

Principal Pipings

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Dean's Message

Hello AGO Friends,

It was great to see so many of you at our jam-packed calendar of October AGO events! Beginning with Michael Messina's wonderful recital at Good Shepherd, continuing with recitals by several of our members, and finishing with our organ reading session, there was something for nearly everyone.

Looking ahead, it's time to begin planning for our annual Christmas Pipes member recital, held this year at Southern Hills United Methodist Church in Lexington. Here's your chance to get up close and personal with the Reuter organ, recently enlarged and enhanced by Randall Dyer. Look for all the details elsewhere in this newsletter, and sign up now. Remember that proceeds from the goodwill offering taken at this recital go towards our scholarship fund!

With thoughts of our Christmas recital, it seems like this year is passing swiftly. Advent and its attendant busyness is almost upon us. It's easy to be consumed by the myriad rehearsals and performances that inundate musicians at this time of year, so don't forget to give yourself some down time to enjoy the season!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Jane

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UPCOMING EVENTS - AGO sponsored events are in blue

Saturday, November 3, 2021; 7:30 pm	Amadeus Lex, Dr. Jonathan Crosmer, Director; Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington (tickets www.amadeuslex.com)
Sunday, November 7, 2021; 3:30 pm	Concert and All Souls Evensong featuring Beyond Pluck, Rachel Renee Miller, harp and Paula Elizabeth Bressman, harp; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Sunday, November 28, 2021; 5:00 pm	Noel! Lexington Chamber Chorale; Second Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Friday, December 3, 2021; 7:30 pm	Handel's Messiah Part One and the Hallelujah Chorus; The Lexington Baroque Ensemble and the Cathedral Choir; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington; (tickets www.ccclex.org/messiah or www.lexingtonlyric.com)
Sunday, December 5, 2021; 2:00 pm	Christmas Pipes Member Recital; Southern Hills United Methodist Church, Lexington
Sunday, December 12, 2021; 7:00 pm	A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Saturday, December 18, 2021; 8:00 pm	A Cathedral Christmas with Lexington Philharmonic Orchestra and Lexington Singers; Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington (tickets www.lexphil.org or 859-233-4226)
Tuesday, December 21, 2021; Noon	A Ceremony of Carols; The Cathedral Girls Choir and Rachel Renee Miller, harp; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Sunday, January 23, 2022; 4:00 pm	Online Presentation: Jazz Concert featuring Ben Rosenblum Piano Jazz Trio; sponsored by Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Saturday, January 29, 2022; 9:30 am	Collaborative Program with Louisville AGO to introduce youth to the organ and other instruments; Christ Church United Methodist, Louisville

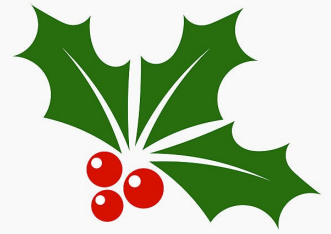
MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, February 20, 2022; 5:00 pm	Unity Through Music; Lexington Chamber Chorale; Second Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Sunday, February 27, 2022; 2:30 pm	Ethan Neal, organ; Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington
Sunday, February 27, 2022; 3:30 pm	Concert and Evensong with UK Faculty Brass Quintet; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Saturday, March 12, 2022; 11:30 am	Incorporating Harpsichord into Worship; presented by Jack Ashworth; Southern Hills United Methodist Church, Lexington; lunch at 11:30 am, program at 1:00 pm
April 2022 TBD	Collaborative Program with Bluegrass ATOS featuring the Silent Film “King of Kings: with theatre organist Mark Gifford; Kentucky Theatre, Lexington
Sunday, April 10, 2022; 4:00 pm	Gabriel Faure’s Requiem; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Sunday, April 24, 2022; 5:00 pm	A World of Music; Lexington Chamber Chorale; Second Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Sunday, May 8, 2022; 3:00 pm	Janette Fishell recital, followed by Evensong; Church of the Good Shepherd, Lexington
Friday, May 13, 2022; 7:30 pm	Katie Minion Scheetz recital; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Friday, May 20, 2022; 7:30 pm	SCAPA Madrigal Singers; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Sunday, May 22, 2022; 3:30 pm	Grant Holcomb, organ, followed by Evensong; Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington
Friday, May 27, 2022; 7:30 pm	Alan Morrison recital, Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington
June 2022 TBD	Installation Service with Meal, location TBD

For inclusion in the December newsletter calendar for local music events, please contact Jane Johnson at jhjohn@email.uky.edu. The deadline is Sunday, November 28th. These and other events can also be found on our website: www.agolexington.org.

SIGN UP NOW FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PIPES MEMBER RECITAL!

Do you have a favorite Advent or Christmas piece you want to share? Our annual Christmas Pipes Concert will be held at Southern Hills UMC in Lexington on Sunday, December 5th at 2:00pm, and we need you to be a part of it! This will be an in-person event. Advent is a busy time for us all, so you can even play something your church has already heard - we'll never know! If you'd like to participate send your selection(s) to James Humlong (james.humlong@gmail.com), or feel free to text him. Please keep your pieces to 6-8 minutes as we will try to keep the program no longer than an hour. **Deadlines for sign-ups will be Friday, November 15th, and selections will be due Monday, November 25th** in order to give time for the programs to be made. Feel free to contact James to set up times to see the organ or practice. A stop list of the instrument is available on the chapter website. This will be a fundraiser for the chapter's scholarship fund. We hope you'll join us!



