



The Prelude

August 2025

Dear Toledo Chapter members,

I had the pleasure of attending the Great Lakes Regional meeting via ZOOM in July where we heard news from National and Regional representatives about the exciting plans in the works to support all levels of AGO membership - full and part-time time professionals, students, and organists beginning their careers. The Guild is actively responding to the current needs of our profession.



Please make sure you have renewed your membership. The AGO National Office makes every effort to communicate your renewal date so please respond promptly by going to the National website to renew!

The National Council appreciates that the Chapters are the bedrock of the Guild and they have responded with

many resources to assist the local Chapters.

An organizer of a recent professional conference held in Toledo stated there is a "clamoring for and craving live, in-person learning" as we have recovered from the COVID pandemic. I hope you also are looking forward to joining with your Chapter members by attending as many events this year as possible. The Toledo Chapter is one of the many "foundation stones" of the AGO!

There is a lot of information in this newsletter so read it carefully, maybe more than once.

Hope to see many of you on September 7.

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Toledo AGO Picnic & Music Swap

**Sunday, September 7 at 3pm
at Woodland Park Shelter
429 E. Boundry St. Perrysburg**

Sign up by scanning the QR
code here →

Bring sheet or recorded
music to gift and leave with
“new to you” music. All are
welcome! Questions?
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Or click here to sign up: [PICNIC](#)

Toledo AGO

SAVE THE DATES

FALL 2025

SEPT 07 **PICNIC & MUSIC SWAP**
3pm at Woodland Park
Perrysburg

AGO Scholarship Auditions Oct. 5

MEMBER RECITAL **OCT 12**
3pm at Christ Presbyterian
Toledo

NOV 15 **PEDALS, PIPES, & PIZZA**
10:30am-3:00pm
St. Aloysius, Bowling Green



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The October 12th AGO program at Christ Presbyterian Church will be a member's recital featuring sacred music for solo organ and/or organ with other instruments. (Organ Plus)

We are hoping to recruit five or six AGO members who are willing to provide eight to ten minutes of music. If you are willing to participate by either offering **solo organ selections** or **inviting instrumentalists** you have worked with, contact Wayne Whitten at ewmjwhit@aol.com

Thanks for considering!

2025-2026 PROGRAMS

Sunday Sept. 7th at 3:00 PM

Picnic & Music Swap
Three Meadows Park, Perrysburg

Sunday October 5th

Scholarship Auditions
St. Joan of Arc, Toledo

**Application Form available at the
Toledo AGO website under NEWS & EVENTS**

Sunday October 12th - 3:00 PM

ORGAN PLUS Member Recital
Strings, Winds, & Pipes
Christ Presbyterian, Toledo

Saturday, November 15th 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Pipes Pedals and Pizza
St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Bowling Green
Flyer available at the Toledo AGO website under EVENTS
Please share!!!

Sunday, January 11th at 5:00 PM

Season Send-off Party
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sylvania

Sunday, February 8th at 3:00 PM

MEMBERS SHOWCASE: Wedding Sampler
First Presbyterian, Maumee

Saturday, March 14th at 10:00 AM

Panel Discussion: Organizing Music
Christ the King, Toledo
TBD

Friday, April 17th at 7:30 PM

Toledo Symphony Orchestra

Todd Wilson, organist
Rosary Cathedral
\$30.00 with discount Code: ROSARY
www.artstoledo.com
419-246-8000

Friday, May 15th
Tiffin Organ Crawl
Curtis King, host
Carpool from Perrybsurg - 9am-3pm; In Tiffin 10am-2pm



Pedals! Pipes! & Pizza!

A special introductory workshop for young musicians 8-18
who want to learn more about the pipe organ!

Saturday, November 15th

10:30am-3pm

St. Aloysius Catholic Church

150 S Enterprise St.

Bowling Green, OH 43402

For more information and to register, contact
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or scan the QR code above

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CONCERT CALENDAR

Sunday, September 21 - 3:00 PM



daniel r. boyle, organ

featuring works by:
Johann Sebastian Bach
Paul Fey
George Frideric Handel
Louis Marchand
Freddie Mercury
Everett Titcomb

reception following
freewill offering to benefit
Solomon Concert Fund

sunday, september 21, 2025 - 3:00 p.m.
solomon lutheran church
305 west main street, woodville, ohio

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Chaplain - Rev. Jeff Bunke
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Scholarship Coordinator - Kathy Mumy
Historian - George Blackney

The organ music library of Lyle Hecklinger has been

donated to the Toledo Chapter. Ken Stoops is currently storing the many boxes of music at his home. We hope to find a meeting time when the music can be available for members to peruse. In the meantime, if anyone is interested in looking through the music Ken is happy to set up a time for individuals to come to his home. Just contact him to make arrangements.

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Items for the Newsletter are due by the 25th of the preceeding month. Send items to toledoagonewsletter@gmail.com and deantoleado419@gmail.com.

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