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### ANNUAL DINNER 7 June 2007, 6:30 PM

Courtyard by Marriott Hotel/ 2nd Floor 21 North Juniper Street (at City Hall) Center City Philadelphia

nce again, following the last event of Wanamaker Organ Day (a performance by the Philadelphia Organ Quartet), we will be holding our Annual Dinner across the street at the beautiful historic building now housing the Courtyard by Marriott. We will begin our own festivities in the neighborhood of 6:30 with a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. Dinner will follow at 7:30 and will include soup/salad, entrée and dessert. We have managed to reserve the same splendid banquet room as last year. By now you should have already responded to the invitations that have been issued, and we hope you will be there!

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### JUNE 2008

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EAN'S LETTER

elcome to our Crescendo newsletter. This edition is not only for our current members, but for all who have a common interest in the organ and its repertoire.

The American Guild of Organists was first organized in New York City in 1896. In 2007, the A.G.O. has over 20,000 members, who if they are not organists or Aan Morrison

organ builders themselves, share common interest in all things related to the King of Instruments and choral music.

In 1896 the A.G.O. was one undivided body, and in 1902 The Philadelphia Chapter (originally the Pennsylvania Chapter) was organized as the first chapter. Today there are 348 chapters in the USA, Europe, Korea, and even Argentina!

If you are not currently a member, I encourage you to join our ranks. You are not required to play or sing to join this unique organization. You only need to share our enthusiasm. An application for membership is available on our website for download (www.agophila.org). Also, see our calendar of events for our varied program offerings ranging from recitals to workshops. We are most proud of our ongoing collaboration with The Kimmel Center which houses the largest concert hall organ in the country built by Dobson Pipe Organ Builders. Next season's artists are Vincent Dubois, Jane Parker-Smith, and James David Christie. Our visibility has never been better, and now is the time to continue the momentum by supporting and being a part of our efforts. We are also equally enthusiastic about making Wanamaker Organ Day part of our closing event each season.

Our official statement of purpose best describes who we are and what we are about: The Philadelphia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is a professional organization whose varied members are committed to advocacy of the art of the organ through education, professional development, and performance.

You are cordially invited to attend our events whether or not you are a member. But by being a member you receive the national publication, *The American Organist*, and our local newsletter, *Crescendo*. These publications keep you up to date on organ news far and wide including recital listings. I sincerely hope you will join our friendly, enthusiastic Philadelphia Chapter of The American Guild of Organists!

Alan Morrison, Dean

#### CHAPTER EVENTS IN REVIEW



Dame Gillian Weir and David Beatty, Sub-dean of the Philadelphia Chapter AGO, at the Philadelphia Recital

Philadelphia, PA April 12, 2008. Dame Gillian Weir attracted a large crowd at her afternoon recital on the Fred J. Cooper Memorial Organ at the Kimmel Center, home of the Philadelphia Orchestra. This was the final concert in a series of three recitals presented this season on the Dobson organ in Verizon Hall, cosponsored by the Philadelphia Chapter and the Kimmel Center. Dame Gillian's program included works by Franck, Messiaen and selections from Petr Eben's Sunday Music. --Elizabeth Cochran

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## **REGISTRAR'S CORNER**

#### JOE LEWIS, REGISTRA

#### IN MEMORIAM

Regretfully I must report of the passing of one of our members, Mr. Richard M. Duris, on April 16th, 2008. He was a resident of Ambler, PA and had earned a SPC Certificate from the Guild. Donations for memorial scholarships may be sent to the Boyer College of Music and Dance at Temple University. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends at this time.

