

# The Prelude

December 2009



## MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

DEAR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES,

*"The word became flesh and dwelt among us,  
full of grace and truth;  
we have beheld his glory."*

John 1:4

The Christmas miracle, indeed, the Christian miracle, is most wondrously set out in a text based on Isaiah which Anton Bruckner has made known to us by means of the moving music with which he has interpreted it:

*"The rod of Jesse hath blossomed:  
The Virgin hath brought forth God and man;  
Peace hath God restored to us,  
In Himself reconciling the lowest  
with the highest. Alleluia!"*  
("Virga Jesse Floriut")

This is the gospel in one true sense. But, I'll save that for a sermon at a later date.

May I simply take this moment to extend to each of you a sincere and heartfelt message of hope and peace and joy. And love. I pray this message may be a part of your living and working throughout this Christmastide.

I call your attention to the information in this newsletter about our meeting at Paul Marion's church - St. Michaels in the Hills Episcopal - set for Sunday, January 31 at 4 p.m. featuring Trudy Faber. Our Board has been wanting to bring Professor Faber to our area for some time now. The program looks to be enticing!



I am also excited to announce that we have been invited to an informal get together at the home of Susan and Sandy Craig - on Scottwood Avenue in the Old West End. The date is Tuesday, January 19, 2010, beginning about 7:30 p.m. (This will be just 2 days before a birthday for Sandy.) We have fond memories of the last time we were all guests in their home. This will be a chance for simply fellowshiping, relaxing among good friends. There will be refreshments. And, we might enjoy 'keyboard capers' in the basement piano studio. Sandy reports that there are two grand pianos and two electronic keyboards. More about this 'Epiphany' gathering in the next newsletter.

A word of Congratulations to the Detroit Chapter, AGO as they embark on a year of celebrating their one hundredth anniversary!

Merry Christmas!

### IN HARMONY.

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AGO members with T. Ernest Nichols

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**BACH AND THE DANCE**

*Did Bach dance? Perhaps.*

*But more importantly, does his music when performed? Understanding Baroque dances and recognizing how Bach used the rhythms, accents, and styles of these dances can effectively resolve questions about tempo, articulation, and pulse and therefore make possible a more vibrant and stylistic performance.*

Please join members of the American Guild of Organists Toledo Chapter for a presentation on "Bach and the Dance" by Professor Trudy Faber of Wittenberg University (Springfield, Ohio).

**Sunday, January 31 at 4:00 p.m.  
St. Michael's in the Hills Episcopal Church  
4718 Brittany Rd., Ottawa Hills, OH**

In this lecture/demonstration, Professor Faber will perform a variety of pieces by J.S. Bach and draw connections between the actual Baroque dance forms, the stylized movements of the Baroque dance suites, and Bach's sacred organ music, finding dance elements in his chorale preludes, trio sonatas, and prelude/fugue pairings. Participants will have a chance to learn a dance, the Allemande, to get the feel of what is being discussed. A repertoire list is included here, for anyone who wishes to bring scores and follow along.

This event is not just for keyboard players, but will be of interest to anyone who enjoys Baroque music, particularly the works of J.S. Bach. Professor Faber is a consummate performer who has "lived inside" this repertoire for many years and plays it with true understanding and flair.

**DANCE AND THE MUSIC OF J. S. Bach  
Pieces Used for Demonstration****Harpsichord**

French Suite No. V in G Major, BWV 816  
Allemande, Courante, Sarabande, Gigue  
Invention No. I in C Major, BWV 772

**Organ**

- Pastorale in F Major, BWV 590  
*Allemande, Sarabande, Gigue*
1. Fugue in G Minor, BWV 578
  2. Jesu, meine Freude, BWV 610 - *Orgelbüchlein*
  3. Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam,  
BWV 684 - *Klavierübung III*
  4. Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr, BWV 664  
*Leipzig Chorale Preludes*
  5. Prelude and Fugue in C Major, BWV 547
  6. In dulci jubilo, BWV 608 - *Orgelbüchlein*
  7. Trio Sonata No. 5 in C Major, BWV 529 - *Largo*
  8. Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654  
*Leipzig Chorale Preludes*
  9. Jesus Christus, unser Heiland, BWV 666  
*Leipzig Chorale Preludes*
  10. Dies sind die heil'gen zehen Gebot,  
BWV 678 - *Klavierübung III*



