TOLEDO CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

# The Prelude



**APRIL 2013** 

## From the Dean

Dear friends,

It's the Thursday before Holy Week. The next several days will be a flurry of activity as we practice our preludes, rehearse our choirs, and prepare for liturgies that are both solemn and glorious. I hope you will find your work fulfilling and uplifting.

On the other side of Easter we have just a few events remaining in our AGO 2012-13 calendar.

The first of these is our Student Recital at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 14. Michael Gartz is hosting us at Trinity Episcopal Church in downtown Toledo. Five students are playing: Melissa Flowers, Garrett Law and Sarah Tobe (all former scholarship winners), Dennis Johns, and Stephen Smith. This event is a real highlight for our students; they spend a great deal of time and effort preparing to play. Please make this a priority in your schedule, and come out to hear and support them. Free parking is available on the street.

Also in connection with the student recital: Pam Davis, scholarship and education coordinator, has put out the call for cookies and punch, help with serving the reception, and ushers. Please get in touch with her right away; we like to make this event very special for our students and their friends and families!

The Capital City Organ Excursion is on for Friday, April 19th. We did not get a large number of responses,



so we won't be taking the big bus. Neil Kraft will be renting and driving a 15-passenger van. There are just a few seats left, so call or email Neil right away if you want to be included! With this change in transportation, the price is now \$15/person for the van, plus your lunch at Schmidt's.

The Columbus trip includes opportunities to play some magnificent organs! All participants should bring something to play, along with (of course!) your organ shoes!

The last big event of our program year is the annual banquet, which will be held on Friday, May 17 at Highland Meadows Golf Club in Sylvania. The entertainment will be a screening of the video "Pulling Out All the Stops." Please mark your calendars for this evening of good fellowship and good food. I hope to see many of you there!

- Joan McConnell
Dean of Toledo AGO

# Student Organ Recital

Featuring Past Scholarship Winners Melissa Flowers, Sara Tobe, Garrett Law

and Area University Organ Students
Dennis Johns, and Stephen Smith

Sunday, April 14, 2013 3:00 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church

One Trinity Plaza, downtown Toledo (free parking on the street)

A Freewill Offering will be collected to benefit the Organ Study Scholarship Program

# CAPITAL CITY ORGAN EXCURSION

#### **Friday, April 19, 2013**

Departing Levis Commons at 8:00 a.m.

Our April program will consist of a pipe organ tour of Columbus. We will visit three pipe organs installed within the past decade. And, if time permits we may also visit an infamous church containing two landmark instruments under the same roof! We will break for lunch at the notorious Schmidt's Restaurant in German Village.

#### Organs include:

2007 Bedient at St. Agatha's Church Upper Arlington

2010 Buzard at King Avenue
United Methodist Church

2008 Fritts at St. Joseph Cathedral

1930's Kimball and 1972 von Beckerath at 1st Congregational\*
(\* optional, time permitting)

We'll be going by van, and a very few seats remain! Cost is \$15/person, plus your lunch at Schmidt's. Anyone interested should contact Neil Kraft ASAP!

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## PLEASE HELP!

Please join us **Sunday, April 14** at 3 p.m. to hear our chapter's student organists performing works by Dupre, Langlais, Bruhns, Franck, and Barber. The student recital is at Trinity Episcopal Church, One Trinity Plaza in Toledo. There is free parking on the street.

To date only one person has volunteered to help with the reception. We need your help! Please contact Pam Davis at 419-472-1003 or <a href="mailto:music@commofchrist.org">music@commofchrist.org</a>.

# TOLEDO CHAPTER PROGRAM

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#### MARCH/APRIL:

TOLEDO CHAPTER STUDENT AND SCHOLARSHIP RECITAL Sunday, April 14, 3:00 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church 316 Adams St., 1 Trinity Plaza, Toledo, OH 43604

#### APRIL:

## CAPITAL CITY ORGAN EXCURSION Friday, April 19

An all-day bus tour to Columbus, Ohio, to see, hear and play three magnificent organs. Lunch together in German Village. Complete information in this edition!

#### MAY:

## ANNUAL AGO/TOLEDO BANQUET Friday, May 17

Highland Meadows Golf Club 7455 Erie St., Sylvania, OH 43560 Join us for food, fellowship, and a movie: "Pulling Out All the Stops"



## ORGAN STUDY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Each October the Toledo Chapter of the American Guild of Organists holds scholarship auditions for Adults and 7th-12th grade students wanting to study the organ.