#### 2008-09 DUES PAYMENTS ARE NOW ACCEPTED

CURRENT MEMBERS: The membership year (2007/2008) will end on June 30th. Please send in your signed personalized membership form as soon as you can to my home address, along with your payment. Kindly update all your database information that appears on the form by crossing out incorrect data and writing in the corrected info nearby. If you know your full 9 digit zip code, please supply it to me if necessary, since the national HQ requests it. We hope that you continue to support us this year with a tax deductible donation as a Chapter Patron. Our past patron contributions have helped us immensely to widen our scope of service and programming, so please consider becoming a Patron. If you haven't received a renewal form, contact me immediately.

NEW MEMBERS: Dues forms for the membership drive for the 2008-2009 year of the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists are being (or may have already been)sent to you in high hopes that you might consider participating in all the wonderful activities, programs and benefits that this chapter provides. Please take a moment to think about becoming a part of our exciting lineup of recitals, workshops and concerts planned for this upcoming membership year which starts July 1, 2008 and goes to June 30, 2009. All membership categories include receiving our local popular newsletter Crescendo, and all but Chapter Friend and Partner receive the wonderful national magazine, The American Organist. We would love to have you join us, so please thoughtfully consider sending in your form today. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me at 610-935-0895 or email me at registrar@agophila.org. Forms may also be downloaded from our website www.agophila.org or you can request one sent to you by "snail mail." Thank you for you attention. I hope to hear from you soon.

#### SUMMER CONTACT

Please keep me informed if your membership plans change, or if you are moving and want to join the AGO chapter in your new location. I wish you all a healthy, restful summer and look forward to seeing you at all our events in 08/09. Be well.

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September 30, 2007 at 4:00pm Installation of Officers/Members Recital featuring Paula Pugh Romanaux and Wesley Parrott St. Peter's Episcopal Church 3rd & Pine Streets, Philadelphia, PA

October 20, 2007 at 3:00pm Todd Wilson, organ recital The Kimmel Center/Verizon Hall Broad and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia, PA

November 16, 2007 at 8:00pm Buxtehude Celebration Martha Johnson, director St. Paul's Lutheran Church Doylestown, PA

January 12, 2008 January Jumpstart from 9:00am - 4:00pm Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church Bryn Mawr, PA

February 16, 2008 at 3:00pm Hector Olivera The Kimmel Center/Verizon Hall

March 7, 2008 at 7:30pm Michael Marissen, Bach Lecture St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Roxborough, PA

April 12, 2008 at 3:00pm Dame Gillian Weir The Kimmel Center/Verizon Hall

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Saturday, June 7, 2008 June Annual Dinner Location: Marriott Courtyard, Philadelphia

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- July 1: Christmas in July: Lisa Lonie, carillon, with Santa Claus 8 pm Steve Schreiber, organ
- July 8: Barefeet, Blankets & Bells: George Matthew, Vermont, carillon
  - 8 pm Crazy Rhythm, Fancy Feet Dancers
- July 15: Celtic Colours on the Green: Laurel MacKenzie, Texas, carillon
- 8 pm Brandywine Celtic Harp Orchestra July 22: Jeremy Chessman, Missouri, carillon
- 8 pm Unsafe at Any Speed Folk Singers July 29: Patrick Mascoska, Michigan, carillon
- 8 pm Tower Tours

Washington Chapel at Valley Forge Route 23 in Valley Forge National Park WEDNESDAYS at 7:30 PM, free-will offering www.washingtonmemorialchapel.org

- July 2: Doug Gefvert, Chapel Carillonneur
- July 9: George Matthew, Jr. Middlebury College and Norwich University
- July 16: Steven Ball, University of Michigan
- July 23: Jeremy Chesman, Missouri State University, Springfield, MO
- July 30: Patrick Macoska, St. Mary's of Redford Catholic Church, Detroit
- Aug 6: Music of the British Isles: Doug Gefvert, Chapel Carillonneur
- 8:30 pm: Irish Thunder Pipes & Drums Swedesburg, PA
- Aug 13: Laurel MacKenzie, Philadelphia, PA
- Aug. 20: Lee Cobb, Bok Tower Gardens, Lake Wales. FL
- Aug. 27: Janet Tebbel, Philadelphia, PA

