

PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

SEPTEMBER 2020



DEAN'S CORNER

We begin our program year on Monday, September 14, at 7:00 p.m. with a virtual meeting featuring the Installation of Officers and Evening Prayer at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Franklin (available at www.saintandrewchurch.tv). The Reverend Don Saliers, national AGO chaplain, will give the homily. Organists performing are **Dr. Darryl Miller** and **Peter Rogahn**.

Our October meeting will be a virtual presentation by **Dr. Matthew Phelps** (minister of music, West End United Methodist Church, and artistic director, Vocal Arts Nashville) and **Dr. Tucker Biddlecombe** (associate professor of choral studies, Blair School of Music, and director, Nashville Symphony Chorus) on how to produce a virtual choir video. The program will also include a Q and A session for chapter members. Information on the livestream time, date, and link is forthcoming.

The Charlotte (NC) Chapter of the AGO has graciously donated \$1,000 to the Nashville Tornado Relief Fund, for use by organizations that have sustained organ damage. The chapter took a freewill offering during virtual concerts in their summer series, and their board supplemented this with money from a scholarship fund. We are most grateful for their kindness to us.

During this time of uncertainty, may you stay safe, healthy, and engaged in the making of music in new and meaningful ways!

Eric Wyse
Dean

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM (LIVESTREAM ONLY)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 - 7:00 PM

SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER WITH INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Rev. Don Saliers, Homilist
St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Franklin
www.saintandrewchurch.tv



Our AGO chapter had to cancel and/or postpone our spring programs, so we are beginning the 2020–21 program year where we left off. The service originally scheduled for May 4 at St. Andrew Lutheran has been revised for our September 14 program. We will meet virtually for a service of Evening Prayer, with a homily by Rev. Dr. Don Saliers, national AGO chaplain. Our chapter officers will be installed by our chaplain, **Gloria Scott**, prior to Evening Prayer.

Dr. Don E. Saliers returned to the Candler School of Theology in 2014 as theologian-in-residence after retiring in 2007 as the William R. Cannon Distinguished Professor of Theology and Worship. For many years he directed the Master of Sacred Music program at Emory, and he was an organist and choirmaster at Cannon Chapel for 35 years. Before joining the Candler faculty in 1974, Saliers taught at Yale Divinity School, and has taught in summer programs at Notre Dame, Boston College, Vancouver School of Theology, St. John's University, and Boston University School of Theology.

An accomplished musician, theologian, and scholar of liturgics, Saliers is the author of 15 books on the relationship between theology and worship practices, as well as more than 150 articles, essays, chapters in books, and book reviews. He coauthored *A Song to Sing, a Life to Live* with his daughter Emily Saliers, a member of the Indigo Girls.

St. Andrew pastors Rev. Dr. H. Julian Gordy and Rev. Katherine Museus DeBay will lead the liturgy along with Nashville AGO members **Dr. Darryl Miller**, **Peter Rogahn**, and **Ai Yamada**.

Click on <http://www.saintandrewchurch.tv/> to watch and participate in the Evening Prayer service; click [here](#) to access the order of service.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY ACCESS

An updated version of the Nashville AGO Membership Directory is available on the website. To access it, visit the members' area of NashvilleAGO.org, which can be accessed via the Membership tab on the main page of the website.

PIPEDREAMS: WOMEN WORKING

The August 17 episode of *Pipedreams*, "Women Working," highlighted the work of women organists and composers. This program and other recent episodes can be streamed for free at Pipedreams.org.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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 or 540-520-2231.

First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, is searching for a choir director. The position requires a Wednesday rehearsal and a 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 Company 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.