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Saturday, January 25, 2020, 7:30 p.m.

**Dr. Carol Williams, organ**

at

**First Presbyterian Church (Cartersville)**

183 W Main St.

Cartersville, GA 30120

Host: Pamela Radford



6:00 p.m. Punchbowl

6:30 p.m. Dinner

(Dinner \$20)

7:30 p.m. Recital

British born **Carol Williams** was a child prodigy nurtured in a Welsh musical family. She began private lessons at age five and could read music before English. Carol began performing organ recitals throughout the UK at age eight, chauffeured by her father.

Dr. Williams's formal training started with five years at the Royal Academy of Music where she specialized in organ performing as a student of David Sanger and obtained the Academy's prestigious Recital Diploma together with an LRAM (organ) and an LRAM (piano).

Carol was awarded all the major prizes for organ performance and, during her studies, became a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists; a Fellow of Trinity College London; and an Associate of the Royal College of Music. Carol commuted from the UK for a year to continue special studies with Organist Daniel Roth at the Church of St. Sulpice, Paris.

Moving to the United States, she undertook postgraduate study at Yale University under the direction of Professor Thomas Murray and was awarded an Artist Diploma together with the Charles Ives prize for outstanding achievement. She undertook her Doctoral studies with Professor McNeil Robinson at the Manhattan School of Music and received the Helen Cohn award for her D.M.A. degree in 2001.

Carol was appointed the "first woman in the world" to hold the title of "Civic Organist" as San Diego Civic Organist from 2001-2017, and is the "first woman to hold the title Civic Organist Emerita." Carol has traveled the globe to numerous popular pipe organ venues in the USA as well as in England, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Monaco, Luxembourg, Holland, Poland, Germany, Denmark, Singapore, South Korea, China, and Russia.



# Adele Dieckmann McKee Honored by Agnes Scott



**Adele Dieckmann McKee** graduated from Agnes Scott College with a double major in music and Latin after serving as vice president of student government in her senior year. She was also a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, and Eta Sigma Phi classical society.

She received a master's degree in Latin from Wellesley College in 1949, and in 1955 earned a master's in sacred music from Union Theological Seminary's School of Sacred Music. McKee is also a Fellow of the American Guild of Organists.

Her first job was as a teacher of Latin and music theory and as chapel organist/choral accompanist at the Northfield School for Girls in Massachusetts. In 1955, she returned to Atlanta where for a time she taught Latin at the Westminster Schools while becoming director of music/organist of Trinity Presbyterian Church. The latter soon became a full-time position where she stayed for 27½ years. In 1985, she became organist/choirmaster at St. Luke's Presbyterian in Dunwoody.

She served on the National Council of the American Guild of Organists and the National Board of the Choristers' Guild. In 1970, she was elected to be the first national president of the Presbyterian Association of Musicians. Her last work in music was as a volunteer at the Atlanta Young Singers of Callanwolde, where she was president of the board for four years, guiding fundraising that resulted in an endowment fund of a quarter-million dollars. She was married to Dean G. McKee, former president of the Biblical Seminary in New York and later professor of Biblical exposition at Columbia Theological Seminary.

Adele served as an integral member on the Agnes Scott Alumnae Board from 2013-2018. Most recently, she spearheaded a plan for older alumnae to donate their rings to sophomores in need, as a living gift or a bequest. Adele is the fund contact for the Christian W. Dieckmann Music Fund which was created in 1961 by friends of Christian Dieckmann. She also is the fund contact for the Dabney Adams Hart Class of 1948 Scholarship which provides tuition-relieving assistance to students. As well as serving as class secretary and serving on her class reunion planning committee, Adele has hosted her class at her home for every reunion except one. Adele also is a current Summit Career Connect volunteer, serving to help students build career literacy, hone professional skills and develop a professional network.

Adele has been serving Agnes Scott since she was a child! When she was 11 years old, her mother worked on the 1939 campaign and Adele spent time in Buttrick, stuffing and stamping an alumnae mailing. In addition, she helped her mother prepare for the after-lecture dinners that were held every time Robert Frost came to the college.

