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# The Bombarde

## American Guild of Organists – Harrisburg Chapter



### From the Dean

Dear Colleagues,

I hope this message finds all of you well and happy following a long month of a job well done. Just two quick reminders:

- Plan to attend the January Jumpstart on January 12 at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian. Details are below in the program listing.
- If you want to play on the members' recital, Chant-Based Organ Repertoire, in March, please e-mail me at [BTerry@pinestreet.org](mailto:BTerry@pinestreet.org).

Have a very happy Christmastide.

Grace and peace,  
Brett

The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music. To achieve this, we:

- Encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music;
- Inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors;
- Provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support;
- Nurture future generations of organists;
- Promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and
- Engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

### 2018-2019 Programs

**January Jumpstart**—Saturday, January 12 at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave, Bryn Mawr.

**Members' Recital: Chant-Based Organ Repertoire**—Friday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 212 State St, Harrisburg—*A small choir sings the chants prior to the organist's performance.*

**Don Saliers Workshop**—Saturday, April 27 at 10:00 a.m. 9:30am Gathering time with coffee and goodies AND used music sale. Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 N. 23rd St, Camp Hill—*The AGO national chaplain and liturgical superstar talks about the call of musicians to ministry and how to reinvigorate our spiritual lives.*

**Paul Jacobs Recital**—Friday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 N. Third Street, Harrisburg—*Presented in partnership with Music at Pine Street. A reception will follow the recital.*

**Banquet and Annual Meeting**—Friday, May 17 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Fox-Eichelberger VFW Post 4715 in New Cumberland.

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### **Programs**

September 8—Gerre Hancock Recital, Camp Hill Presbyterian Church. The Guild and Camp Hill Presbyterian Church presented Gerre Hancock in recital including improvisations on submitted themes.

October 22—A Celebration of the Ministry of Music, Pine Street Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg. Guild member recital of congregational favorites, with an intermission by Don Clapper sharing his memories of his years of music ministry. Don Clapper announced his plan to retire.

November 2 and 3—Choral Workshop with Gilbert Martin, Grace United Methodist Church, Harrisburg. Gilbert Martin presented a choral reading workshop/choir rehearsal/worship service. This program included a music display by Menchey Music.

January 14—Anthem Favorites, Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill. Guild members presented favorite anthems in a choral-reading workshop.

February 4—General Service Music for Organists, Camp Hill Presbyterian Church. Guild member, David Binkley, presented a listing of general service music for organists and performed selected pieces.

April 15—Creative Hymn Playing, Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg. Guild members Suzanne Klinedinst, Pierce Getz, and Chuck Yocum discussed and demonstrated tips and techniques for creative hymn playing.

May 6—Annual Banquet, Hardings Restaurant, Camp Hill, followed by member recital at Wesley United Methodist Church, Mechanicsburg.

May 10—Violette Cassel Organ Scholarship Competition, Camp Hill Presbyterian Church. A \$600 first place and a \$400 second place award were set for this competition for Pennsylvania residents 17-25 years of age who were currently studying organ. Both Guild members and the public were invited to attend.

### **From The Bombarde**

October 1996

Stephen Eppley, Chapter member, opened Stephen's Restaurant and Catering Services in the former Chalet Restaurant along Route 15 in Dillsburg. Mr. Eppley plans to install a Wurlitzer pipe organ in his new restaurant.

November 1996

One of our members, Tony Leach, received a Ph.D. in Music Education from The Pennsylvania State University this past August. Dr. Leach will be the guest conductor of the Diocesan Choral Festival, featuring 150 young singers from Catholic high schools throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg. The Festival culminated in a concert at Trinity High School in Camp Hill, where Jean Thurston, another member of the Harrisburg Chapter, is choral director.

March 1997

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Karen Appel, Geoffrey Shoffstall and Chuck Yocum met on January 21.

May 1997

Rhonda Sider was the winner of the Cassell Scholarship for this season. Peace Church celebrated their 200th anniversary this summer. Brian Rice and Geoffrey Shoffstall presented recitals with soloists Larry Lint and Robert Buyers.

Ken Walker,  
Archivist

## Lunch Bunch

We always have such a great time together at our monthly networking lunches. Please plan to attend our next luncheon on January 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. We will meet at the Perkins Restaurant, 7 Erford Drive, Lemoyne (in front of the Radisson). Please email or phone Doris Savage no later than the preceding Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend. Email [dorisa-gohbg@comcast.net](mailto:dorisa-gohbg@comcast.net) or telephone (717) 697-4042.