Participants play two prepared pieces of contrasting styles, one prepared hymn, and one hymn to sight read. Those auditioning for the first time may play their audition on the piano.

Participating Organ Instructors are members of the Toledo Chapter AGO. If you are interested in the auditions please contact Pam Davis at Community of Christ Lutheran Church, music@commofchrist.org or 419-877-0607

#### PAUL MARION, 1922-2013

Quoting from Paul's obituary in the Toledo Blade, "He was a musician's musician," his daughter said. Indeed that is what he was to all of us in the Toledo Chapter AGO where he served as Dean from 1965 to 1967.

Those of us fortunate enough to attend the Requiem Eucharist in Thanksgiving for the Life of Paul Marion at St. Michael's in the Hills were blessed to enjoy his choices of music and scripture for this beautiful Service. Dr. Lyle Hecklinger, organist, began with two J. S. Bach Chorale Preludes, *In dir ist Freude* and *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* and the Jean Langlais *Chant de para*. The majestic hymn, "Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven" set the tone of praise that had been Paul's life as a church musician. Isaiah 61:1-3 read by Donna Tozer Wipfli spoke of "the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit", the goal to which Paul aspired. Reflecting Paul's love of languages, his son-in-law, Fred Amrine, recited Psalm 121 in mellifluous original Hebrew. As though ministering to all of us who mourn his death, Paul chose II Corinthians 4:16—5:9 read by Rev. William Jones.

Dr. Paul Haebig, Organist-Choirmaster of St. Michael's, directed the choir which included members of Masterworks Chorale and numbered about 40. *Ubi Caritas* by Maurice Duruflé was their first offering, from the ancient chant that Paul considered the heart of the Gospel according to what Rev. Margaret Holt Sammons shared in her Homily. She also spoke of Paul being a faithful shepherd to his red robed flock, of his vision of music being an integral part of St. Michael's. She said scripture was a kind of music to him and when he retired from the organ bench he took up reading from the lectern. She fondly remembered his last reading on Transfiguration Sunday when he used all the possible translations for the word "dwelling". She closed with a new take on an old saying "You can take it with you" because she is certain that Paul is making music in heaven that will never end.

Paul and his dear wife of 68 years, Kay, were and are proud of their two children. Margo gave us two surprise bits: how Paul was a meticulous gift wrapper then lovingly remembering his many gifts, and how he was such an efficient luggage packer enjoying travel. Now he was on that final journey. Marc insisted that his father was not a perfectionist, rather he was a man in pursuit of excellence and always a "cheerful giver".

Other musical gems were *How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place* by Brahms, *Pie Jesu* by Gabriel Fauré sung by Joan Layne, and *O sacrum convivium!* by Messiaen. After the parting hymn, "For All the Saints", the Bach *Prelude and Fugue in E-Flat Major* brought the Service full circle.

Rest in peace, dear Paul. Even in death you have ministered to us.

-humbly submitted by Anne Doerfler

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#### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership is open to all interested in the organ. To become a member of the Toledo Chapter, contact Anne Doerfler at <a href="mailto:ad7440@sbcglobal.net">ad7440@sbcglobal.net</a>

#### NEWSLETTER & E-MAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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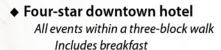
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## Ohio Hymn Festival to Benefit the Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival Scholarship Fund

Sunday, April 14, 2013 at 4 p.m.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2001 Northwest Blvd., Upper Arlington, Ohio

(Minneapolis, MN)... Faculty and alumni musicians from the nationally-renowned Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival (LSM) will join Columbus-area musicians for a public hymn festival, to be held on Sunday, April 14, 2013 at 4 p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Upper Arlington, OH as part of the popular "Concerts at Holy Trinity" music series. The event, entitled "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation," will raise funds for the LSM Scholarship Fund through a free-will offering. LSM is a four-week summer training and performance program for talented high school musicians from throughout the U.S. and abroad.

Music will be led by two of LSM's longtime and esteemed faculty members. Dr. Zebulon Highben, assistant professor of music at Muskingum University in New Concord, OH, and the Paul Bouman Chapel Choir Conductor at LSM, will serve as music director and choir conductor for the event. The Muskingum Chamber Singers will be joined by choir members from Holy Trinity Church and LSM alumni to comprise the festival choir. Dr. Catherine Rodland, organ faculty at St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN, will serve as the festival's organist. Rodland is the Regina Holmen Fryxell and Patricia Schad Leege Organist at LSM. Additional instrumental music for the festival will be provided by LSM alumni living in the Greater Columbus area. Music Director for Holy Trinity is Josh Brodbeck.