Princeton University Graduate College The Grover Cleveland Tower, College Avenue, Princeton, NJ 1:00-1:45 PM, Rain or Shine

- June 29: Laurel MacKenzie, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- July 6: George Matthew, Jr., Brandon, Vermont
- July 13: Margaret Pan, Princeton, New Jersey
- July 20: Steven Ball, Chelsea, Michigan
- July 27: Jeremy A. Chesman, Springfield, Missouri
- August 3: Lisa Lonie, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania
- August 10: Thomas Lee, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- August 17: Scott Brink Parry '54, Princeton, New Jersey
- August 24: Edward Lee Cobb, Lake Wales, Florida
- August 31: Claire Halbert, Cambridge, Massachusetts "The Concerts Under the Stars"

# EXCITEMENT BUILDS AS OPENING OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE ORGAN APPROACHES

2008-2009 International Year of the Organ to Be Inaugurated at the AGO National Convention in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn., June 22-26, 2008

More than 200 Organ Spectacular Concerts Worldwide on Sunday, October 19, 2008 Will Celebrate the King of Instruments

NEW YORK CITY-The American Guild of Organists (AGO) has designated 2008-2009 as the International Year of the Organ (IYO) and is partnering with organizations worldwide to celebrate the King of Instruments. The celebration will commence with the AGO National Convention in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn., June 22-26, 2008, and will conclude with the AGO Regional Conventions in the summer of 2009. Major support for the International Year of the Organ is provided by Platinum level sponsor Kuhn Orgelbau; Gold level sponsors Reuter Organ Co., Rodgers Instruments, and Walker Technical Co.; and Silver level sponsor Schantz Organ Co.

More than two hundred Organ Spectacular (OS) concerts are planned on Sunday, October 19, 2008. The award winning Ornament of Grace by Bernard Sanders for organ and C instrument, and Stephen Paulus' Blithely Breezing Along for organ, commissioned by David and Cindy Vogels, will be featured works on Organ Spectacular concerts. These concerts will be presented by the AGO local chapters throughout the U.S. and abroad, as well as by partner organizations including: American Public Media's Pipedreams, the American Theater Organ Society, Organ Historical Society, and Royal Canadian College of Organists. Separately, the governors of Michigan, Montana, Nebraska and Wisconsin have each issued official proclamations declaring that their states will be honoring the organ during this IYO celebratory year.

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on the AGO Web site. This official list of IYO/OS activities will be constantly updated and will be published in the October issue of The American Organist Magazine.

AGO chapters, independent concert organizers, organ builders, academicians, and others hosting IYO/OS events are invited to adapt for their own use any of the one dozen IYO/OS logo designs available for downloading from the AGO's Web site.

To provide further support for the IYO and OS, the AGO is developing a comprehensive Media Relations Handbook specially designed for AGO Chapters. The Handbook is being produced in cooperation with the Phelps Group, an award-winning international public relations firm. The publication will be available at the IYO/OS booth at the 2008 AGO National Convention and will be discussed in depth during a convention workshop sponsored by the AGO Committee on Professional Networking and Public Relations. The text and model forms will also be available online at the AGO's Web site.

Complete information regarding the International Year of the Organ and Organ Spectacular is available online at www.agohq.org/os. For information about corporate sponsorships, please contact AGO Executive Director James Thomashower, 212-870-2311 (ext. 4300) or e-mail jet@agohq.org. For general information and inquiries about program listings, please contact IYO/OS Project Coordinator Harold Calhoun, 212-870-2311 (ext. 4318) or e-mail os@agohq.org.

