

PIPELINES

NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

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DEAN'S CORNER

My thanks to chapter member **Matt Phelps** and Tucker Biddlecombe for our online presentation, broadcast on October 5 via Zoom, which gave a great overview of how to record a virtual choir. We had good participation from several chapter members; if you missed the presentation, you can view it here (you will need to sign in using a Google account):

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WbmflaBcLsSXlhcbKfJIfc9kGviRZj8i/view?usp=sharing>

There is no program scheduled for November or December. The Executive Committee will be meeting virtually in early November, and we will make a decision about the rest of the program year going forward. I would welcome any suggestions for ways we can stay connected as a chapter during this time when we cannot meet together in person.

My appreciation to **Elizabeth Smith** and **Jonathan Setzer** (Lois Fyfe Music) for providing our chapter a list of resources suitable for worship during this time when choral and congregational singing are not options for many of us. These include music for organ and string instruments, as well as vocal solos. They are included elsewhere in the newsletter.

As we cannot meet in person, here are some links for recitals and resources available to us from other chapters and from AGO Headquarters:

National AGO YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/guildoforganists/playlists>

Lars Gjerde in Recital (Sacramento Valley AGO, All Saints Episcopal Church, Sacramento):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRPt1AXJWgA&feature=youtu.be>

Charlotte AGO Member Recital:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6wWg5n-CmEk>

Michael Hey from St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, Presented by Los Angeles AGO:

<https://www.facebook.com/LosAngelesAGO/videos/2753783531614951>

Wishing you a spooky Halloween, a joyful Thanksgiving, and all good health.

Eric Wyse,
Dean

FEBRUARY FLOURISH UPDATE

Those in charge of planning the February Flourish regret that the event has been canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic. It is hoped that it will be possible to hold the event sometime in the future.

NEW MUSIC FOR VOCALISTS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS

Curated by Elizabeth Smith and Jonathan Setzer; all available from Lois Fyfe Music
(website: <https://loisfyfemusic.com>; email: sales@loisfyfemusic.com; phone: 615-386-3542).

PIANO

The John Rutter Piano Album

Eight of his best-loved choral pieces, arranged by the composer for piano solo.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/the-john-rutter-piano-album-9780193544628?q=rutter%20piano%20christmas&lang=en&cc=us>

The John Rutter Christmas Piano Album

Eight Christmas anthems arranged for piano.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/the-john-rutter-christmas-piano-album-9780193547483?q=rutter%20piano%20christmas&lang=en&cc=us>

VOCAL SOLOS

... still all my song shall be: a collection of heartsongs (Tom Trenney)

Eleven solos arranged for high or medium voice and piano.

<https://www.morningstarmusic.com/still-all-my-song-shall-be-tom-trenney-vocal.html>

Sing Praise: Sacred Vocal Solos

A new collection from MorningStar with compositions by Burkhardt, Fedak, Highben, Hobby, Marrolli, and Uppercue.

<https://www.morningstarmusic.com/catalog/product/view/id/74923/s/sing-praise-vocal-collection/category/3728/>

ORGAN AND ANOTHER INSTRUMENT

Three American Folk Hymn Settings (John Weaver)

Includes rewarding and useful settings of WONDROUS LOVE, LAND OF REST, and FOUNDATION; featured at AGO OrganFest 2020.

<https://www.selahpub.com/OrganKeyboard/OrganTitles/160-958-ThreeAmericanFolkHymn.html>

ORGAN SOLO

Oxford Hymn Settings for Organists: Holy Communion

The latest in this series of newly composed music by British and American composers, including our own Craig Phillips.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/oxford-hymn-settings-for-organists-holy-communion-9780193400665?q=holy%20communion&lang=en&cc=us>

A Wedding Music Anthology: Fiftieth Anniversary Edition (David N. Johnson)

A compilation in one spiral-bound volume of all five of David N. Johnson's wedding books. Some pieces are for manuals only, and many have an optional solo instrumental part for C or B-flat instrument. Useful for lots of occasions besides weddings!

