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February Chapter Meeting

Saturday, February 4, 2023

Druid Hills Presbyterian Church

1026 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE
Atlanta, GA 30306

10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

OrgelKids USA

Host Cliff Frierson, Chapter Dean



Don't miss our AGO meeting on Saturday, February 4, for the debut of our Atlanta OrgelKids Organ. Everyone attending this exciting event can learn how to assemble it, play it, share it! Atlanta OrgelKids will be a great way to introduce the organ throughout greater Atlanta and our state.

Sign up to be a "curator" ambassador for this instrument. OrgelKids "Ambassador" volunteers will learn the many ways to share this instrument with people of all ages. They will share fascinating "STEAM" concepts and our OrgelKids organ with schools, churches, music camps, AGO chapters, POE's, "Pedal, Pipes and Pizza". (STEAM is an acronym that stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. STEAM is both an educational philosophy and an approach to instruction that emphasizes hands-on, experiential learning across a broad curriculum.) We will be using lesson plan innovations from Holland, Great Britain, Canada, and America in these person-to-person programs in our communities. We will have people assembling and disassembling the kit, to see how easy and creative it is. We will have several areas in the sanctuary where the curriculum and projects will be happening so that prospective "ambassadors" can see how that works. We will have another area for signing up to be an ambassador and reserving the OrgelKids.

See you on February 4, and bring friends! Composer Rachel Laurin has written beautiful music for the OrgelKids instruments and you will hear how beautiful her music sounds on our OrgelKids organ.

From the Dean

Greetings AGO Members, Friends and Colleagues,

I hope that everyone had a great Christmas and New Year, and that you all are enjoying this weather and are all well and safe. We have our 2023 program season events that you do not want to miss. First event for 2023 is:

ORGELKIDS USA is coming to Atlanta

Saturday, February 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at **Druid Hills Presbyterian Church**, 1026 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE, Atlanta, GA 30306, hosted by your Chapter Dean. A light Lunch will be provided. There will be a \$10 fee for lunch, so please make your reservations at: agoatlreservations@gmail.com no later than January 31st.

Please NOTE: There are two (2) parking lots — the front parking lot to the left of the church, and in the rear of the church through the iron gates leading from the front parking lot. **Do NOT park on the right side of the church on Ponce**, because that lot belongs to the Summit Highrise next to the church...**YOU WILL BE TOWED!**

Read more about this exciting event on the front page of this newsletter.

On Saturday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m., the Cathedral of St. Philip and AGO Atlanta will be co-hosting a recital by **Ray & Beth Chenault**. This exciting program will include two world premiere performances: a duet commissioned from David Briggs, *Homage to Pierre Cochereau*, and a solo work written expressly for the Aeolian-Skinner organ and acoustic of the Cathedral nave by Ray Chenault, *Fantaisie Mystique*. This is a *free admission* concert, so please come enjoy St. Philip's majestic space and acoustics and get to experience two new world premier pieces. There will be a reception following.

A reminder that **The Quimby Organ Competition** has been set for Saturday, April 22, at Dunwoody United Methodist Church. Inquiries can be made by contacting Competition Coordinator Matthew Brown, or Mary Ruth Solem.