# ANNOUNCING AUDITIONS FOR THE SECOND ANNUAL LYNNWOOD FARNAM SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

The scholarship provides the winner with a full year's tuition for organ lessons with Diane Meredith Belcher, esteemed American concert organist, teacher, and church musician. The program is named after the famous Canadian organist (1885-1930) who emigrated to the United States, and became the first professor of organ at The Curtis Institute of Music. It was begun in honor of, and grateful thanksgiving for David Spicer, Minister of Music at First Church, Wethersfield, Connecticut, who offered Ms. Belcher her first organ lessons free of charge.

The scholarship is completely based on merit and talent, and therefore has no age restriction or prerequisites. Applicants audition on organ or piano, and perform 15-20 minutes of music in varying styles. The quality of preparation and performance is considered more strongly than the difficulty level of the repertoire. The musical skills and aptitude of the performer are also tested at the audition (no preparation necessary.)

Auditions for the 2008-2009 year will take place between June 1 and July 31, 2008.

For further information and to schedule an audition, please contact:

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#### AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS CODE OF ETHICS

Approved by National Council November 15, 1999, and updated April 23, 2001

**Preamble**: The purpose of the American Guild of Organists 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. Voting members are entitled to enjoy the privileges and are expected to accept the responsibilities of membership in the Guild. Members shall be considered equally for Guild offices and participation in Guild activities. These are the rules that shall be considered binding upon all voting members in good standing.

RULE 1. Members shall promote good working relationships within the American Guild of Organists and shall respect the employment of colleagues. Members shall address differences between themselves and other members by following the procedures outlined in the Discipline.

RULE 2. Members shall not seek or appear to be seeking employment for themselves, a student or a colleague, in a position held by someone else. Members shall apply for employment only for a position which the employer, with the knowledge of the incumbent musician, has officially and publicly declared vacant by announcement of the vacancy.

RULE 3. In cases pending under the Procedures or in cases where the National Council has determined that a position has been made vacant by wrongful termination of a member of the American Guild of Organists, members shall not seek or accept regular or permanent employment for themselves, a student or colleague at that Institution until the National Council is satisfied that differences between the Guild and the Institution have been resolved.

RULE 4. Before accepting an engagement for a wedding, funeral, or other service, members shall obtain the approval of the incumbent musician. In cases where this engagement has been requested by a third party, it is appropriate for the third party to offer the incumbent his/ her customary fee. It is the responsibility of members to inform the third party of this rule.

RULE 5. Members shall conduct professional activities with truthfulness, honesty and integrity, and shall maintain sensitivity in matters of a personal or confidential nature.

RULE 6. Members shall not discriminate against others on the basis of race, national origin, age, religious affiliation, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, or medical condition (including, but not limited to Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

# POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Allen Popjoy, Coordinator

610-269-7069 email: allen.popjoy@agophila.org

#### **MUSIC DIRECTOR**

Reformed Church of Willow Grove 1500 North Hills Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090 (215) 659-5207

Part time choir director wanted for a small active congregation. Responsibilities include directing Adult and Youth Choirs and planning and coordinating all aspects of music program of the church. The position requires someone who is experienced in directing church choirs. Salary is negotiable. Position available immediately. Contact the church office between 9:00 a.m. and noon on weekdays if interested.

#### **MINISTER OF WORSHIP**

Zion Mennonite Church 149 Cherry Lane, Souderton, PA 18964 215-723-3592

Zion Mennonite Church in Souderton, PA is seeking a dynamic musician, conductor, and song leader to continue an excellent worship tradition and take it to a new level. Job responsibilities will include: 1) oversight of the music program-- leading music in a blended worship service, directing choir(s), coordinating special congregational and community musical programs; 2) participating in worship planning; 3) Utilizing musical talents and gifts of membership in congregational life.

Qualifications: a personal/experiential/growing faith commitment to Christ and servant leadership; Bachelor's or Master's degree in church music, ministry or related field; appreciation of traditional and contemporary music styles; ability to lead and oversee choral/congregational music; general organizational abilities.