Regional residents of all faith backgrounds are invited to attend and participate in this worship event, which will feature musical anthems, congregational singing, and reflections by Rev. Steve Wachtman, pastor at Holy Trinity.

The program's title, "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation," is based on the LSM 2012 worship theme and reflects the many ways in which we are joined together in Christ, our rock and cornerstone. Hymn festivals are a wonderful opportunity for people who love music and

singing to come together for a service that lifts up hymnody, choral anthems, and organ music. Given the strong musical heritage of the Lutheran church, hymn festivals are a particularly unique expression of this faith tradition. Hymn festivals also embody Lutheran Music Program's mission to transform lives and connect people through faith and music.

#### Hymn Festival: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

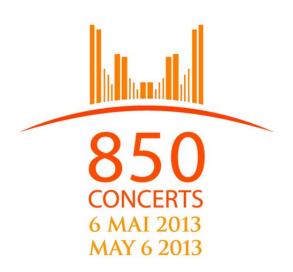
Sunday, April 14, 2013
4 p.m. with reception to follow
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
2001 Northwest Boulevard, Upper Arlington, Ohio 43212
Directions are available at <a href="www.holytrinitylutheran.info">www.holytrinitylutheran.info</a>. This event is free and open to the public. All are welcome. A free will offering will be taken to benefit the Lutheran Summer Music

#### **About Lutheran Music Program**

Scholarship Fund.

Founded in 1981, Lutheran Music Program offers training and performance opportunities for musicians and music appreciators through a variety of programs and services. Lutheran Music Program fulfills its mission to transform lives and connect people through faith and music through its primary program, the Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival (LSM), and a variety of other offerings throughout the U.S. LSM brings together talented young musicians from across the country for a month-long musical immersion and actively trains the next generation of musicians for the church. The 32<sup>nd</sup> LSM will take place from June 23 to July 21, 2013 on the campus of Luther College in Decorah, IA. Proceeds from this hymn festival will go toward the 2013 LSM Scholarship Fund, which will provide more than \$140,000 in merit- and need-based assistance to students, including the four students already registered from Ohio. The national offices of Lutheran Music Program are located in Minneapolis, MN. Learn more at www.lutheranmusicprogram.org.

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# World Organ Day celebrating the 850th Anniversary of Notre Dame Cathedral of Paris

Sacred music has been an integral part of the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris since its construction and pipe organs were present from the beginning. In 1401, a Grand Organ was installed in the gallery that has become, after restorations and reconstructions over the centuries, one of the most famous organs in the world. To pay tribute to the great tradition of the organ and the organists of Notre Dame, World

Organ Day will be celebrated on May 6, 2013.

This global event will consist of 850 concerts that will include compositions by the great organists of Notre Dame and performed in places of worship and concert halls spanning five continents. Given the different time zones, the concerts will occur over the course of twenty-four hours! This event has been coordinated by the Association Notre-Dame de Paris 2013.

## **World Organ Day Concert**

Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral 2535 Collingwood Blvd. Toledo, Ohio

> Monday, May 6, 2013 7:30 PM

Paul Monachino, organist

Works by Notre Dame organists Louis-Claude Daquin, Guillaume-Antoine Calvière, and Louis Vierne

. . . the international musical event of 2013!



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Baldwin Fantasia Organ w/Bench. 25 foot pedals, 2 keyboards, stops. Very Good Condition-\$1000 (OBO). Buyer will need to pick up. 419-721-1908.



#### **PIANO FOR SALE**

Upright, Cable-Nelson Piano w/Bench. Excellent Condition-\$600 (OBO). Buyer will need to pick up. 419-721-1908.

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Part-time position at Glenwood Lutheran Church, 2545 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio 43620 (419)255-0886. Responsibilities include leading the choir in worship on a weekly/bi-weekly basis, rehearsals, vocal training for choir members, provide challenging opportunities for choir members, work with pastor and organist and maintain music library. Approximately ten hours a week. For more information contact the church at the above number. Pay is based on experience: \$7,000-12,000.





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