you can now submit it via the following Google form: <https://forms.gle/FnnNZWsxxp8FaTKg6>