Zion is located in southeastern PA approximately 30 miles north of Philadelphia. The congregation has an average weekly attendance of approximately 295, and music plays a significant role in the mission and ministry of the congregation.

Interested candidates contact Pastor Hunter Hess - 215-723-3592 during the day or 215-257-1115 evenings. Or E-mail hunter@zionmennonite.org

### **ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR**

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church 1500 Glen Avenue, Folcroft, PA 19032-1021 610-583-4977

St. John's is seeking a church musician to provide musical leadership to enhance our worship experience.

- Play the organ or electric piano for all services throughout the church year (one Sunday morning service, mid-week Lenten services and other festival services throughout the year)
- Select and prepare preludes, offertories and postludes appropriate to the day/liturgical season

- Plan, in consultation with the pastor and worship and music committee, special services (i.e. Thanksgiving, Good Friday, weddings, funerals etc).
- Select anthems for and direct the choir.
- Approximately 6 to 10 hours per week (Sunday morning along with evening choir rehearsal during the week).

For more information, contact Pastor Cindy Ray at St. John's at 610-583-4977 or email her at stjohns1500@verizon.net

#### **PRINCIPAL ORGANIST**

St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh Bethlehem Pike and Camp Hill Road P.O. Box 247, Fort Washington, PA 19034 Phone (215)233-3970; Fax (215)233-2893 Email: info@stthomaswhitemarsh.org www.stthomaswhitemarsh.org

St Thomas' Episcopal Church seeks a musician with a Bachelor Degree or equivalent, with major or concentration in organ, to fill the part-time position of Principal Organist. Qualified current students will also be considered. The Principal Organist will work with the Minister of Music to provide musical leadership for the parish.

The primary organ is a 3-manual, 55-rank Casavant organ built in 1964. The second is a 4-rank mechanical action portativ organ built by Casavant in 1978.

The Principal Organist will be responsible for:

- preparing music and playing for: regular Sunday morning services (currently one), occasional Sunday evening worship, and for other liturgical services during Lent, Holy Week, Easter and Advent/Christmas as needed
- accompanying choir rehearsals (one weekday rehearsal)
- playing for weddings and funerals
- meeting with the Minister of Music to plan liturgies
- maintaining the church's keyboard instruments along with the Minister of Music

Candidates should possess:

- Good liturgical knowledge; previous Anglican liturgical experience a plus but not required
- A repertoire that includes standard, traditional music as well as the ability to play music of various styles and cultures
- Strong and nuanced hymn-playing and accompanying
- Desire and ability to work collegially with the Minister of Music and other church staff

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- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- A desire to work as an integral part of the worshipping community

Send resumé, including three references, and CD to the church at the above address and mark it Attn: Organist Search; E-mail questions to: cdedakis@stthomaswhitemarsh.org

#### **ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR**

Marshallton Ünited Methodist Church 1282 W. Strasburg Road, West Chester, PA 19382 610-696-7800

Marshallton United Methodist Church (located minutes from West Chester University) is seeking a part-time organist and choir director (10 hours per week.). The worship style is traditional.

Contact: James L. DeBoy, c/o Marshallton United Methodist Church, 1282 W. Strasburg Road, West Chester, PA 19382.

Church Phone: 610-696-5247 (ask for Phyllis), FAX: 610-696-7800, e-mail: office@marshalltonchurch.org

#### **MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST**

St. Michael Lutheran Church 109 East Doe Run Road, Unionville, PA 19375 610-347-1696

St. Michael Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Unionville, PA, is seeking a person(s) to serve as Music Director/Organist and to lead a variety of music programs; must have strong communication and interpersonal skills. Currently the church has two adult choirs, one elementary-age children's choir, and one adult handbell choir. The congregation is interested in creatively expanding its music ministry.

The organ is a Rodgers 950. In addition, the church owns two pianos (including a Yamaha C5 grand), a five-octave set of handbells, and several Orff instruments.

