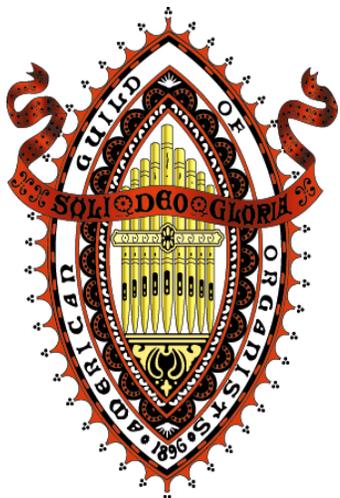


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The Clarion

American Guild of Organists – Harrisburg Chapter



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
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From the Dean-Elect

Greetings, Colleagues!

I hope this message finds you enjoying the start of summer, and that some vacation time is in your future after another busy year! As the Dean-Elect, I wanted to take a brief opportunity to introduce myself so that you can get to know me a little better!

I have been the Pastoral Musician at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Mechanicsburg since 2014, where in addition to playing the organ, I have been blessed to oversee a very large choral program of over 100 participants spread throughout our various ensembles. In addition to my work at Saint Joseph, I enjoy being a tenor with The Harrisburg Singers, and have had the opportunity to do some teaching at Messiah College.

Outside of music, I am an avid sports fan, particularly of the Chicago Cubs! My wife Linnet and I reside in Camp Hill and have two daughters: Madelyn, who is 18 months, and Cassidy who is just two months old. We also have two Shetland Sheepdogs who keep our lives interesting!

I am looking forward to serving as your Dean over this next year, and am extremely excited for all of the wonderful programs that are planned for us to enjoy. If there is ever anything that I can do for you, or if you have any suggestions for ways that our chapter can better serve our membership, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Look for more details regarding our upcoming events in the coming weeks...until then, be well!

Soli Deo Gloria,
Justin Myers, Dean-Elect
pastoralmusician@stjosephmech.org

Programs 2019-2020 Save the dates!

Scholarship Recital—Sunday, August 25 at 4:00pm at Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 S. Second Street, Harrisburg

Liturgical Improvisation Workshop and Masterclass—Saturday, September 21 at 10:00am with Robert McCormick, Clinician at First Lutheran Church, 21 S. Bedford Street, Carlisle

Hymn Festival—Hymns for the Liturgical Year—Friday, October 4 at 7:00pm at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 N. 23rd Street, Camp Hill

Organ Crawl with Open Consoles Visiting Organs in Downtown Harrisburg—Saturday, November 16 at 9:30am - 12:30pm

Choral Reading Session: "One Hit Wonders" Anthems that can be learned in one rehearsal—Saturday, January 25 at 10:00am with Joy and Andrew Meade, Clinicians at Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 S. Second Street, Harrisburg

Members' Recital: Organ and Piano Duets—Friday, February 28 at 7:30pm Preceded by a Pot-luck Dinner at 6:30pm at First United Methodist Church, 64 W. Chocolate Ave., Hershey

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Nathaniel Gumbs Recital—Sunday, March 15 at 4:00pm at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill

Banquet and Annual Meeting—Friday, May 1 from 6:00 – 9:00pm at Fox-Eichelberger VFW Post 7415, 109 Third Street, New Cumberland

Michael Hey Recital—Friday, May 15 at 7:00pm at Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 N. Third Street, Harrisburg

Lunch Bunch

Networking lunches are super times to connect with others so please plan to attend our next luncheon on June 12th at 11:30 a.m. We will meet at the Perkins Restaurant, 7 Erford Drive, Lemoyne. Email or phone Doris Savage no later than the preceding Monday, June 10th if you plan to attend dorisagohbg@comcast.net or (717) 697-4042.

Area Events

Sunday, June 2, 2019—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents the youth choir and handbell choir from Frist UMC in Colorado Springs, CO in concert.

Sunday, June 9, 2019—6:00 PM

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. 6th St., Lebanon—Choral Evensong and Organ Recital—Rachel Gragson (Cann Memorial Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth City, NC).

Sunday, June 23, 2019—4:00 PM

St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral, 221 N. Front Street, Harrisburg hosts a concert of The Market Square Singers presenting their Canada Tour concert.

Sunday, June 23, 2019—6:00 PM

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

Monday, July 1, 2019—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents Forté Handbell Quartet in concert. Based in Colorado Springs, Forté is an advanced quartet marked by artistry, energy, and dedication to their craft. In pursuit of musical excellence, The concert is free and open to everyone.

Wednesday, August 7, 2019—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents The Kings Brass in Concert. The concert is free and open to everyone.

