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The Bombarde

American Guild of Organists – Harrisburg Chapter



From the Dean

Greetings, colleagues!

Happy fall! As we now are back in the (mostly) full swing of things, it is a joy to be seeing many of you in person again. As of this newsletter, we have had the pleasure to gather together for two wonderful events; recitals by our scholarship students, and rising star Nat Gumbs. As we look ahead to what I hope is a fruitful year for our chapter, I'd like to point out in a special way, our Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza (PPP) events to be held in January. One of my big initiatives this year is to try and get more students engaged and playing the organ, no matter their age, experience, or ability! If you know of anyone at all who may be interested in giving the organ a try, I encourage you to invite them...did I mention NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!! The education committee has been hard at work coming up with appropriate materials for the beginning student, and I'll be excited to share those details with you by our next newsletter!

As always, I am grateful to each of you for your continued support of our chapter!

In humble service,
Justin

October Program

Nathaniel Gumbs, a native of the Bronx, New York, will play a concert sponsored by the Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, October 3, on the three-manual 56-rank Aeolian-Skinner Opus 1155, rebuilt and enlarged by R. A. Daffer in 1989, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 21 S. Bedford Street, Carlisle. The program will include music by Alfred Hollins, Gaston Litaize, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, J. S. Bach, William Bolcom, Carl Haywood, and Florence Price. Admission is free. Parking is available adjacent to the church.



Dr. Gumbs has performed throughout the United States and abroad. He currently serves as Director of Chapel Music at Yale University, where he works with students, faculty and guests to coordinate music for three worshipping communities: the University Church in Battell Chapel, and at Yale Divinity School in both Marquand Chapel and at Berkeley Divinity School. He earned his undergraduate degree from Shenandoah Conservatory in Virginia, his Master of Music degree from Yale University, and in 2021 completed a Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the Eastman School of Music. His principal teachers include Steven Cooksey, David Higgs, and Martin Jean.

Prior to his position at Yale, Dr. Gumbs served as Director of Music and Arts and Church Organist at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Charlotte, North Carolina, where he led several hundred volunteer musicians and staff in four choirs and other ensembles. He has also been a frequent guest musician at Abyssinian Baptist

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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;
- Engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

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Church in Harlem and served as organist and clinician for the Hampton University Ministers' Conference.

In 2017 The Diapason magazine recognized Nathaniel Gumbs as one of 20 outstanding organists under 30 years old for his achievement in organ performance and church music. In 2018, Nathaniel curated the opening Hymn Festival (Singing Diverse Music in The New Church) for the Hymn Society's annual conference.

A meet-the-artist reception will follow the concert. For more information

Lunch Bunch

We have been gathering for lunch and networking and encourage you to join us for the next lunch on Wednesday, October 20 at 11:30am at the Perkins in Camp Hill. If you are interested in attending please use this link to register <https://tinyurl.com/yk3udpce> or for more information contact the chapter email address: harrisburgago@gmail.com or call Shawn Gingrich at 717-877-8554.

Upcoming Programs 2021-2022

- Nathaniel Gumbs Organ Recital, Sunday, October 3 at 4 PM First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 21 S. Bedford St., Carlisle, PA 17013
- Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza, Saturday, January 8 at 10 AM Lebanon Valley College, 101 College Ave., Annville, PA 17003
- January Jumpstart with the Philadelphia AGO, Saturday, January 15 (time tba) Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 (See page 5 for details)
- Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza, Saturday, January 22 at 10 AM Messiah University 1 College Ave., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- Masterclass with Ken Cowan, Saturday, February 26 at 10:00 AM Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 S 2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101
- Workshop with Scott Montgomery Saturday, March 19 at 10 AM Lebanon Valley College, 101 College Ave., Annville, PA 17003
- Scott Montgomery Organ Recital, Sunday, March 20 at 4 PM Derry Presbyterian Church, 248 E Derry Rd., Hershey, PA 17033
- Michael Hey Organ Recital and AGO Banquet, Sunday, May 22 at 4 PM Pine Street Presbyterian Church, 310 N 3rd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101

For more information regarding programs, please contact our Sub Dean, Tyler Canonico, via e-mail: Canonico@marketsquarechurch.org or phone: 717.257.1270 ext. 18.

All programs (except the banquet) are free and open to the public.