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-Learn about the organ restoration at Augsburg  
-Try a favorite piece on the organ (bring music!)  
-Learn how a pipe organ works  
-Share a pizza lunch





## CONTACT INFORMATION

*You are invited to an Epiphany Gathering  
at the home of Susan and Sandy Craig*

2265 Scottwood Avenue  
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Tuesday, January 19, 2010  
7:30-9:30



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*Thank You* to Lyle Hecklinger who assisted  
Sr. Mary Ellen in filing the  
required tax reports for the  
Chapter. In addition to being a  
CPA, Lyle also has his Doctorate in Music/Organ!  
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### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership is open to all interested in the organ. To become a member of the Toledo Chapter, contact Kathy Dennis at: kldennis926@gmail.com

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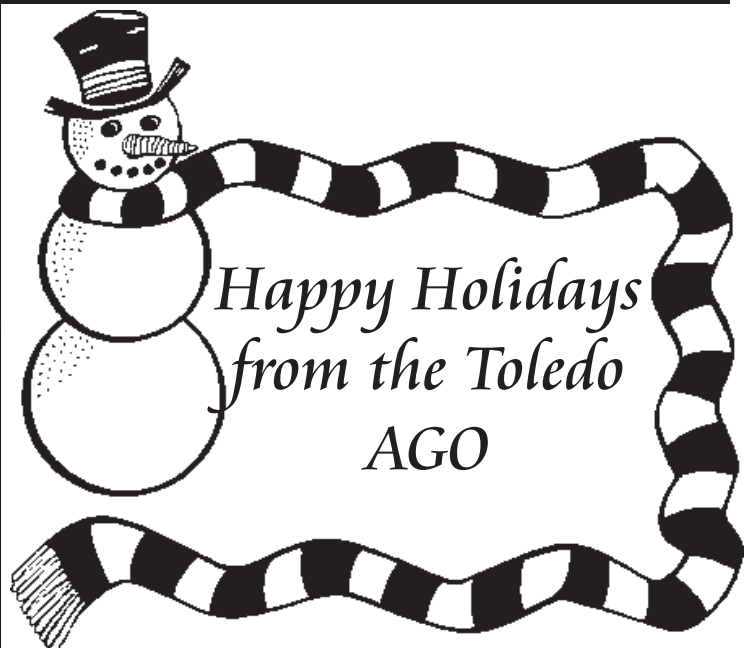
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Thank you for your cooperation!!!

### HELP NEEDED



Pam Davis will need help again with our Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza event. If you can be there to help and/or bring food/drinks to go with our pizza please contact her at 419-472-1003 or [music@commofchrist.org](mailto:music@commofchrist.org).



# RANDOM PIPINGS

**Yamaha Newtone electric organ for FREE!** Contact Robin Kamlani. She will even pay for its delivery! It is 28 years old and in very good condition. She can be reached at 419-867-8948. She just wants the organ to have a good home. Anyone interested should phone her for more details.

The next **Carlene Neihart International Pipe Organ Competition** will be held on April 10, 2010, in Kansas City, Missouri at the Second Presbyterian Church. Contestants from various places in the United States and in other countries are expected to enter the competition. Quimby Pipe Organs, Inc, will underwrite the 1<sup>st</sup> place award (\$2500) and the second place award (\$1500) is sponsored by Casavant Freres and Caroll Hanson. The third place award is \$1000. The web site [organcompetitions.com](http://organcompetitions.com) has more information about the competition.

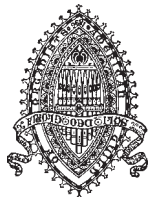


*Melissa Flowers, Garrett Law, Allison Barrick, Grant Wohl  
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