Located in Southern Chester County, St. Michael is a growing congregation of 220 family units. The average Sunday attendance for two services is 265. The sanctuary, built in 1997, seats 250.

For further information, call the church office at 610-347-1696 or visit our web site at www.St-Michael-Lutheran.org. Interested candidates are urged to submit their resume to:

#### Music Director Search Committee

Attn: Janet Weber, Search Committee Chair:

- by mail to P.O. Box 178, Unionville, PA, 19375-0178,
- via fax 610-347-0148; or
- via email to saintmichaellc@verizon.net.

#### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Frieden's United Church of Christ P.O. Box 268, 1011 Church Road, Sumneytown, PA 18084 215-234-4941 friedensucc@netzero.net

Small but active country church is seeking an organist who may also assume the role of Director of Music, if desired. An organist would be responsible for one Sunday service per week plus additional liturgical services (Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, etc.), and would serve as accompanist for one adult choir rehearsal per week. Four paid vacation days. Director of Music responsibilities would include adult choir, youth choir, and 3-octave handbell choir. Our 2-manual Moller pipe organ was recently refurbished.

Minimum Starting Salary (adjusted for experience): \$7,000 (Organist)/ \$11,000 (Director of Music)

#### **ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR**

The United Church of Christ East Goshen 1201 N. Chester Road, West Chester, PA 19380

The Organist/Choir Director of the United Church of Christ East Goshen should be a musician who motivates the Choirs to achieve their potential. He or she should have proficiency on the piano and organ to adequately present all the variety of music used in worship, from solos to hymn accompaniment. He or she should possess a practical knowledge of harmony, counterpoint, form, transposition, score reading and musicology. He or she should work well with groups of people and possess an understanding of Christian tradition and worship.

The Organist/Choir Director will be the primary person responsible for the following:

- Prepare and lead music in worship at each Sunday service (10:00 am.) and at special services (such as these during Lent and Advent) as they are scheduled.
- Conduct weekly Adult Choir rehearsals from September through mid-June. Rehearse and direct choir on Sundays for same months.
- Conduct Childrens/Youth Choir rehearsals as needed for six anthems per year. Accompaniment and support roles are negotiable.
- Meet regularly with the pastor to coordinate music for the worship services.
- Meet regularly with the Music and Worship Committee to plan broader issues related to church music. The Organist/Choir director will serve as an Ex-Officio member of the Music and Worship Committee.
- Determine the budget for the music program and submit it to Council yearly.
- Consult with persons planning special programs involving music.
- Maintain and expand Choir repertoire, including the filing system.
- Rehearse and develop his/her own skills and attend workshops sponsored by professional organizations, denominations or other institutions related to the profession.

Part-time position requiring 8-10 hours per week. Willing to divide the positions of organist and choir director if necessary. Choir presently rehearses on



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Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM. Audio tape with resume is welcome and helpful, but not required.

Resumés may be mailed to UCC East Goshen, 1201 North Chester Rd., West Chester, PA 19380, faxed to 610.692.7951 or e-mailed (MS Word or Wordpad) to music@ucceastgoshen.org

#### **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church 107 W. Lincoln Avenue, Telford, PA 18969 www. stpaulstelford.org

St. Paul's is seeking a church musician to oversee all aspects of the music program as it pertains to worship.

- Play the organ (22-rank newly renovated pipe organ) for all services throughout the church year (two Sunday morning services, mid-week Lenten services, and other festival services throughout the year.)
- Select and prepare preludes, offertories, and postludes appropriate to the day/liturgical season.
- Provide accompaniments for choirs as needed at rehearsals and services.
- Plan, in consultation with pastor(s), special services such as Thanksgiving, Good Friday, cluster, funerals, weddings, etc.
- Select anthems for and direct four choirs (primary, junior, youth, and adult). Adult choir sings weekly September June. Children's choirs rehearse weekly and sing in church periodically October May.
- Strong people skills, vocal training, and keyboard (organ and piano) skills are a must.
- Hours: approximately 20/week. Compensation: \$20,000

