



The Prelude

September 2025

Dear Toledo Chapter members,

What! It's already Labor Day!! Where did the summer go? Many of you may share this sentiment as this year Labor Day is the earliest it can be, September 1. And following this holiday many of us will be back into our routines of rehearsals, classes, etc.



Our first gathering of the year is nearly upon us - Sunday, September 7 Potluck Picnic. This year it will be held at Woodland Park in Perrysburg. The park is a few blocks from downtown Perrysburg, across the street from St. Rose Cemetery. It is located on Route 795, conveniently accessed from I-75 or from Route 20 through Perrysburg. The outdoor sculpture garden has just installed new artwork. Hope that many of you will attend to join with other AGO members as we begin the season. Bring a friend or potential member if you can!

Information for sign up is below. If you have trouble accessing the internet page just send your reservation to toledoago419@gmail.com.

Quickly approaching is the Scholarship audition day. If you have a student who is interested, the application form can be found on the website or just click [HERE](#).

Farther down the road is the Pedals, Pipes and Pizza program on November 15. Never to soon to identify some young people you know who might be interested in learning more about the organ. We are thrilled that there will be an OrgelKids kit for this event. Participants will actually build this little organ and be able to perform a few tunes.



See you September 7

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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?
toledoago419@gmail.com



Or click here to sign up: [PICNIC](#)

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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
toledoago419@gmail.com
or scan the QR code above

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CONCERT CALENDAR

Sunday, September 21 - 3:00 PM



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 Libby Saxton
 Vanessa Kwiatkowski
 Wayne Whitten

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 Wayne Whitten

Chaplain - Rev. Jeff Bunke
 Membership Coordinator - Ken Stoops
 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 deantoledo419@gmail.com.

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