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Our mission is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.

October Event

We will join with Messiah College to sponsor a weekend with Rhonda Sider Edgington, October 3-4. Rhonda is the daughter of chapter members Ron & Beth Sider and we are pleased to be able to feature an artist who grew up here in our chapter.

Saturday, October 3, 2015 – 10-11am

Saturday Seminar at Messiah College, High Center for Worship and Performing Arts, Grantham. Seminar Description: "Through pictures, videos, and recordings of historic organs in Germany, Rhonda Edgington talks about the years she spent studying organ in North Germany. More than just a travelogue of places seen and organs played, or an academic discussion of stop lists and dates, Rhonda combines these things with a discussion of how she changed as a player as a result of her time spent in Germany, and also a broader look at the question of why and how European study is still important and beneficial." The event will be free and open to the public.

Sunday, October 4, 2015 – 3:00pm

Rhonda Sider Edgington in Recital at Messiah College, High Center for Worship and Performing Arts, Parmer Hall, Grantham. The concert is to include several selections to be performed with Jocelyn Goranson, flute. The event will be free and open to the public.

From the Dean

We have had a great start to our program year. The August Student-Teacher recital was a huge success and our recent program in September was a great evening with dinner and viewing the documentary "To Hear the Music." If you haven't made it to a program yet I hope that each of you can take part in some of our remaining programs this year. The complete list is on page 2.

This month we are excited to have Rhonda Sider Edgington coming to present a Saturday seminar as well as a recital. I hope you can attend Saturday and Sunday October 3 and 4. It will be wonderful to welcome her back to Harrisburg Chapter. See the complete details in the left column article.

Our planning for the Pipe Organ Encounter Plus (POE+) is off to a good start. Thanks to Ellen Hunt for taking the lead of this work as well as the twelve other chapter members who have stepped up to give their time and efforts. Won't you join the effort and help with this event? Ellen has written an article which appears on page 5.

Blessings to you all as you serve!

Pax vobiscum,
Shawn Gingrich

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Rhonda Sider Edgington is an eclectic musician, with strengths and interests lying in several diverse areas. Through her studies the last five years in Bremen, Germany with Harald Vogel and experience on historic organs in the region, she has acquired an extensive repertoire from Scheidt to CPE Bach. In 2007, she was chosen to play in the Oude Kerk in Amsterdam as a finalist in the International Sweelinck Competition, playing a recital of music composed between 1560 and 1660.

Before arriving in Bremen with a Fulbright scholarship in 2004, Rhonda was organist at the First United Church of Oak Park. The 88-rank Casavant there, especially well-suited to French repertoire of the 19th and

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20th centuries, inspired her to focus those years on composers from Franck through Messiaen and record a CD of those works. (After hearing Rhonda play Dupré, one Parisian organist remarked "You don't sound like a student of Harald Vogel!")

An avid chamber musician, Rhonda has appeared in concerts playing piano, harpsichord, and organ in combinations ranging from piano trios and Lieder accompaniments, to organ and brass or organ and strings, and also as an early music continuo player with soloists and ensembles. She appears as solo organist and continuo player on two CD's of early Christmas music with the Weser-Renaissance Ensemble, Bremen.

As a carillonneur, Rhonda was heard weekly at the University of Chicago's Rockefeller Carillon, has played concerts in Chicago's Botanical Gardens, and on the Naperville Millenium Carillon, and was heard at the national conventions of the Guild of Carillonneurs of American and Organ Historical Society.

As organ recitalist, Rhonda has played concerts in northern Europe, on instruments such as the Arp Schnitger organs in Norden and Steinkirchen, the Jugend Ahrend organ in Bremen's St. Martini Church, and a mean-tone instrument with subsemitones in Bremen-Walle. She has played recitals throughout the US's East Coast and Midwest, including venues such as Christ Church Cathedral, Indianapolis, St. Paul's Episcopal in Buffalo, and Fourth Presbyterian and Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. A friend of many varied styles and repertoire for the organ, Rhonda has also played in four national conventions of the Organ Historical Society.