Finance Report

Shawn Gingrich, treasurer

Balance in Checking as of 7/1/2021	\$2,078.01
Expenses ¹	\$2,834.61
Deposits & Credits:	\$4,756.57
Balance in Checking as of 9/30/2021	\$3,999.97
Invested Funds as of 7/1/2021	
Harrisburg AGO Savings ³	\$52,802.62
Frances Bishop Fund	\$162,124.90
Total	\$214,903.08
Invested Funds as of 9/30/2021	
Harrisburg AGO Savings ³	\$15,114.26
Thrivent Investment Fund	\$44,826.36
Frances Bishop Fund	\$158,987.11
Total	\$218,927.73

NOTES:

¹Expenses reflect program expenses, income from donations to special funds being transferred to savings, and expenses of the scholarship program (offset by income to reimburse the general fund in the checking account).

²Harrisburg AGO Savings Detail as of 7/1/2021:

Cassel Competition Fund	\$4,763.45
Clapper-Fryinger Bequests	\$4,626.02
Reserve Savings	\$24,060.84
Shenk Scholarship Fund	\$3,351.79
Throne Fund	\$8,289.12
Yocum Scholarship Fund	\$7,711.40

³Harrisburg AGO Savings Detail as of 9/30/2021:

Cassel Competition Fund	\$4,870.93
Clapper-Fryinger Bequests	\$4,784.28
Reserve Savings	\$24,005.38
Shenk Scholarship Fund	\$10,182.65
Throne Fund	\$8,270.00
Yocum Scholarship Fund	\$7,827.38

Archivist Report

2007/2008

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GUILD PROGRAMS 2007-2008

- October 14 Student/ Member Recital, First Lutheran Church, Carlisle
- November 10 "First Aid for Organs" and Practical Organ Literature, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Hershey
- February 10 Workshop by Wayne Leupold featuring his published organ music, Faith Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg
- March 2 Music for Organ with Orchestra in Memory of Pierce Getz, Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill
- April 13 The Hershey Handbell Ensemble and Handbell Choirs of First United Methodist Church of Hershey with Shawn Gingrich directing, First United Methodist Church, Hershey.
- May 20 Banquet and Election/Installation of Officers, Karen Appel's residence, 5004 Mountain Ridge Lane, Harrisburg

Presenters of November 10, 2007 Practical Organ Literature Shirley King, David Binkley, Helen Anthony



Participants of the March 2, 2008 memorial concert Truman Bullard, Tim Koch, Shawn Gingrich, Deb Dillane, David Binkley, with Mrs. Gene Getz (front)

FROM THE BOMBARDES

- Chelsea Barton, one of Harrisburg AGO's Shenk Scholarship students, was selected as one of three finalists for the high school division of the Albert Schweitzer Organ Competition. It was announced later that Chelsea was a winner in the competition.
- At a Board meeting it was decided that the Editorial Board would be eliminated. The Editor of our newsletter will have sole responsibility for the preparation of The Bombarde,
- Harrisburg AGO was offered the opportunity to sponsor the 2011 Regional Convention. The Executive Committee authorized a feasibility study to be done by Shawn Gingrich and Timothy Koch to determine what support there would be among the membership and to rally willing workers. Tim Koch and Shawn Gingrich reported on their feasibility study at a November meeting of the Board. The Board gave approval for Dean Ellen Hunt to contact the York and Lancaster Chapters regarding including them in our plans for the convention. It was announced in May that the Harrisburg Chapter was selected to host the Region III Convention in 2011.
- Fran Treisbach, Bombarde Editor, moved out of our area. Tom Notestine was named the new Editor with Mary Jane Nelson as proof reader, Walt Stiller as copier and sender, Shawn Gingrich and Doris Savage as assistants to the Editor.
- Susan Klinedinst was appointed Chair of the Nomination Committee for the next season.

Ken Walker Archivist

Organ Available

The Johannus organ pictured is available for the taking, currently located in a Harrisburg church, and in excellent condition. Speakers are self-contained, making it very compact for an home instrument. We're hoping to find a good home for it soon to make way for a larger instrument for the church.



Please call Anthony Ciucci at 717-856-9898 for further details.

Positions Available

Part-Time Organist / Pianist / Choir Director: Quickel Lutheran Church is seeking a part-time Organist/Pianist/Choir Director. This is a 10-12 hour per week position with responsibilities including: leading our Sunday morning worship playing a solid state refurbished M.P. Moller organ and a Kawai baby grand piano. The adult choir offers anthems weekly during worship from September through May as well as seasonal special services (Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, etc.). The candidate will work with the Pastor and the Worship and Music Team to plan worship services. Please send a letter of introduction and resume to Quickel Lutheran Church, 60 Canal Rd. Extd., York, PA 17406 or to quickel@comcast.net. If additional information is desired, please call 717-266-4179.