<https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/product/9781506465982/A-Wedding-Music-Anthology-Fiftieth-Anniversary-Edition>

MEMBER NEWS

Here's an update from **Sharron Lyon**:

On September 1st I had the last of six chemo treatments for cancer attached to the abdominal wall. A month later I had a CT scan which revealed no cancer. My oncologist declared remission. Praise God.

A second unrelated cancer in the ear/neck area will be treated with radiation. On Thursday I will have two scans which will determine how many treatments I will need. It could be five days up to five weeks. I'm hoping for the short version.

Thanks to my AGO buds for your love and prayers.
Sharron

Darryl Miller writes to provide an update on Susie's health:

Susie remains in St. Thomas Hospital (her fourth week) and, thankfully, began her chemo treatment on Friday. She has great doctors, and the staff at the hospital are so attentive and caring. Thanks for your caring and prayers.

Hank Woerner died at home on Monday, October 5, with his older sister Libby at his side. His multiple myeloma returned after nine years, and the doctors were not able to get it under control this time. He had just had his 65th birthday. Hank had been general manager of the Green Hills Mall and was a volunteer with the Nashville Symphony and Nashville Opera, among other nonprofit music organizations.

His ashes will be interred in the East Columbarium at Westminster Presbyterian Church, where he was a member of the choir. A memorial service will be celebrated when it's possible to have an indoor gathering for family and friends. Hank listed Westminster Music Ministry and the Nashville AGO for memorial gifts. A separate obituary for Hank, which appeared in *The Tennessean*, is available [here](#).

Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Congratulations to **Isaac Johnson** and his wife on the birth of their new daughter, Cecilia Alice Johnson, on October 2, 2020.



RECITAL ANNOUNCEMENT

On Friday, November 20, at 7:00 p.m., St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church (1601 N. Tennessee Blvd., Murfreesboro) will host an organ recital featuring Evan Cogswell. The program will feature music by Bach, Da Costa, Barber, and Demessieux. In-person attendance is possible, with masks and social distancing; the program will also be streamed on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/saintroselimaparish>. A Facebook account is not required to watch.

ORGAN STUDY AT UT KNOXVILLE

The organ studio at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, is vital and healthy this fall, even amid the pandemic, and we are actively recruiting new students for the 2021–22 academic year.

This semester, we have already enjoyed a wonderful postponed junior recital by performance major David Stultz, and in our studio class we have had several virtual sessions on Alexander Technique. In addition, the class is studying the organ chorales of Johannes Brahms and preparing for a virtual recital of those works. In the winter, we will collaborate with the Knoxville-area AGO in performing Olivier Messiaen's *La Nativité* for a virtual production that will air in March, and we look forward to more degree recitals in the spring.

More information is available on the [department website](#).

If you know of any organ students looking to advance their study, please have them contact me. I hope that you stay safe and well in this challenging time!

Sincerely,

Edie Johnson
Lecturer in Organ and Sacred Music
University of Tennessee, Knoxville

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.

ARTS CALENDAR

Events marked † are livestream-only.

11/1/2020, 4:00 p.m.†
All Saints Evensong
Matthew Phelps, Organist-Director
Featuring Henry Purcell's *Funeral Music for Queen Mary*
West End United Methodist Church
<https://livestream.com/westendumc>

11/20/2020, 7:00 p.m.
Evan Cogswell, Organ
Music of Bach, Da Costa, Barber, and Demessieux
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
<https://www.facebook.com/saintroselimaparish>
1601 N. Tennessee Blvd., Murfreesboro

11/21/2020, 7:30 p.m.†
Play On at St. George's
Featuring Musicians of the Nashville Symphony
St. George's Episcopal Church
<https://www.stgeorgesnashville.org/inexcelsis>

12/13/2020, 3:00 p.m.†
Play On at St. George's
Christmas Brass
Featuring Musicians of the Nashville Symphony
St. George's Episcopal Church
<https://www.stgeorgesnashville.org/inexcelsis>

12/13/2020, 5:30 p.m.†
Digital Candlelighting
Annual Lessons and Carols Service
West End United Methodist Church
<https://livestream.com/westendumc>

1/24/2021, 4:00 p.m.†
Evensong
Andrew Risinger, Organist-Director
West End United Methodist Church
<https://livestream.com/westendumc>