Rhonda has worked as church musician since her student days, and has also served in recent years as organist and choir director in two German churches. As organ teacher, Rhonda worked as Assistant Professor at Concordia University, River Forest, and Interim Professor of Organ at Houghton College, in New York state. Her studies have been, in Bremen with Harald Vogel, Hans-Ola Ericson, and Hans Davidsson, and in the States with Larry Smith, Marilyn Keiser, John Chappell Stowe, Edward Zimmerman, and her father.

A supporter of the American Guild of Organists, Rhonda was dean of the student chapter while doing her masters at Indiana University, and later on the Chicago AGO board, as well as working with the 2006 Convention Planning Committee.

After living in Bremen, Germany for seven years, she recently moved with her husband Mark, and children Isaac and Esther to Holland, Michigan. There Rhonda is organist at Hope Church (Reformed Church of America) and staff accompanist at Hope College. She is represented by Ariel Artists.

Please plan to join us at Messiah College for both events. Bring a friend!

Also see the advertisement block on page 4.

Programs 2015-2016

Mark these dates on your calendars and plan to attend.

Saturday, October 3, 2015 – 10:00-11:00am

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Saturday, November 14, 2015 – 9:00am-12:00pm (gathering at 8:30am)

Karl Moyer, "Hymn Styles and How to Play Them: Hymnody vis-à-vis Theology." Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 212 Cocoa Avenue, Hershey, Alan Hair, host.

Saturday, January 16, 2016 – 8:00am-4:00pm

January Jumpstart, Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave, with the Philadelphia Chapter AGO. Registrations may be covered through Throne grants for those who wish to apply.

Tuesday, February 2 or 16, 2016 – 7:00pm

Bethany Village, Mechanicsburg, Anna Royer and Charles Yocum, hosts. AGO Gives Back - members play a "fun" program for residents. AGO provides desserts/snacks for residents. Note: They are doing renovations in their hall so details/date will need to be confirmed at a later time.

Friday, March 4, 2016 – Pot-Luck meal at 6:30, Program at 7:30

Pot-Luck dinner and Chapter Member Recital "Music and Art" at First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey, Shawn Gingrich, host. Chapter members will play musical selections from varying time periods while art work from the same period is displayed on screen.

Sunday, April 10, 2016 – 4:00pm

Dr. Delbert Disselhorst in recital at First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle, Aaron Sunstein, host.

May – Annual Meeting and Banquet—To be determined.

Archivist Report

1959/1960 Season

Officers for the season were: Dean, Mrs. Earl Copenhaver; Sub-Dean, Mrs. Robert Jones; Secretary, Miss Irene Bressler; Registrar, Rev. Aaron Shaeffer; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Brown.

The following are the recorded meetings. The Chapter met on Saturday evenings.

September: St. Matthew Lutheran Church/covered dish supper followed by a short resumé of members' summer vacation activities. Violette Cassell showed slides of her recent trip to Hawaii. Ronald Sider was announced as a new member of the Chapter.

October: Grace Methodist Church/box lunch followed by an organ recital by Rev. Aaron Shaeffer and Mr. James Klawitter. Mr. Clippinger, organist of the church, distributed 10 well-chosen contemporary anthems for a choral reading session. A committee was formed to draw up a new set of bylaws for the Chapter. The Secretary's lost book of minutes was located at Zion Lutheran Church—no more information on what they did with it!

November: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church/box lunch followed by an organ recital by Arnold Bowman, the church organist, demonstrating the tracker-action organ. It was recorded that this was one of the last tracker organs in the city. There was also a choral reading session and a presentation on Albert Schweitzer by Dr. Harry Milton Taylor, Assistant Pastor of Grace Methodist Church.

December: The annual Christmas party was held once more at the home of Dr. Rhein at 1426 Market Street. Sixty members and friends attended this party. Each person attending was asked to bring a wrapped gift of no more than one dollar in value!

