



The Prelude

May 2022

Chapter Banquet
Friday, May 13 - 6:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church
2330 S. Main St. Findlay, Ohio

Join with Chapter members as we conclude the program year. The evening will include a presentation by David Beck about the newly refurbished Aeolian-Skinner organ at First Presbyterian Church and some organ selections by Clint Miller. Then there will be open console time. Bring your organ shoes and music if you wish to play!

Dinner Menu: Lasagna, Salad, Rolls, Cheesecake

Tea/coffee/water

Linguine Marinara is *vegetarian* option and a full dinner salad is a *gluten free* option. Please indicate if you wish to select one of these options.

\$12/person

(payment - cash or check - will be collected at the dinner on May 13)

RSVP by Wednesday, May 4

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CARPOOL

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- If you would like to offer space in your vehicle, include your name, phone number and the number of passengers you can accommodate.
- If you would like to ride with someone, send your name and phone number.
- We will connect drivers and riders so they can make travel plans.

Toledo AGO Scholarship Winner to be Featured Performer

Skyelar Raiti, a former winner of scholarships sponsored by our chapter and an organ performance major at the U of M, will be participating in the AGOYO Bach-a-thon. This on-line event is being organized by our national "Young Organists". 89 people have signed up to participate and will be recording all of Bach's organ works.

Skyelar will play the Prelude and Fugue in e (BWV 548 - "The Wedge") and 3 chorale settings.

All of the videos will premiere on the AGO YouTube channel from Monday, June 13-Thursday, June 16 in about 6 hour increments. The performances can be accessed at the AGO's Young Organists YouTube page.

Following is a link: <https://www.youtube.com/user/GuildofOrganists>

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR UPCOMING CHAPTER ELECTIONS

2022 is an election year for the Toledo Chapter. A ballot will soon be mailed to Chapter members. In addition to officers, Chapter members will vote to approve the new Chapter Operating Procedures. Each member was sent an email this past week with an explanation of the process and a copy of the document.

God's Creation Needs the Church; God's Church Needs Creation

On **Saturday, April 30**, Zoar Lutheran Church in Perrysburg will host a day-long practical workshop for Church leaders of all stripes who will benefit from the resources and perspectives our guest speaker, Rev. Dr. Leah Schade. In addition, attendees will gain the ability and take away resources to design Creation-themed worship, while pastors will walk from it with an expanded preaching toolbox. This workshop is brought to our community courtesy of a generous grant from the Zoar Foundation. It is open to all in the hope of enriching the ecological dialogue in our region.

This workshop is for clergy, worship leaders, youth leaders, and laity looking for tools to minister amid the climate crisis. We'll equip you with ideas for sermons, teaching, youth group activities, adult education, worship planning, and community-building that connects people's faith with God's Creation. **The workshop will run from 9:30 am – 3:00 pm. Please register by Thursday, April 28th by calling the church office at 419-874-4346. The registration fee is \$20 per person, payable on the day of the event.**

CONCERT CALENDAR

[Aaron Tan](#) Saturday, April 30 - 7:00 PM

First Congregational Church, Ann Arbor

Workshop with Aaron Tan Sunday May 1 at 3:00 PM

First Congregational Church, Ann Arbor

TEMPO, TIMING and TOUCH in Hymn, Chant, and Service Playing

While most service- playing workshops focus on creating elaborate hymn introductions, reharmonizations, improvisation, sometimes church musicians forget basic elements of good service playing: providing a solid foundation to support and encourage congregational song. This workshop will review basic concept of timing touch and tempo-crucial factors in providing effective leading and accompanying from the keyboard.

Ireland Tour

Dennis Johns will be leading a trip to Ireland with St. Joseph Catholic Church, Maumee from June 21-28. They have space open and anyone is welcome. The trip is through Corporate Travel and an itinerary and details are available at www.ctscentral.net/stjoseph-johns-ireland-202206 or you can call Corporate Travel at 866-466-2202. You may also email Dennis at dennis.john@stjosephmaumee.org for information.

These **FREE** items are available from First Christian Church, Sylvania. If interested, contact Patricia Wickerham at gmawick@sbcglobal.net or the church office at (419) 882-3313

52 blue and white choir robes in very good condition. Size range from small (children/youth) to adult.

Also, they have church pews available due to a sanctuary renovation.

Summer Conventions and Education

[AGO National Convention](#) - Seattle, Washington

July 3-7, 2022

[Organ Historical Society Convention](#) - Columbus, Ohio

July 31-August 5, 2022

Indiana University Jacobs School of Music

[Sacred Music Intensive](#)

June 6-10, 2022

This summer course, now in its seventh year, supplies continuing education enrichment to church musicians, ages 18 and older, who seek a supportive and stimulating environment in which to sharpen skills and engage new concepts and repertoire. Attendees have the option of tailoring their week's course of study from a variety of offerings of interest to organists and choral conductors, working with faculty whose sole interest is to help you leave energized by new skills, knowledge, and insights.

It is the AGO [Year of the Young Organist](#). Anyone under the age of 30 qualifies for one year free membership. There are many benefits and online resources available as well as special online programs for the younger organist. If you know of someone who might be interested in joining the Chapter pass along the link below. Consider not only organists or organ students, but anyone who is an organ enthusiast. Grow our membership, one personal invitation at a time!

<https://www.yearoftheyoungorganist.com/>

Items for the Newsletter are due on the 25th of the preceding month. Send items to toledoago419@gmail.com

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