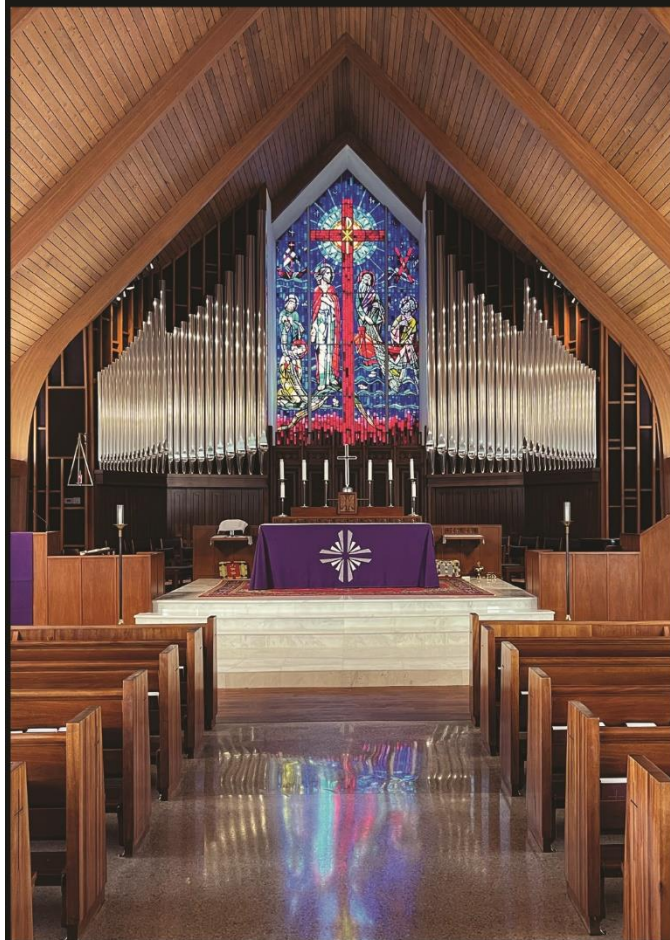
On Friday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and AGO Atlanta will be co-hosting a recital by the 2022 Taylor Competition First Place Winner, **Katherine Joliff**. She is an organ performance major at the Eastman School of Music. This will be a great time to greet and congratulate Katherine on her well-deserved award. Come experience the incredible acoustics and exquisite new Sanctuary of Immaculate Heart of Mary and their new A.E. Schlueter Pipe Organ. Support our Taylor Award Winner!

On Saturday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m., our AGO Season Finale will consist of a **Hymn Festival** co-hosted by Johns Creek United Methodist Church and AGO Atlanta. This is going to be a spectacular event featuring a very special artist, **David Cherwin**, and Johns Creek United Methodist Church Choir directed by Meg Granum, Director of Music. Come and hear the newly installed and restored Trinity Wallstreet Aeolian-Skinner Organ. Bring all your friends and families, warm up your voices and experience a *truly spiritual evening!* There will be a reception following the concert.

Many blessings to all of you!

Thank you!
Cliff Frierson, Dean
AGO Atlanta Chapter

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February 2023 Calendar of Events

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location	Admission
Thursday	2/2	8:00 PM	Moreau/Stutzmann/ASO: Prokofiev/Shostakovich	Symphony Hall	\$23-103
	2/2	8:00 PM	Anne-Sophie Mutter & Mutter Virtuosi	Schwartz Center, Emory	\$90
Friday	2/3	8:00 PM	Moreau/Stutzmann/ASO: Prokofiev/Shostakovich	Symphony Hall	\$30-103
Saturday	2/4	10:00 AM	AGO Meeting: OrgelKids USA	Druid Hills Presbyterian Church	\$10 for Lunch
Sunday	2/5	3:15 PM	Paul Thomas, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
	2/5	4:00 PM	Candelmas Procession & Choral Eucharist, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
Thursday	2/9	8:00 PM	Shoji/Chang/ASO: Clyne/Prokofiev/Mussorgsky	Symphony Hall	\$23-119
Friday	2/10	8:00 PM	Requiem: Howells' & Mozart's Requiems	The Cathedral of St. Philip	\$10-150
	2/10	8:00 PM	An Evening in Vienna	First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta	Free
Saturday	2/11	8:00 PM	Shoji/Chang/ASO: Clyne/Prokofiev/Mussorgsky	Symphony Hall	\$41-120
Sunday	2/12	3:15 PM	Sarah Johnson, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
	2/12	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
Friday	2/17	12:00 noon	Bach's Lunch IV: The Fifth Dimension	First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta	Free
Sunday	2/19	3:00 PM	Lucille Chung, <i>piano</i>	Spivey Hall	\$24-80
	2/19	3:15 PM	Georgia Tech Chamber Choir; Jerry Ulrich, <i>director</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
	2/19	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
	2/19	4:00 PM	New South Festival Singers: Tribute to the American Black Composer	St. John United Methodist Church	\$
Thursday	2/23	8:00 PM	Tao/Bancroft/ASO: Kodály/Ravel/Dawson	Symphony Hall	\$23-117
Friday	2/24	8:00 PM	Tao/Bancroft/ASO: Kodály/Ravel/Dawson	Symphony Hall	\$23-120
Saturday	2/25	3:00 PM	Raúl Prieto Ramírez, <i>organ</i>	Spivey Hall	\$20-50
Sunday	2/26	3:00 PM	Catalyst Quartet with Anthony McGill, <i>clarinet</i>	Spivey Hall	\$24-65
	2/26	3:15 PM	Timothy Olsen, <i>organ</i>	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free
	2/26	4:00 PM	Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free