January: Derry Street E. U. B. Church/box lunch followed by an organ recital by Mrs. Albert Yoder, organist, Baptist Church in Camp Hill, and Mr. Verle Witmer, organist-director, Stevens Memorial Methodist Church. There was also another choral reading session. The Treasurer, Mrs. M. Brown, reported a balance of \$332.90 in the treasury.

February: Derry Street E.U.B. Church/box lunch followed by audio-visual films rented from the University of Michigan made by Robert Noehren and Marilyn Mason. Present at this meeting were guests from Lebanon Valley College and other outlying towns as well as a "goodly" number of the local Chapter members.

March: Meeting changed to a Tuesday evening due to a conflict with a recital in Lancaster by David Craighead. A program of organ and other instruments was

presented at Messiah Lutheran Church at 8:15 p.m. on the twenty-second of March. Instruments playing with the organ were piano, flute, trumpet, violin, recorders and vocal music. There is actually a copy of the program included in the Secretary's minutes.

April: back to Saturday evening at Redeemer Lutheran Church/box lunch followed by a short business meeting when the Nominating Committee announced the newly-nominated officers for the 1960/1961 season. A short organ recital by Mrs. John Urban followed the business meeting.

May: Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill/Junior Choir Festival held on May 8, at 4:00 p.m. A choir of 92 children sang under the direction of Miss Virginia Cheesman, Director of Music at Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and consultant on Junior Choir methods at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey.

June: Tuesday evening, June 14, was the date set for the annual banquet at 6:30 at City Line Diner, 1946 Paxton Street, Harrisburg. The price per meal was \$1.95, and with tax added it totaled an amazing \$2.10.

This year was the 25th anniversary of the Harrisburg Chapter.

Officers elected for the 1960/1961 season were: Dean, James Klawitter; Sub-Dean, John R. Scholten; Registrar, Michael H. Shoemaker; Secretary, Arnold Bowman. At this point there is a note of some irregularity in the nomination process and a new list of nominees had to be presented and voted upon—I hope to find the results of this in the records for the next season.

Ken Walker
Archivist

Membership Corner

Directories

The 2015 membership directory is compiled and is being distributed. All data included in the printed directory comes from the national ONCARD system. If you find errors or needed updates in your information, please update your profile in the ONCARD system. Thanks to Rick Zentmeyer for his work on the directory.

Lunch Bunch

Our next luncheon will be held on Wednesday, October 14th at 11:30 a.m. in the Bridges Café at the Radisson in Camp Hill. Please email or phone Doris Savage no later than Monday, October 12th if you plan to attend. Telephone (717) 697-4042 or email dorisagohbg@comcast.net.

MESSIAH COLLEGE AND THE HARRISBURG CHAPTER OF
THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

PRESENT...

Rhonda Sider Edgington

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2015 AT 3:00 PM

THE CALVIN AND JANET HIGH CENTER FOR
WORSHIP AND PERFORMING ARTS, PARMER HALL

Rhonda, an international organist under management, will have her first opportunity to play the organ in Parmer Hall. Rhonda has played concerts in northern Europe, on instruments such as the Arp Schnitger organs in Norden and Steinkirchen, the Jugend Ahrend organ in Bremen's St. Martini Church, and a mean-tone instrument with subsemitones in Bremen-Walle. She has played recitals throughout the East Coast and Midwest, including venues such as Christ Church Cathedral, Indianapolis, St. Paul's Episcopal in Buffalo, and Fourth Presbyterian and Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. A friend of many varied styles and repertoire for the organ, Rhonda has also played in four national conventions of the Organ Historical Society. Rhonda's father, Dr. Ronald Sider, introduced the applied organ major at Messiah College. Before Messiah College had any pipes organs, Ron Sider taught on an electronic organ, and then helped to raise money to purchase pipe organs on campus. Rhonda and her husband Mark, live in Holland, Michigan with her children Isaac and Esther.