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# January 2020 Calendar of Events

| Day       | Date | Time     | Event  | Location                                       | Admission |
|-----------|------|----------|--|--|-----------|
| Saturday  | 1/4  | 8:00 PM  | Bruns/Mulligan/ASO: Vivaldi/Piazzolla - The Four Seasons                           | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Sunday    | 1/5  | 3:15 PM  | David Simon, <i>organ</i>  | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
|           | 1/5  | 4:00 PM  | Choral Eucharist, Cathedral Schola   | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
| Thursday  | 1/9  | 8:00 PM  | Osorio/Spano/ASO: Auznieks/de Falla/Prokofiev                                      | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Saturday  | 1/11 | 3:00 PM  | Roderick Williams, <i>baritone</i> ; Julius Drake, <i>piano</i>                    | Spivey Hall                                    | \$        |
|           | 1/11 | 6:30 PM  | Square Dancing   | First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta           |           |
|           | 1/11 | 8:00 PM  | Osorio/Spano/ASO: Auznieks/de Falla/Prokofiev                                      | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Sunday    | 1/12 | 3:00 PM  | Lysander Piano Trio  | Spivey Hall                                    | \$        |
|           | 1/12 | 3:00 PM  | Becky Ramsey, <i>organ</i> ; Alice Walker, <i>organ</i>                            | Druid Hills Presbyterian Church                |           |
|           | 1/12 | 3:15 PM  | Weston Jennings, <i>organ</i>  | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
|           | 1/12 | 4:00 PM  | Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola  | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
| Wednesday | 1/15 | 8:00 PM  | Khatia Buniatishvili, <i>piano</i> ; Royal Philharmonic Orchestra                  | Schwartz Center, Emory                         | \$        |
| Thursday  | 1/16 | 8:00 PM  | Coucheron/Spano/ASO: Knussen/Lutoslawski/Beethoven                                 | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Friday    | 1/17 | 7:00 PM  | Hymn Festival; Floyd/Nelson/Urda, <i>conductors</i> ; Scott Atchison, <i>organ</i> | Peachtree Road United Methodist Church         |           |
| Saturday  | 1/18 | 3:00 PM  | Monica Czauz, <i>organ</i>   | Spivey Hall                                    | \$        |
|           | 1/18 | 8:00 PM  | Coucheron/Spano/ASO: Knussen/Lutoslawski/Beethoven                                 | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Sunday    | 1/19 | 3:00 PM  | Coucheron/Spano/ASO: Knussen/Lutoslawski/Beethoven                                 | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
|           | 1/19 | 3:00 PM  | Behzod Abduraimov, <i>piano</i>  | Spivey Hall                                    | \$        |
|           | 1/19 | 3:15 PM  | Anthony Williams, <i>organ</i>   | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
|           | 1/19 | 4:00 PM  | Choral Evensong, Cathedral Choir   | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
| Thursday  | 1/23 | 8:00 PM  | Tiscione/Gaffigan/ASO: Montgomery/Beethoven/RVW/Strauss                            | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Saturday  | 1/25 | 11:00 AM | Atlanta Opera Studio Tour  | First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta           |           |
|           | 1/25 | 7:30 PM  | <b>AGO Meeting: Carol Williams, <i>organ</i></b>                                   | <b>First Presbyterian Church, Cartersville</b> |           |
|           | 1/25 | 8:00 PM  | Tiscione/Gaffigan/ASO: Montgomery/Beethoven/RVW/Strauss                            | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
|           | 1/25 | 8:00 PM  | The Atlanta Opera: <i>Salome</i>   | Cobb Energy Center                             | \$        |
| Sunday    | 1/26 | 3:15 PM  | Sue Mitchell-Wallace, <i>organ</i>   | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
|           | 1/26 | 4:00 PM  | Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola  | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    |           |
|           | 1/26 | 5:00 PM  | Bradley Hunter Welch, <i>organ</i>   | Decatur Presbyterian Church                    |           |
| Tuesday   | 1/28 | 7:30 PM  | The Atlanta Opera: <i>Salome</i>   | Cobb Energy Center                             | \$        |
| Thursday  | 1/30 | 8:00 PM  | Zorman/Canellakis/ASO: Beethoven/Berg/Shostakovich                                 | Symphony Hall                                  | \$        |
| Friday    | 1/31 | 7:30 PM  | Atlanta Baroque Orchestra: A Night at the Opera                                    | The Cathedral of St. Philip                    | \$        |
|           | 1/31 | 8:00 PM  | The Atlanta Opera: <i>Salome</i>   | Cobb Energy Center                             | \$        |