2022-2023 AGO Meetings & Programs

Date	Location	Program/Artist	Dinner, Reception, etc.
Feb. 4 (Saturday) 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Druid Hills Presbyterian Church 1026 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Host Cliff Frieson	OrgelKids USA	Light lunch (\$10), then a concert using the new organ
Mar. 11 (Saturday) 7:30 p.m.	The Cathedral of St. Philip 2744 Peachtree Rd. NW Atlanta, GA 30305 Hosts Dale Adelman, Caroline Robinson, Jack Mitchener, & Timothy Gunter	The Chenaults	7:30 p.m. Recital Reception following
Apr. 22 (Saturday)	Dunwoody United Methodist Church 1548 Mt Vernon Rd Dunwoody, GA 30338 Host Mary Ruth Solem	Quimby Organ Competition	
Apr. 28 (Friday) 7:30 p.m.	Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church 2855 Briarcliff Rd NE Atlanta, GA 30329 Host William Jefferson Bush	Katherine Joliff	7:30 p.m. Recital
May 20 (Saturday) 7:30 p.m.	Johns Creek United Methodist Church 11180 Medlock Bridge Rd Johns Creek, GA 30097 Host Meg Gurtcheff	Hymn Festival	7:30 p.m. Festival Reception following

Around the Chapter

February Recitals at the Cathedral of St. Philip

The Cathedral of St. Philip will host Sunday afternoon in-person and online recitals at 3:15 p.m. each Sunday during the month of February. Recitalists will include the following:

February 5, Paul Thomas, *organ* (from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chattanooga, TN)

February 12, Sarah Johnson, *organ* (from Church of the Ascension, Rochester, NY)

February 19, Georgia Tech Chamber Choir; Jerry Ulrich, *conductor*

February 26, Timothy Olsen, *organ* (from University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Winston-Salem, NC)

Choral Evensong or Choral Eucharist will follow the recital each Sunday at 4:00, sung by the Cathedral Schola. All Sunday afternoon recitals and services are free admission, and the general public is warmly invited to attend.

The Cathedral of St. Philip Presents "Requiem" of Mozart and Howells

On Friday, February 10 at 8:00 p.m., the Cathedral of St. Philip will present a concert of the Requiems of Herbert Howells and Mozart, sung by the Cathedral Choir and Schola with orchestra. Tickets are available at cathedralATL.org/concerts or from the Cathedral Book Store 404-237-7582.

First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta Presents "An Evening in Vienna"

On Friday, February 10 at 8:00 p.m., under the direction of Maestro Michael Palmer, the Georgia State Symphony Orchestra will take us back to Imperial Vienna for a magical night of beautiful music by Mozart. Free admission with RSVP at www.concertsatfirst.org.

First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta Presents String Quintets of Mozart and Glazunov

On Friday, February 17 at 12:00 noon, First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta presents "Bach's Lunch The Fifth Dimension." The distinguished duo of James Dunham, *viola*, and Norman Fisher, *cello*, joins the Vega Quartet for two dazzling String Quintets: Mozart's *Viola Quintet* and Glazunov's *Cello Quintet*. Free admission with RSVP: www.concertsatfirst.org.

New South Festival Singers Presents A Tribute to the American Black Composer

On Sunday, February 19 at 4:00 p.m., St. John United Methodist Church presents the New South Festival Singers and the Fusion Chamber Ensemble, under the direction of Lynn Swanson, in their annual tribute concert of music by African-American composers. Tickets are available at www.festivalsingers.org/concerts or at the door.