OPEN SEATING - NO TICKETS REQUIRED

QUESTIONS, CONTACT SUSAN MAYERNICK (717) 766-2511 EXT. 7282



Treasurer's Report

by Rick Zentmeyer

Cash in Checking as of 8/22/2015	\$	2,785.37
Disbursements (-)	\$	296.10
Receipts (+)	\$	2,786.50
Cash in Checking as of 9/24/2015	\$	5,275.77



Invested Funds:

Reserve Money Market	\$	20,994.82 ^{1, 2}
Cassel Award	\$	5,049.05
Clapper / Frysinger Fund	\$	6,545.92
Shenk Scholarship	\$	2,726.40 ²
Throne Money Market	\$	8,278.26
General CD	\$	5,041.78
TOTAL ASSETS as of 8/22/2015	\$	53,912.00

NOTE: At next Board Meeting I will propose a restructuring of our accounts to have fewer accounts with more money in each, in effort to avoid maintenance fees.

Rick Zentmeyer

¹Reserve Money Market includes the following

Stahle Award	\$	723.78
Cassel Award Donation	\$	20.00
Yocum Scholarship	\$	1,411.28

²\$1,500 was transferred from Reserve to Shenk Scholarship to insure that that the Shenk Money Market account was above min. \$2,500 to avoid \$9.99 per month maintenance fee, which was incurred this month.

2015-2016

Bell Amis

Handbell Ensemble



Saturday, October 17,
2015
Middletown
Presbyterian Church
Union & Water Sts.

3:00pm Concert
Ice Cream Social
to follow

Bell Amis is an elite ensemble made up of some of the best handbell ringers in southeastern Pennsylvania. Founded in early summer 2014, the new group's goal is to provide a unique ensemble-style of ringing without fixed positions or standard assignments. The ensemble style combined with the high skill of the group members allows for performance of a wide variety of music, from duets using only a few bells to fill septet pieces using five octaves.



For more information, please email BellAmisHandbells@gmail.com

Scholarship Student Notes

My experience learning to play the organ was GREAT! I really learned a lot from my fine teacher, Aaron Sunstein. I feel like I grew as a musician this summer. Even though organ is a very challenging instrument I really enjoy playing it. I wish that I would have had a little more time to practice. I am glad and very thankful for this special opportunity.

Julia Coler

My experience with the organ was positive. I thought the organ would be easy, but it was harder than I thought. However, I worked hard and accomplished my goal. I'm thankful for this opportunity.

Anna Traub

Thank you so much for awarding me with this scholarship! Now I can continue studying the organ and developing my talents!

Joseph Patterson

POE+
July 10 – 14, 2016

Remember our 2011 convention? What a great success! Five years later we've been chosen to host a Pipe Organ Encounter Plus (POE+) - the only one in the nation. We anticipate a great response, and we know we can count on our membership to ensure another stellar event. In the coming months you will be asked to contribute monetarily; also to help transport students from Messiah College to various area churches, and to be onsite at churches and Messiah for recitals, etc. With a large member participation, no one will be asked to do a yeoman's job.

The POE+ committee:

- Ellen Hunt, chair
- Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, faculty and program
- Shawn Gingrich, facilities coordinator
- Phyllis Conrad, secretary
- Carol Hunter, registrar
- Rick Zentmeyer, treasurer
- Ray Edmison, transportation coordinator
- Kathy Gates and Mary Jane Nelson, publicity

Volunteer consultants:

- Deb Dillane
- Judy Schrack
- David Messner

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Area Events Listing

Sunday, October 4, 2015—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Tromba Mundi, lead by Dr. Bill Stowman from Messiah College. This dynamic group is comprised of six professional trumpet players from across the United States who have transformed the art of the trumpet ensemble into a wonderfully musical and humorous concert experience.

Wednesday, October 7, 2015—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist Anthony Ciucci as a part of the Wednesday Noonday Organ Recitals featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. 11:45 AM – 12:15 PM light lunch served at the church, 12:15 – 12:45 PM Organ Recital. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Saturday, October 17, 2015—3:00 PM

Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown presents Bell Amis Handbell Ensemble. Bell Amis is an elite ensemble made up of some of the best handbell ringers in southeastern PA. Founded in the early summer of 2014, the new group's goal is to provide a unique ensemble style of ringing without fixed positions or standard assignments. This ensemble style combined with the high skill of group members allows for performance of a wide variety of music. See them on facebook at BellAmisHandbells. Ice Cream Social to follow in the church fellowship hall. (See flyer on page 5).