Positions Available

Handbell Director: Trinity United Methodist Church, Hummelstown. Director works from August to June no more than 20 hours per week. Duties include: directing the bell choir playing monthly from September through June, cooperates with the other directors to prepare combined programs, and oversees the bell choir endowment. Traditionally rehearsals have been Thursdays. Essential qualifications: commitment to outstanding music ministry,

knowledge of liturgical components, ability to play bells and share this knowledge with others, basic music knowledge and conducting skills, Act 34 clearances, excellent interpersonal skills. For more information or to submit a resume contact the staff parish relations chair, Kathy Gingerich at ichmginger@aol.com or Pastor Rob Kazinski at rkazinski@susumc.org.

Music Director: Zion Lutheran Church in Newville, PA is looking for someone to play the organ, lead the choir and handbell choir for Sunday morning worship services. Must also be able to play piano and keyboard occasionally. Must be able to sight read music. Experience with Lutheran liturgy is preferred. The music director will provide music for worship throughout the church year including services for Lent, Holy Week, Advent and Christmas. The music director will also play for weddings and funerals. Send resume to zionlutheranpa@embarqmail.com or mail to Zion Lutheran Church 51 West Main Street Newville, PA 17241. If additional information is needed please contact Joey Diehl 717-386-7598, Fred Baker 717-243-3451 or the church office 717-776-3907.

Director of Music: Derry Presbyterian Church, a 1,000-member congregation in Hershey, PA, is seeking a full-time Director of Music (DOM). Derry has a diverse and varied music program – most of which are led by volunteer directors under the guidance of the DOM. At present, the program includes (but not limited to): a traditional choir, a hand bell choir, two children's choirs, two children/youth hand bell choirs, a youth choir, a brass ensemble, and coordination of other musicians when needed. Derry has a 27 rank Reuter pipe organ and a 6'4" Yamaha concert grand piano. The DOM may serve as a piano and or organ accompanist for all ensembles and for worship services, however a separate accompanist position is an option. The Reformed Tradition holds music in high regard as it contributes to the worship experience of the congregation and of individuals. We believe that music is a form of prayer and a proclamation of the Word of God. The DOM will have or develop an understanding of the role and function of music in the Reformed Tradition. A Bachelor's Degree in Music is preferred with 3-5 years' experience as a conductor of multiple choirs and ensembles (vocal, bells, instrumental); knowledge of appropriate church music (classical, contemporary, folk, gospel); direct a choir while playing a keyboard instrument. Derry seeks an accomplished choral director who can demonstrate spiritual growth through music for choirs, ensembles and the congregation. Additional information regarding Derry Church can be found at the Church's website: 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 to: kathy.mcgrath09@gmail.com. Derry Presbyterian Church is an equal opportunity employer.

Organist: Historic Gettysburg Presbyterian Church is seeking an organist for two traditional Sunday morning worship services (8:15 and 11:00), as well as special services throughout the year. Choir accompaniment a few times a year, piano skills a plus, sight reading not required. Right of first refusal for weddings and funerals. The organist must demonstrate professional skills with appropriate hymns and voluntaries. Responsible to Director of Music and Senior Pastor. Please submit cover letter and resume to info@gettysburgpresbyterian.org or phone 717-334-1235 for more information.

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Minister of Music: Trinity United Methodist Church, New Cumberland, PA is an evangelical church seeking a full-time Minister of Music to lead the multifaceted music ministry. Nearly 20% of the membership is involved in music ministry groups at Trinity. Music is important in the worship service and the Minister of Music is responsible for scheduling and training musicians to provide music of varied styles in the 8:15 and 10:45 worship services. The Minister of Music serves as organist for all worship services and accompanies instrumentalists and vocalists, either on the sanctuary pipe organ or grand piano. Other accompanists are available, as needed. He or she will direct two adult choirs, a youth choir, and a small contemporary group. The person will have an understanding of the voice and demonstrate good choral and conducting skills. He/she will oversee volunteers who direct the children's and handbell choirs. Trinity seeks someone who is called to minister to others and serve God through music. A Bachelor's degree in music and 3-5 years experience in church music is preferred. Salary is commensurate with experience for this position which includes benefits. A detailed job description can be obtained from Ken Gable, staff/ parish representative. Send all inquires and resume information to gablefam@gmail.com.

Director of Music (organist/choir director): St. Peter's Lutheran in Middletown is seeking a part time Director of Music (organist/choir director) to enhance worship on an Austin Organ and/or Steinway piano for the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service. One will be expected to build and develop an adult choir, and to lead a children's choir. He/she will be encouraged to perform organ recitals on the Austin organ. For a complete job listing, go to www.stpetersmiddletown.org. Please send a cover letter (with salary requirements) and resume to parishmail@stpetersmiddletown.org.