## Area Events

Sunday, January 6, 2019—3:00 PM

Palmyra Church of the Brethren, 45 N Chestnut Street, Palmyra presents The Palmyra Community Band, under the direction of Kathleen (KD) Reese. The Palmyra Community Band is a wind and percussion ensemble comprised of music students from public and private schools, college students, music majors, music enthusiasts, parents and grandparents, music teachers, music advocates, and music lovers. More than 30 of the band's members are related to other members in the band. Reese's aim is for a multi-generational organization affording the opportunity for family members to play right along side one another. "Many of these musicians had put their instruments away once they left high school or college, and I'm thrilled they got them back out of their closets and are playing music again!" says Reese. Please come and delight in the sounds of the season as we welcome the Palmyra Community Band and their love of creating music for all of you. A good-will offering will be collected.

Sunday, January 13, 2019—6:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. 6th St., Lebanon—Choral Evensong with Choir of St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral, Harrisburg, and Organ Recital.

Friday, January 18, 2019—7:30 PM

Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 South Second Street, Harrisburg presents an organ recital featuring Chase Loomer from Yale University. Suggested donation of \$10.

Monday, February 4, 2019—7:30 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill presents Harrisburg Youth Symphony Orchestra and Junior Strings in concert. This concert is free. For information visit [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org).

Saturday, February 9, 2019—9:30 AM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill presents West Shore Symphony Orchestra Children's Concert—a program for young listeners. This concert is free. For information visit [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org).

Sunday, February 10, 2019—3:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill presents West Shore Symphony Orchestra and Harrisburg Choral Society in concert. This concert requires tickets. For information visit [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org).

Sunday, February 10, 2019—6:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. 6th St., Lebanon—Choral Evensong and Organ Recital—David M. Miller (Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Hagerstown, MD).

Saturday, February 16, 2019—7:00 PM

Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 South Second Street, Harrisburg presents L'anima d'amore featuring Tara Savarino, Laura Petravage, Joshua Kobel, and Jordan Markham, accompanied by a chamber orchestra. Suggested donation of \$10.

Saturday, March 9, 2019—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents mezzo-soprano Gwendolyn Bowers in recital. The event is free with a free-will offering.

Sunday, March 10, 2019—6:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. 6th St., Lebanon—Choral Evensong and Guest Preacher.

Sunday, March 17, 2019—4:00 PM

Derry Presbyterian Church, 248 East Derry Road, Hershey presents "Baroque Fireworks" with Scott Thornburg, trumpet; Yuko Naito-Gotay, violin; and Hershey Baroque Chamber Players. Get ready for a sparkling program of concertos for trumpet and violin by Bach, Handel, Corelli, and Telemann! The pyrotechnics will include Handel's Suite in D major for trumpet, strings, and continuo, Telemann's Trumpet Concerto in D major, and Bach's Violin Concerto in E major. Don't miss this chance to hear the HBCP bring the "greatest hits" of the 18th century to life! Free-will offering.

Sunday, March 31, 2019—3:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut St., Camp Hill presents French Masters: Duruflé *Requiem*, Poulenc *Organ Concerto*, and other works with Trinity Concert Choir and orchestra; Timothy Koch, conductor; and Chelsea Chen, organist. This concert is free. For information visit [www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org).

Sunday, March 31, 2019—3:00 PM

First Lutheran Church, 21 S. Bedford St., Carlisle presents lyric tenor, Christyan Seay, in concert. A freewill offering will be received. Call (717) 249-3310 or go to Fine Arts at First at [www.firstlutherancarlisle.org](http://www.firstlutherancarlisle.org) for information.

Sunday, March 31, 2019—4:00 PM

Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 South Second Street, Harrisburg presents the Vienna Boy Choir. This is a ticketed event.

## Positions Available

**Interim Director of Music / Organist:** Derry Presbyterian Church, a 1,000 member congregation in Hershey, PA, is seeking a part-time (20-25 hours per week) Interim Director of Music / Organist (DOM/O). The Church has a recognized, established and varied music program to include voice, bell, chime, and instrumental choirs – most of which are led by volunteer directors under the guidance of the DOM/O. The centerpieces of the music program are a 27 rank Reuter pipe organ and a 6'4" Yamaha concert grand piano. The ideal candidate will have: a Bachelor's Degree in Music, 3-5 years' experience as a combined church organist / conductor of multiple and varied choirs (vocal, bells, instrumental); knowledge of appropriate church music (classical, contemporary, folk, gospel); accomplished ability to play standard organ repertoire from Bach, French classical to contemporary composers and hymn tune arrangements; high levels of competence at simultaneous playing organ / piano and directing choir. Additional information regarding Derry Church can be found at the Church's website: [www.derrypres.org](http://www.derrypres.org). From the home page, the job description is located under News, We're hiring. Qualified candidates are encouraged to respond by sending a resume and salary requirements, to: Kathy McGrath, Derry Presbyterian Church, 248 East Derry Road, Hershey, PA 17033 or via e-mail (preferred) [kathy.mcgrath09@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.mcgrath09@gmail.com). Derry Presbyterian Church is an equal opportunity employer.