Sunday, October 18, 2015—4:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents tenor Christyan Seay in concert. A free-will offering will be received at this concert.

Sunday, October 25, 2015—3:00 PM

Thompson Chapel, Wilson College, Chambersburg presents organist Raúl Prieto Ramírez in the Van Looy Organ Series. Ramírez is the first Spanish organist in recent times to establish himself among the elites of the international concert scene. His powerful personality, passionate expressiveness, gift for communication, and outstanding technique make him shine with a unique light. Tickets are \$8, children under 12 and Wilson students, faculty and staff are free. Contact (717) 262-2003 or visit www.wilson.edu/events.

Sunday, October 25, 2015—4:00 PM

First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle presents a 250th Anniversary Celebration Concert directed by Minister of Music, Aaron Sunstein, in honor of First Lutheran's milestone anniversary. Sponsored by Fine Arts at First, the concert is free and open to all. A freewill offering will be received. 717-249-3310 www.firstlutheran Carlisle.org. (See article on page 7)

Sunday, November 1, 2015—3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents organist Daniel Umholtz in recital. The program is free and open to everyone. A free-will offering will be received.

Wednesday, November 4, 2015—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist David Binkley as a part of the Wednesday Noonday Organ Recitals featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. 11:45

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Wednesday, November 4, 2015—6:00 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents the Popcorn Hat players in "Sleeping Beauty." A freewill offering will be received at this concert.

Sunday, November 8, 2015—4:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Paul Bisaccia, piano. The fabulous Paul Bisaccia returns to Trinity in a brand new concert, *An American in Paris*, featuring all American composers.

Friday, November 13, 2015—7:30 PM

Lebanon Valley College, Blair Music Center, Lutz Hall presents The King's Singers in a free concert.

Sunday, November 22, 2015—2:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church, 140 East Orange Street, Lancaster presents composer Dan Forrest in concert. The concert is free—a free-will offering will be received.

Wednesday, December 2, 2015—12:15 PM

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, 101 North 23rd Street, Camp Hill presents organist T. Herbert Dimmock as a part of the Wednesday Noonday Organ Recitals featuring members of the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. 11:45 AM – 12:15 PM light lunch served at the church, 12:15 – 12:45 PM Organ Recital. A free-will offering will be received. (717) 737-0488 www.thechpc.org.

Friday, December 4, 2015—7:30 PM

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, 140 North Beaver Street, York presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. Visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call (717) 298-7071 for more information.

Saturday, December 5, 2015—7:00 PM

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 600 South 12th Street, Lebanon presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. Visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call (717) 298-7071 for more information.

Saturday, December 5, 2015—7:30 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2000 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill presents Holiday! with the Harrisburg Singers, Susan Solomon Beckley, director; H. Timothy Koch, accompanist.

Sunday, December 6, 2015—3:00 PM

Black Rock Church of the Brethren, 3864 Glenville Road, Glenville presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. Visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call (717) 298-7071 for more information.

Friday, December 11, 2015—7:30 PM

St. Edward Episcopal Church, 2453 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. Visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call (717) 298-7071 for more information.

Saturday, December 12, 2015—7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents the Hershey Handbell Ensemble in concert. Visit hersheyhandbellensemble.org or call (717) 298-7071 for more information.