The William Baker Choral Foundation Presents

New South Festival Singers

Lynn Swanson, Director

with Special Guests Fusion Chamber Ensemble

St. John United Methodist Church

Sunday, February 19, 2023 at 4:00 PM



WELCOME ANDREW ATKINSON

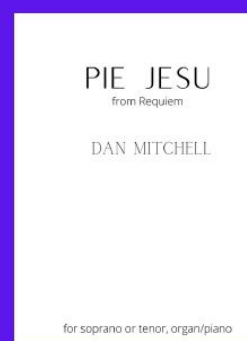
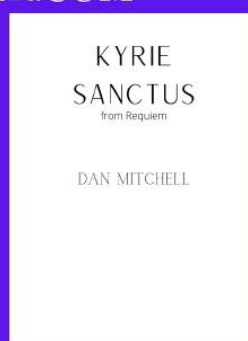
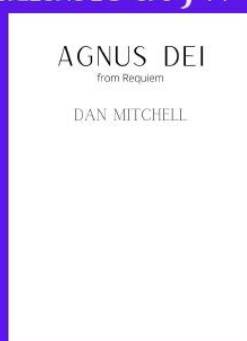
Chapel Music Company is proud to announce that Andrew Atkinson has accepted the position of General Manager of Chapel Music Company. Andrew is a well-established musician, performer and actor, from the Gulf Coast. Andrew started his piano studies at age 5. At the age of 16 he began studying with Dr. Robert Holm at the University of South Alabama. He received his BA in Music from Thomas Edison State College, with a concentration in Piano and History. Andrew has performed all across the region as an organist and pianist. He was the Concert Chairman of the Mobile Piano Ensemble from 2011 to 2013, and served as the last president from 2013 to 2015. He performed as Concerto Soloist in 2009. Andrew served three times as adjudicator for the Alabama Keyboard Festival. He won first place in the 2007 College Level MMTA Competition. Andrew currently serves as organist and Choirmaster of St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Marietta Georgia. He is a member of Atlanta Chapter of the AGO, and also a member of the Screen Actors Guild. Andrew has a passion for church music that has lasted a lifetime. Call Andrew at 251-382-3644 for his expert assistance with all of your organ needs.



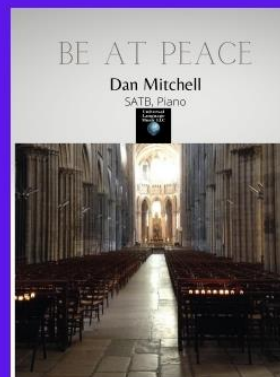
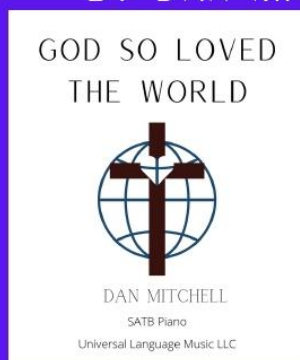
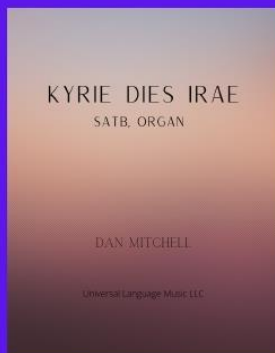
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Sunday, February 5

3:15 p.m. Paul Thomas, organ

(St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chattanooga TN)

César Franck, *Choral No. 3 in A minor*

Thomas H. Kerr, Jr., *Arietta*

J.S. Bach, *Herr Gott, nun schleuss die himmel auf*, BWV 617

Calvin Taylor, *This Little Light of Mine*

Olivier Messiaen, "Dieu parmi nous" from *La Nativité*

4 p.m. Candlemas & Choral Eucharist, Cathedral Schola

Richard Webster, *Nunc dimittis*

William Byrd, *Mass for Four Voices*

Johannes Eccard, *When to the temple Mary went*

Friday, February 10

7:30 p.m. Requiem: Howells & Mozart

Cathedral Choir & Schola with Orchestra

Tickets available at cathedralATL.org/concerts or from the Cathedral Book Store 404-237-7582

Sunday, February 12

3:15 p.m. Sarah Johnson, organ

(Church of the Ascension, Rochester NY)

J.S. Bach, *Toccat, Adagio and Fugue in C Major*, BWV 564

Jacques van Oortmerssen, *Nun ruhen alle Wälder*

Percy Whitlock, *Fantasia Chorale No. 1 in D-flat Major*

John Knowles Paine, *Fantasia in E minor*, Op. 2, No. 1

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Gerre Hancock, *Preces & Responses*

David Hurd, *Sewanee Canticles*

Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan, *This little light of mine*

Spiritual, arr. Gerre Hancock, *Deep River*

Sunday, February 19

3:15 p.m. Georgia Tech Chamber Choir

Jerry Ulrich, conductor

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Kenneth Leighton, *Preces & Responses*

Kenneth Leighton, *Second Service*

Gwyneth Walker, *Dazzling as the Sun*

Edward Bairstow, *I sat down under his shadow*

Sunday, February 26

3:15 p.m. Timothy Olsen, organ

(University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Winston-Salem NC)

Max Reger, *Introduction and Passacaglia in D minor*

Craig Phillips, *Musette*

Ned Rorem, *The World of Silence*

Ned Rorem, "There Is a Spirit that Delights to Do No Evil..."