**Organist:** Neffsville Mennonite Church is seeking a part-time Organist (approx. 7 hrs. a week, including practice) for their 10:00AM worship service, as well as special services throughout the year, and weddings and funerals. The Organist must demonstrate professional skills in pipe organ both as soloist and accompanist, including knowledge of both traditional and more modern styles of hymns, anthems and service music. Neffsville has a Schantz organ with 1425 pipes and 25 chimes that was installed in 1991. The Organist is responsible to the Director of Music and Worship and also works closely with the Lead Pastor and song leaders to ensure that music remains a relevant and vital part of church programs and enhances the worship of the church. For more information, or to submit a cover letter and resume, please contact Rashard Allen at [rashard@neffmc.org](mailto:rashard@neffmc.org).

**Music Director** for Jerusalem Lutheran Church in Schuylkill Haven, PA. Play liturgy (two services most Sundays, Evening Prayer in Lent, etc.), direct twenty member adult choir, oversee and work with praise team, foster music with children – all with the purpose of leading the assembly in giving glory of God. Instruments include twenty-five year-old, three manual, 32 rank Schantz organ, and Boston grand piano in setting with superb acoustics. 15 hours/week, salary based on musicianship and experience. For complete job description, follow the Music Director Position link at [www.jerusalemchurch.com](http://www.jerusalemchurch.com). Send resume with salary requirements by November 30 to Jerusa-

lem Lutheran Church, 252 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972.

**Director of Music:** The Episcopal Cathedral of St. Stephen in Harrisburg is searching for a Director of Music. This full-time position with benefits involves playing organ for parish and diocesan services, directing the adult choir, developing a children's choir, and teaching part time in the only Episcopal day school in central Pennsylvania. Bachelor's degree required. Position description will be posted on the cathedral website: [www.ststep.org](http://www.ststep.org)

**Music Director:** St. James Presbyterian Church in Mechanicsburg is prayerfully seeking a church musician to serve as its next Director of Music. The church, which is affiliated with the PC(USA), worships at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The music at this service is blended. The church has a piano, an organ and a new sound system; services usually include a worship band. Among the Director of Music's responsibilities will be: 1) to play for worship services 2) to direct the church's adult and youth choirs 3) to rehearse weekly with the adult and youth choirs 4) to coordinate when the worship band and other groups of musicians sing during worship services 5) to select music for services in conjunction with the Pastor 6) to practice music before it is played in worship 7) to serve on the church's Worship and Christian Education ministry group and 8) to collaborate and to communicate regularly with the choirs, congregation and staff. The Director of Music will be ultimately accountable to Session, which is the governing body of the church, and will be supervised by the Pastor. Choirs rehearse on Thursday evenings, and occasionally, additional worship services are scheduled throughout the year. For more information or to apply, please contact the church office at (717)732-7848 or e-mail the Pastor Ron Gilmer ([rongilmer.pcusa@gmail.com](mailto:rongilmer.pcusa@gmail.com)).

**Organist:** Messiah UMC, Shippensburg, PA. is seeking an organist to lead the congregational singing, provide worship music, and accompany the Chancel Choir. Messiah Church has a Moller Organ, purchased in 1924, reconditioned in 1949 and 1969. In 2016, the church again reconditioned the organ including rewiring all relays and stop switching components, adding the Peterson ICS 400 system to provide memory, and adding 12 new Walker digital voices for Great, Swell, and Pedal. They are currently accepting applicants for the organist position, hoping to as soon as possible. Duties include weekly worship services at 9 a.m., Thursday evening Chancel Choir practice, and occasional services as needed. The organist does not play the last Sunday of each month and has two vacation weeks. For more information, call the church office at 717-532-4904. Resume with cover letter may be emailed to [messiahumc@comcast.net](mailto:messiahumc@comcast.net) with 'Organist Applicant' as the subject line or mailed to the church at 30 South Penn Street, Shippensburg, PA 17257.

**Assistant Organist:** Pine Street Presbyterian Church seeks applicants for the position of Assistant Organist. Primary responsibilities include accompanying the choir, playing hymns and service music, and organ voluntaries. P/T 15-20 hours/week. Salary commensurate with experience and education. For a full job description, if you have any questions, or to apply, e-mail Brett A. Terry, Minister of Music & Worship, at [BTerry@pinestreet.org](mailto:BTerry@pinestreet.org). Please include a résumé and cover letter if applying; no recordings are needed at this time.

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Deadline for inclusion in the second quarter 2019 newsletter is March 15, 2019.

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