## 2019-2020 AGO Meetings & Programs

| Date  | Location  | Program/Artist                                      | Dinner, Reception, etc.  |
|---|---|---|--|
| <b>February 21</b><br>(Friday)<br>7:30 p.m. | <b>Location TBD</b>   | <b>Hymn Festival</b><br><b>Dr. Patrick A. Scott</b> | TBD  |
| <b>March 28</b><br>(Saturday)<br>11:00 a.m. | <b>Dunwoody United Methodist Church</b><br>1548 Mt Vernon Rd, Dunwoody, GA 30338<br>Host Mary Ruth Solem    | <b>Members' Recital featuring young organists</b>   | Lunch at 12:30 (\$10)  |
| <b>April</b>                                | <b>Open</b>   |   |  |
| <b>May 2</b><br>(Saturday)<br>12:00 noon    | <b>St. David's Episcopal Church</b><br>1015 Old Roswell Rd., Roswell, GA 30076<br>Host Sue Mitchell-Wallace | <b>Chapter Meeting &amp; Guild Service</b>          | Brunch and election of new Board delegates followed by Guild Service |



# Around the Chapter

## Weekly Organ Recitals & Choral Evensong at the Cathedral of St. Philip

On Sunday, January 5 at 3:15 p.m., the **Cathedral of St. Philip** continues its weekly **recitals and Choral Evensong** (or occasionally Choral Eucharist). Performers this month will include:

- **January 5, David Simon**, from the Anglican Cathedral of St. James, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
- **January 12, Weston Jennings**, from First Presbyterian Church, Tyler, TX
- **January 19, Anthony Williams**, from Fisk University, Nashville, TN
- **January 26**, chapter member and former Dean **Sue Mitchell-Wallace**, from St. David's Episcopal Church, Roswell

All recitals will be followed at 4:00 p.m. by Choral Evensong, except for January 5, which will feature a service of Choral Eucharist at 4:00 in celebration of the Eve of the Epiphany.

## Square Dancing at First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta

A unique entry on the AGO's monthly calendar: On **Saturday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m.**, **First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta** will host a square dancing event, to be held in Fifield Hall on the ground floor of the church. No experience necessary. Come learn to square dance from a professional caller. Free admission. Bring a friend and appetizer or dessert to share! For more information, contact Katie Patterson at 404-228-7753 or [kpatterson@firstpresatl.org](mailto:kpatterson@firstpresatl.org).

## Becky Ramsey & Alice Walker at Druid Hills Presbyterian Church

On **Sunday, January 12 at 3:00 p.m.**, chapter members **Becky Ramsey** (First United Methodist Church, Covington) and **Alice Walker** (First Presbyterian Church, Covington) will present a recital at **Druid Hills Presbyterian Church**, as part of the church's Organ Restoration Fundraising Concert Series. Admission is free. All donations received will go toward restoring the church's historic 1940 Aeolian-Skinner organ. All are welcome!

## Chorister's Guild 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

On **Friday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m.**, the Atlanta Chapter of the Chorister's Guild celebrates their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a Hymn Festival at **Peachtree Road United Methodist Church**, featuring The Atlanta Master Chorale, The Gwinnett Young Singers, and The Shallowford Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir. Conductors will include Emily Floyd, Eric Nelson, and Lynn Urda, with PRUMC Director of Music Scott Atchison at the organ. Admission is free. An offering will be taken to benefit the Atlanta Chorister's Guild.

## Atlanta Opera Studio Tour

On **Saturday, January 25 at 11:00 a.m.**, **First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta** will host a performance of Engelbert Humperdinck's opera *Hansel and Gretel*. Performed by the **Atlanta Opera Studio Tour**, and suitable for all ages, this 45-minute English version brings students on an adventure through a magical world filled with mystical forest animals, a captivating Sandman, and lots of sweets! Free admission. Parking is available across the street in the Lanier Lot at 1337 Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA 30309.

## Bradley Hunter Welch at Decatur Presbyterian Church

On **Sunday, January 26 at 5:00 p.m.**, **Decatur Presbyterian Church** will host an organ recital by **Bradley Hunter Welch**, Artist-in-Residence at Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church in Dallas, TX. Part of the church's Organ Dedication Concert Series this season, admission is free, and all are welcome.