JANUARY COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM WITH LOUISVILLE AGO

This is Shawn Dawson from Christ Church United Methodist in Louisville. I am reaching out about the Pedals, Pipes and Pizza event we are hosting at Christ Church and planning together with Lexington and Louisville AGOs for Saturday, January 29. We are very excited about this event, and I am beginning to put some details together!

We are planning the event based on two similar events that Dan Stokes had here several years ago. There will be an "instrument petting zoo" from 9:30-11:00 that morning. I have begun securing volunteers from Christ Church for this already, but others would be welcome as well. This will be a casual time for families to roam around our fellowship hall and get to see (and hopefully touch) various instruments. We will also have two stations at our organs as well for the children to explore – the Letourneau in the Sanctuary and the Schantz in the Chapel.

The concert will be at 11:00, and we intend to feature the organ with various instruments in most or all of the pieces if possible – including one or two hymns sung by all. We hope to keep the concert length to 45-50 minutes. We would love to have organists from the Lexington chapter play on the concert! I am initially thinking 1-3 organists from each chapter depending on the length and number of pieces. So, please be thinking about that, and let me know what ideas you might have. The pizza will be around 12:00 noon after the concert. We will probably have time after the concert for the children to come up and see the organ as well.

We'll have more information in our December newsletter. We hope many of the members from both chapters will want to be involved in this special event to bring more young people to the organ!

MEMBER NEWS

Our condolences to **Larry Sharp** on the recent loss of his mother. We received this note from Larry:

Dear AGO Friends,

My family and I would like to thank you for the beautiful flower arrangement at my mother's funeral service. It was the very first thing I saw, greeting me as I arrived at the church that morning. The bright colors helped cheer me up on a sad day. I also appreciate seeing so many AGO friends at Mom's visitation, not to mention the many texts and messages sent to me. I appreciate your love, encouragement, and support.

Appreciatively,

Larry Sharp

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Nicholas Hites, 116 South Riverview Lane, Prestonsburg KY 606-259-1115 nicholas.hites@gmail.com

William Robinson, 3813 Lady Di Lane, Lexington KY 606-309-7210 Wrobinson@cdlex.org

Welcome, Nick and William! We look forward to having you both as a part of Lexington AGO!

ORGAN SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Scholarships up to \$500 are available from our chapter through the John Courter Scholarship Fund for those interested in attending a regional or national AGO convention, or a Pipe Organ Encounter (POE). These scholarships are available to our younger members from 18 to early 30's in age. An AGO convention or POE is a wonderful cultural and educational experience for young organists.

In order to be eligible for the scholarship, applicants need to apply at least 3 months prior to the event they wish to attend. Applicants who demonstrate financial need will receive priority consideration, but scholarships will not solely be determined by financial need. All scholarship recipients must be willing to provide a written report and/or oral presentation at a chapter meeting following the convention or POE.

If interested, please contact chapter dean, Jane Johnson, or William Webber, Education Committee Chair, for further details and assistance with your application.

ORGAN READING SESSION—OCTOBER 23RD



Members enjoyed browsing and buying music provided by MorningStar Publishers after hearing much of it performed by Nancy Dunn on the Moller organ at First Christian Church (DOC) in Winchester.



Grant Holcomb performing one of his favorite service pieces for the members.



Nancy and Michael Dunn hosted the reading session and also demonstrated some of the music provided by MorningStar Music.



COMING EVENTS

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Concert & Evensong

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

3:30pm

Concert: *Beyond Pluck*

Rachel Renee Miller, *harp*

Paula Elizabeth Bressman, *harp*

4:00pm All Souls Evensong
with the Cathedral Choir

George Frideric Handel's *Messiah* Part One and the Hallelujah Chorus

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

7:30pm

The Cathedral Choir and guest soloists
with the Lexington Baroque Ensemble

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September 26

February 27

November 7

May 22



Friday, December 3

7:30pm George Frideric Handel's *Messiah*

Part 1 and Hallelujah Chorus

with the Cathedral Choir

For ticket reservations visit

www.ccclex.org/messiah



Sunday, December 12

7:00pm A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

with the Cathedral Choir

Tuesday, December 21

Noon *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten

Rachel Renee Miller, harp

and the Cathedral Girls Choir



Palm Sunday, April 10

4:00pm Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem*

with the Cathedral Choir



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Spring: God of sleep, and God of slum-ber, help us not be late, we ask;
Fall: God of ev-ery cho-ir, mem-ber, we need sleep to sing our best.

chang-ing clocks con-fer-ward num-ber, may we not for-get this task.
Help each sing-or to re-mem-ber: take that ex-tra hour of rest.

Choir di-rec-tors, preach-ers, teach-ers, all will bless your ho-ly
Charge those clocks one back-ward ho-ur: don't ar-rive at church too

soon, if to Sun-day church on time we came.
soon, or the ar-thurs by your-self you'll croon.

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MUSIC: John Hagbin, 1907

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