Positions Available

Organist / Pianist: Twenty-Ninth Street United Methodist Church, Harrisburg, PA is seeking applicants for the part-time paid position of Church Organist/Pianist. General responsibilities include selecting and providing organ/piano music for Sunday morning worship service and any other scheduled special services where the organ/piano is the primary instrument. The organ is an Allen Organ Custom 2D4 model built to AGO specifications. It has 40 speaking stops, two full 61 note Manuals, Swell and Great. It also has a full 32 note pedal board and contains a settable 5 piston button moving stop tab capture system on the Generals and Manuals. A detailed job description is available by calling the church office at 564-5821 or e-mail a request to um29thstreet@mindspring.com. Resumés must be received by October 9, 2015. Please send your resumé via e-mail to: um29thstreet@mindspring.com or a printed copy may be mailed to: Organist Search Committee
%Twenty-Ninth Street United Methodist Church
750 South 29th Street
Harrisburg, PA 17111

Minister of Music: St. Paul's Lutheran, Dillsburg. Part-time, contracted position. The position has the potential to be divided (organist, choir director) depending on the qualifications and interests of the applicant. One Sunday morning worship service at 10:15, ELW hymnal. While this is generally a traditional liturgical service, we would like a musician who is willing to include contemporary hymns and music on a regular basis. One Adult choir - rehearsal Wednesday evenings (although moving to a Thursday evening is an option if necessary for the candidate). Currently no youth choir but desire a greater engagement of children and youth in the music program. On average, about 75-100 people worship at the 10:15 service. (We also offer Saturday evening and early Sunday morning worship services, but these are spoken liturgies) The Minister of Music needs to coordinate and cooperate with the bell choir director (primarily youth and adults) who also engages children and youth on special occasions to ring chimes. The Minister of Music is primarily responsible for selecting hymns for weekly worship services with the understanding that the pastor may revise some selections from time to time for special themes, etc. The pastor is ultimately responsible for setting the liturgy but desires a collegial relationship with the musician to plan worship. The Minister of Music is responsible for the care and maintenance of the organ and pianos. The Brunner Organ Company provides tuning and maintenance services for the organ (2 manual, 24 rank - I think). Ron Engle contracts with the church for the care and tuning of pianos. The salary is negotiable. We'll offer 4 weeks vacation and 2 weeks for continuing education. The church pays the dues for AGO and ALCM. For information or to submit materials contact: The Rev. Lois K. Van Orden, Pastor, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 South Baltimore Street, Dillsburg, PA 17019, (717) 432-3202.

Fine Arts at First Presents The 250th Anniversary Celebration Concert of First Lutheran Church



First Lutheran Church, 21 South Bedford Street, Carlisle will celebrate its 250th anniversary with a festive sacred concert on Reformation Sunday, October 25 at 4 P.M. The theme of the concert, presented by the Chancel Choir of First Lutheran Church along with guest singers and instrumentalists, will be "Jesus Christ our Cornerstone" featuring music to celebrate God's freely given grace and First Lutheran's continuing witness in Carlisle. The program will be led by Aaron Sunstein, Minister of Music and candidate for the Doctor of Music degree at Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University.

The musical centerpiece of the program is J. S. Bach's Cantata 80 *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, which will be accompanied by harpsichord and a 15-piece chamber orchestra. Guest soloists will be soprano Christine Rapp, alto Amy Sprenkle, tenor Robert Laird, and bass David Dimmock. The concert will also include works by Vaughan Williams, Grieg, Brahms, Rorem, and Mendelssohn. Everyone will be invited to join the choirs in singing celebratory hymns accompanied by organ and orchestra. As part of the church's year-long anniversary community service project theme, concert-goers are encouraged to bring a new unwrapped toy or book for children in need at Christmas. A freewill offering will also be received for those who would like to contribute towards the purchase of these items. *Fine Arts at First*, concert sponsor, will then donate the toys and books to local charitable organizations in the area for distribution.

The performance is underwritten in part by the *Margaret Steck Miller Memorial Fund for the Arts*. Additional funding for the event will be provided by Thrivent Financial. A dessert reception will follow the performance. For more information, contact the church, (717) 249-3310, email flccarlisle@gmail.com, or visit www.firstlutherancarlisle.org.

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Submission to The Bombarde

The deadline for each edition of *The Bombarde* is the fifteenth of the month unless otherwise noted. Whenever possible, please submit your items in electronic format.



Deadline for inclusion in the November 2015 newsletter is
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Please send **all** submissions to:

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