Organist: Otterbein United Methodist Church, Carlisle. Mission: To provide organ and piano music for church activities and to elevate the quality and variety of worship music at Otterbein. Qualifications: Have a degree in music or its equivalent, be proficient in playing organ and piano, have experience in and appreciation for Christian choral music (both sacred and contemporary), have experience with vocal and instrumental performance, be able to sight read and play hymns from the UMC hymnal, have a cheerful demeanor and works well with others. Responsibilities: Play the organ for regular worship services Sundays at 9:00am and special services which may include Ash Wednesday, Lenten Season, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunrise, Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve (6:30, 9:00, 11:00). Accompany adult choir with weekly rehearsal. Two weeks paid vacations (includes two Sundays). Other responsibilities and requirements are specified on the job description. Employment application can be requested from the church office. Contact Rev. Bruce Fensterbush, Otterbein United Methodist Church, 647 Forge Road, Carlisle, PA 17015, 717-659-7695.

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.

Messiah College Choral Symposium

Consider helping with the Messiah College Choral Symposium July 15-19. This weeklong symposium is part of the coursework for graduate students in our MM conducting program. Part of their week on campus includes directing a choir made up of folks like you.

The only "requirements" for participation are your availability to attend rehearsals and your ability to prepare the music ahead of time. Here are the specifics:

- July 15-18, 6:00-8:30pm; July 19, 2:00-6:00pm
- You are encouraged to participate if you can make at least 2/3rds of the rehearsal time.
- Messiah College High Center (exact location TBA)
- Haydn Paukenmesse and Vivaldi Gloria
- Music will be provided
- Opportunity to also sing in our afternoon sessions from 1:30-4:30

If you would like to participate, please contact Dr. Rachel Cornacchio with your name, voice part, and whether you would be able to pick up the music at the college or if you would prefer to have it mailed. If needing the music to be mailed, please include a mailing address.

For those of you who have choirs of your own, please feel free to forward this email to any folks who you believe would be able to prepare the music on their own.

Dr. Rachel Cornacchio
Professor of Music
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Treasurer's Report

by Scott Witfield

Balance in Checking as of 3/31/2019	\$788.44
Deposits:	+\$259.00
Transfers	+\$500.00
Interest:	+\$74.76
Checks / Debits:	-\$1,212.88
Balance in Checking as of 4/30/2019	\$409.32
Invested Funds as of 4/30/2019	
Harrisburg AGO Savings	\$51,510.66
Frances Bishop Investment	\$134,597.44

Election Results

The special election held in May resulted in the following officers for the 2019-2020 year.

Dean—Justin Myers

Sub-Dean—Tyler Canonico



Wanamaker Organ Day

Saturday June 1 at Macys Center City!

Peter Richard Conte
Ken Cowan
Philadelphia Brass
Mark Bani
Colin Howland
Rudy Lucente
Monte Maxwell
Bernie Anderson

A full, fun day of mostly free concerts, pipe-chamber tours and lively presentations beginning with a **Spectacular Curtain Drop** revealing the breathtaking restoration of the **Grand Organ Case**, decorated in **Three-and-a-Half Pounds of Solid Gold Leaf!** Thrill to the mighty Wanamaker unleashed!

8 PM Grand Evening Concert
Starring Peter Conte and Ken Cowan
Secure your tickets below!

HARRISBURG CHAPTER BOARD

ELECTED Officers

Dean	Joyce Gerstenlauer
SubDean	VACANT
Secretary	Christopher Prestia
Treasurer	Scott Witfield

Members at Large

2016—2020	Joyce Gerstenlauer, Tom Notestine, Karen Worley
2018—2022	Tyler Canonico, Phyllis Conrad, Daniel Dorty,
2017—2018 Young Adult Representative (appointed)	Evan Brickner

APPOINTED COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Archivist	Kenneth Walker
Chaplain	Father James Lease
Chapter Directory	Patrick McMullen
Communications (Newsletter, Emailed Quick News, Website)	Shawn Gingrich
Competition	Daniel Dorty
Education	Christopher Prestia
Finance	Scott Witfield
Historian	Justin Myers
Hospitality	Phyllis Conrad
Membership	Daniel Glessner
Placement	Ellen Hunt
Professional Development	Deborah Dillane
Program	Tyler Canonico
Publicity	Rachel Schulz
Registrar	VACANT

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Submission to **The Bombarde** and **The Clarion**

The deadline for both publications is the fifteenth the month following month's edition unless otherwise noted. Whenever possible, please submit your items in electronic format. For area events, please follow the format.



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