Contact The Rev. David B. Christensen 215-723-8981 or pastor@stpaulstelford.org

#### **ORGANIST/DIRECTOR**

St. John's Episcopal Church 76 Market Street, Salem, NJ 08079 (856) 935-1798

St. John's Episcopal Church in Salem, New Jersey is seeking an Organist/Director with a strong liturgical background and a degree in organ/church music. Small choir includes a paid quartet and rehearses at 9 am on Sunday, prior to the 10:30 a.m Rite II service. Handbell choir rehearsal during the week for dedicated group. 4-1/2 octaves of Malmark Handbells plus 3 octaves choir chimes. III/27 Kimball/Jacob Gerger & Sons pipe organ a joy to play. Salary based on training and experience, commensurate with AGO guidelines. Send resume to Senior Warden, St. John's Episcopal Church, 76 Market Street, Salem, NJ or FAX to the parish office at 856-935-5366.

#### **ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR**

Emmanuel Episcopal Church 8201 Frankford Avenue, Phila., PA, 19136 Pipe organ. One Sunday worship service per week and one evening rehearsal per week. Small adult choir only. Small, growing, friendly congregation. Salary negotiable. Position available now. Contact Peter van der

#### **ORGANIST/PIANIST**

Cochranville United Methodist Church P.O. Box 417 • Cochranville, PA 19330

Spek at 215-357-5107 for more information.

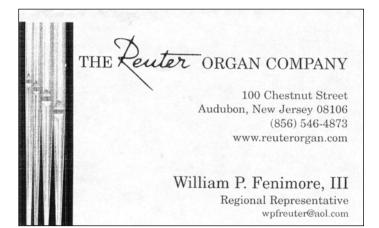
Organist/Pianist needed for Sunday worship service with possibility of position expanding. For further information, call Mary McKee at 610-593-6222. Send resumé to Cochranville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 417, Cochranville, PA 19330. Resumé may also be faxed to 610-593-6222 or emailed to cumc1@zoominternet.net.

### ORGANIST

Nantmeal United Methodist Church 359 Nantmeal Road, Glenmoore, PA 19343

One Sunday service, no choir. Pipe organ. Contact church office at 610-469-8655

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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Rev. Bruce Thorsen chaplain@agophila.org

aster was early this year, the earliest it will be in our life time, but nonetheless, we ran into spring and its activities. Another transition, spring into summer, and the cycle continues. So often it can seem like a treadmill or a merry-go-round.

It is important to stop and to take stock of how we are feeling about our life, our vocations, our relationships, etc. What are we thankful for? What makes sense? What doesn't make sense? How have we grown? How haven't we grown? The busier we are, the more we put off asking these questions.

As we get older, we began to realize how short life is. It is important to find joy in life and to pass it on to those we work with. When we are in the path God wants us to be in, we will find joy and fulfillment.

I encourage all of us to take some quiet time this summer to reflect on what we have done, what we have accomplished in our work and for ourselves. It is important for us to affirm that we are where God wants us to be. If we are where God wants us to be, our reflection will bring us fulfillment.

I encourage all of us to play this summer. I mean to let your hair down and to relax. Think of someone you haven't spoken with for awhile, and set a goal to spend time with them. Think of something you haven't done in a while and do it.

All of us need a break to refresh and to renew. If you need permission to do it, you have mine, but give it to yourself. Reflect and have fun this summer.

Chaplain Bruce

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## TUESDAY NOON RECITALS

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HOST ORGANIST: Clair Rozier

#### **RECITALISTS:**

- June 3 : Robert Gallagher, church's assoc. organist/director 10: Clair Rozier, host organist/ director
  - 17: Wesley Parrott (St. Mary's at the Cathedral, Andorra, PA)
  - 24: Gary Garletts (Ardmore Presbyterian)

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