César Franck, *Choral I in E Major*

4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Henry Purcell, *Hear my prayer*, O Lord

Richard Ayleward, *Preces & Responses*

Henry Purcell in B flat

Henry Purcell, *Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts*

Thomas Lupo, *Miserere mei, Domine*

Positions Available

Complete details on these and other positions may be found at the chapter's website: www.agoatlanta.org then click on "employment."

Music Director/Keyboardist

The Cathedral of Christ the King, Atlanta, seeks an Assistant Organist and Coordinator of Children's Choirs. Send resumes to jobopening@ctking.com.

Central Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, seeks a half-time interim or permanent Organist. Contact Jennifer Sengin at jsengin@cpatlanta.org.

Peachtree Road United Methodist Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Assistant Organist. Submit resumes to Scott Atchison at scotta@prumc.org.

St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time pianist/organist. Contact Dr. Joyce Schemanske at jschemanske@saintannes.com or 404-237-5589 ext. 132.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Atlanta, seeks a half-time Director of Music. Send resumes to office@stjohnsatlanta.org.

St. Paul United Methodist Church, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Director of Music. Send resumes to cassie@stpaulgrantpark.org.

First Baptist Church, Carrollton, seeks a part-time Organist. Send resumes to Associate Pastor of Music & Worship Tyler Ingram at tyler@fbcc.us.

St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, Dunwoody, seeks a Director of Music. Send resume to jobs@slpres.org.

Epworth United Methodist Church seeks a part-time Worship Leader. Send resumes to byron.ahrens@ngumc.net

Christ the Redeemer Anglican Church, Fort Valley, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to harlowmatthew@gmail.com.

First United Methodist Church, Greensboro, seeks a part-time organist/pianist. Send resume to tbantly@gmail.com.

Madison Presbyterian Church seeks a Director of Music. Send resume to jenny.arthur@trustmineral.com.

John Knox Presbyterian Church, Marietta, seeks a part-time Director of Music/Organist. Send resume to snbennett01@gmail.com.

St. Anna's Catholic Church, Monroe, seeks a Director of Sacred Music. Send resume to fatherrandy@st-annas.com.

St. Barnabas Anglican Church, Newnan, seeks a part-time Music Director. Contact Fr. Joey Fitzgerald at joey@barnabasanglican.com for more information.

St. George Catholic Church, Newnan, seeks a part time Director of Sacred Music/Organist. Send resume to mccormier@stgeorgewnan.org.

First United Methodist Church, Norcross, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume or contact Director of Music Ministry Scott Keesey at: Scott@Norcrossfirst.org.

Evergreen Church, Peachtree City, seeks a part-time Director of Traditional Music. For more information, contact Stacy Taylor at stacy@evergreenchurchga.org.

Peachtree City United Methodist Church seeks a part-time organist. For more information, email woody.brown@ptcumc.org.

St. Andrew's in the Pines Episcopal Church, Peachtree City, seeks a minister of music/organist. Send resume to rector@standrews316.org.

St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church, Sandy Springs, seeks a part-time organist/pianist. To schedule an audition, submit resumes to Bryan Archer at barcher@judeatl.com.

Epiphany Lutheran Church, Suwanee, seeks a half-time Worship & Music Leader. Send resume to resume to hiring@epiphanysuwanee.org.

Second Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, TN, seeks a half-time Organist. Contact Dr. Kevin Ford at office@secondpreschattanooga.org for more information.

Singers

Northside Drive Baptist Church, Atlanta, seeks tenor and bass staff singers. To schedule an audition, contact Keith H. Walker at keith@northsidedrive.org.

Virginia Highland Church, Atlanta, seeks tenor and bass staff singers. Contact Nicholas Bowden (404-932-0877) to arrange an audition.

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Kennesaw, seeks a tenor staff singer. To arrange an audition, contact Charissa Saenz at charissas@stcatherinercc.org.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Roswell, seeks a soloist. For an audition, contact jonathan911sc@hotmail.com.



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