Contemporary Worship Leader: Grace UMC, Hummelstown PA. 10-12 hours/wk. Vibrant community church in Hummelstown is seeking a new person to lead our Contemporary Worship ministry. We are looking for a strong vocalist who is skilled on the piano and/or guitar and has experience leading contemporary worship and working with a band. Tuesday evening rehearsal and one Sunday service. Much of the administrative function of this position can be done remotely. A complete job description is available at the link: <https://tinyurl.com/kv7bnkmp>

Director of Music / Organist: The Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown is seeking a Director of Music/Organist. The Director of Music is responsible for organizing and rehearsing choirs, ensembles or soloists for weekly Sunday services, classic and contemporary. This individual works with the pastor to select music in addition to providing music for special services throughout the year. The position is part-time, 12-15 hours per week. Salary is based on education and experience. Interested candidates should submit resumes to: Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown, 290 North Union Street. Middletown, 17057 717-944-4322 office@pcmdt.org | www.pcmdt.org

Three Positions Available: Asbury United Methodist Church in York, PA is looking to fill the vacancies for 1. a Praise and Worship Leader, 2. a Choir Director, and 3. a Bell Choir Director. Job descriptions are on the church website (<https://www.asburyyork.org/careers>). Applicants are welcome to apply for one, two or all three positions, as these positions can be held concurrently without a scheduling conflict.

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Area Events

Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 4:00 pm After more than a year of restoration, the 1950 Aeolian-Skinner Op. 1132 built for the Redeemer Church in New Haven, Connecticut has found new life in the Sanctuary at Derry Presbyterian Church, 248 East Derry Road, Hershey. The public is invited to attend the inaugural organ recital presented by Grant Wareham, Director of Music Ministry and Organist, at 4 pm Sunday, October 10 in the sanctuary. Face masks are required. The organ recital will also be live streamed on the Derry Church website, derrypres.org, and on the church's YouTube and Facebook channels. A free will offering will be received. Handicapped parking and an elevator are available. or more information, call the church office at 717-533-9667 or visit derrypres.org.

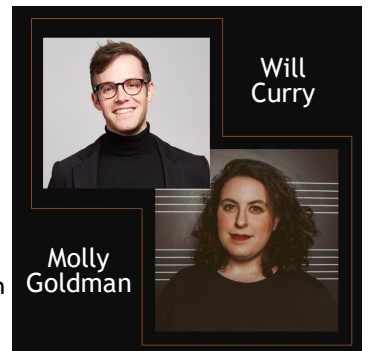


Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. Sixth Street, Lebanon presents a Choral Evensong and Organ Concert by Mark Laubach, Organist and Choirmaster at St. Stephen's Episcopal Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre, PA. Free-will offering.

Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 6:00 pm St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. Sixth St., Lebanon presents a Requiem Mass for Victims of COVID-19 featuring John Rutter's *Requiem* sung by the St. Luke's Festival Choir. Free-will offering.

Friday, November 12, 2021 at 7:30 pm First UMC, 64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey presents violists Will Curry and Molly Goldman in a free concert. Masks are required and a free-will offering will be received. Visit firstumchershery.org or call 717-533-9668 for information.

Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 22 S. Sixth St., Lebanon presents *Adventvesper* featuring Cantata 61 "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland" by J. S. Bach with Con Brio Strings. Free-will offering.



Hershey Handbell Ensemble Christmas Concerts
Friday, December 3, 2021 at 7:30pm at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, 2164 Mt. Zion Road, York, PA. 17406
Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 7:00pm at St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, 140 North Beaver Street, York, PA. 17401
Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 4:00pm at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 10 Delp Road, Lancaster, PA. 17601.
Friday, December 10, 2021 at 7:30pm at St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral, 221 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA. 17101.
Saturday, December 11, 2021 at 7:00pm at Winterstown United Methodist Church, 12184 Winterstown Rd, Felton, PA 17322.
Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 3:00pm at Zion Lutheran Church, 85 East Brandt Boulevard, Landisville, PA 17538

Events listed are those submitted to the editor.
Deadline is the 15th of the month preceding publication.



Saturday | January 15, 2022
at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church



**Featuring David Cherwien, Susan Palo Cherwien,
Renée Anne Louprette, and Eileen Hunt**

The Cherwiens will open the day with a hymn festival and hold a workshop. Ms. Louprette will hold a master class and end the day with a recital. Ms. Hunt will be the lunch time keynote speaker and present a seminar. In addition, a variety of sessions will be hosted by regional clinicians on topics including choral repertoire, basics of organ playing, pipe organ care, and more.

Registration will be available on our website shortly
AGO members \$40, non-members \$60, students \$10. Meals included.

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