



The Prelude

November 2022

Dear colleagues,

During this month of remembrance, we remember former member, Brian Rotz who died recently. This has been an exceptionally busy month for me, and I'm sure for you as well.

On January 6th, I will be hosting an Epiphany party at my home. My address is 1614 Wildwood Rd. Toledo, OHIO 43614. My phone number is 419-260-1177. Come any time after 6!

I will provide a main course and some wine. Feel free to bring a dish to share and your own beverage, if you like. I hope many can make it!

Happy Thanksgiving to all of you.

Sincerely, Charlotte

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TOLEDO CHAPTER ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS!

Choral Reading Workshop



An enthusiastic group gathered on Saturday, October 1 for the Toledo Chapter Choral Reading Session and we welcomed several non-AGO members. Choral anthems were selected by Dennis Blubaugh and Paul Monachino covering various seasons of the church year. Sample packets were provided by Musical Resources (if you were unable to attend, Musical Resources have a limited number of copies left - visit the store to get a copy.) Thanks to Sylvania UCC for use of the church and Sally Mossing for hosting and providing fabulous breakfast goodies!

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Service Playing Workshop



Pictured from left: Jane Weber, Paul Monachino, Lynn Bockey, Charlotte Mariasy, Kathy Mumy, Nicole Keller, Mark Mathias (host), and Denise Mathias.

On November 5, Dr. Nicole Keller presented a Service Playing workshop at Christ Presbyterian Church. Denise Mathias played **With A Voice of Singing** by Martin Shaw. Dr. Keller then led us through various techniques for conducting from the console using head and hand gestures useful when conducting from the console. She also encouraged the conductor/accompanist to think about what type of sound or expression one wants from the choir and how to indicate this. Charlotte Mariasy played the hymn **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty** which led to a discussion of effective registration, phrasing, alternate harmonizations and preparation techniques. Thanks to Denise and Charlotte for playing and to Mark Mathias for hosting us. All in attendance benefitted from the various topics discussed during the workshop.

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The Chapter still has a need to fill the positions listed below. If contacted please consider serving. Please contact [Charlotte Mariasy](#) if you are interested in any of these positions:

Scholarship Coordinator

Chaplain

Membership Coordinator

Public Relations Coordinator

"Many hands make things work"

TOLEDO AGO PROGRAMS and RECITALS

2022-2023

Sunday, November 20, 2022 - Recital at Solomon Lutheran Church,

305 W. Main St., Woodville, OH, 4:00 PM Dan Boyle, Organist. Details: danboyle2@gmail.com

Friday, January 6 PM Epiphany/Twelfth Night Party Hosted by Charlotte Mariasy, 1614 Wildwood Rd. Toledo, OH 43614

Thursday, February- (Date/time TBD) as part of the *Thursday Recital Series* at

First Presbyterian Church, Maumee

Diverse Voices: Music of African-American And Women Composers

Performed by members of the Chapter

Friday, March 24 - 7:30 PM Amanda Mole, organist;

Bach Birthday Concert

St. Michael's in the Hills Church

Co-sponsored by St. Michael's celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Karl Wilhelm organ

June- (Date/time TBD) A fun evening for Chapter members and guests to conclude the program year.

Stay tuned!!

Nunc Dimittis

We received word that Brian Rotz, a former AGO Member here from 1995 - 2010, serving for a time as Dean, has passed away. For his complete obituary, please click on the link below.

<https://since1853.com/obituary/brian-rotz>

NEW MEMBER OUTREACH

As we focus on Chapter membership we are hoping to develop a database of church musicians in the area. Marilyn Blackney has agreed to be the point person for gathering this information. If you know of church musicians in your area or denomination who are not members please ask them if we may have their name and contact information to send a limited number of invitations to programs that may be of interest. Send these names to Marilynn. Include the church where they serve, and contact information - email is best.

In developing this list we hope to share our resources with those who are not members - and hopefully encourage them to join!

ggmblackney@gmail.com

Concert Calendar

Sunday, November 13, 2022 3:00 PM Rosary Cathedral Concert Series

The Sylvan Trio

Susanne Bona, flute

Josh Aerie, cello

Greg Kostraba, piano

James Kibbie will perform the complete organ works of J.S. Bach over the course of 18 recitals this season on the Fisk organ located in the Blanche Anderson Moore Hall on the campus of the University of Michigan. These will be presented in person and live streamed in real time. More information and concert dates can be found here - <http://www-personal.umich.edu/~jkibbie/kibbie-bach.html>

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

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