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# The Cathedral of St. Philip

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404-365-1050 for more information

## Sunday, January 5

### 3:15 p.m. David Simon, organ

(Cathedral of St. James, Toronto, Ontario, Canada)  
Olivier Messiaen, Movements from *La Nativité du Seigneur*

### 4 p.m. Choral Eucharist, Cathedral Schola

George Malcolm, *Missa ad Praesepe (Mass at the Crib)*  
Herbert Howells, *Here is the little door*  
Oliver Tarney, *The Wise Men and the Star*

## Sunday, January 12

### 3:15 p.m. Weston Jennings, organ

(First Presbyterian Church, Tyler, TX)  
Alfred Hollins, *Concert Overture in C minor*  
Henry Smart, *Chorale with Variations*  
G.F. Handel, *Organ Concerto in B-flat Major, Op. 4, No. 2*  
Percy Fletcher, *Festival Toccata*

### 4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Thomas Morley, *Preces & Responses*  
Thomas Weelkes, *Sixth Service*  
Tomás Luis de Victoria, *Asperges me*  
Robert White, *Christe qui lux es et dies I*

## Sunday, January 19

### 3:15 p.m. Anthony Williams, organ

(Fisk University, Nashville, TN)  
Craig Phillips, *Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation"*  
Mark Fax, *Three Organ Pieces*  
César Franck, *Pastorale, Op. 19*  
Louis Vierne, *Carillon de Westminster, Op. 54*

### 4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Choir

Bernard Rose, *Preces & Responses*  
Edward Bairstow in D  
Gabriel Fauré, *Tu es Petrus*  
David Ashley White, *True Anointed One*

## Sunday, January 26

### 3:15 p.m. Sue Mitchell-Wallace, organ

(St. David's Episcopal Church, Roswell)  
Charles-Marie Widor, "Allegro vivace" from *Symphony No. 5 in F minor, Op. 42, No.1*  
Kees Weggelaar, *Pastorale*  
Marcel Dupré, *Cortège et Litanie, Op. 19, No. 2*  
Max Reger, *Benedictus, Op. 59, No. 9*  
Johann Sebastian Bach, "Sinfonia" from *Cantata No. 29*

### 4 p.m. Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola

Bernard Rose, *Preces & Responses*  
Herbert Howells, *Winchester Service*  
William Mathias, *Let the people praise thee, O God*  
Edward Bairstow, *Save us, O Lord*

## Friday, January 31

### 7:30 p.m. Atlanta Baroque Orchestra

### A Night at the Opera

Tickets and information at [atlantabaroque.org](http://atlantabaroque.org)

# Positions Available

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

## Music Director/Keyboardist

**The Cathedral of St. Philip**, Atlanta, seeks a full-time Assistant or Associate Organist/Choirmaster. Send resumes to [music@cathedralatl.org](mailto:music@cathedralatl.org).

**Central Congregational United Church of Christ**, Atlanta, seeks a part-time organist/pianist. Send resumes to [keyboardposition@central-ucc.org](mailto:keyboardposition@central-ucc.org).

**Peachtree Road Lutheran Church**, Atlanta, seeks a Director of Music Ministries. Send resume to: [peachtreerd@earthlink.net](mailto:peachtreerd@earthlink.net).

**Peachtree Road United Methodist Church** seeks an Assistant Organist. Send resume to [scotta@prumc.org](mailto:scotta@prumc.org).

**The Episcopal Parish of St. Mary & St. Martha of Bethany**, Buford, seeks a part-time director of music/organist. Send resume to [tjwatts@maryandmarthabuford.org](mailto:tjwatts@maryandmarthabuford.org).

**Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church**, Clarkesville, seeks a part-time organist. Send resumes to [gcalvary@windstream.net](mailto:gcalvary@windstream.net).

**Clairmont Presbyterian Church**, Decatur, seeks an interim choir director/organist. Send resume to [musicsearch@clairmontpres.org](mailto:musicsearch@clairmontpres.org).

**St. Marguerite d'Youville Catholic Church**, Lawrenceville, seeks a part-time Music Director/Organist/Pianist. Send resumes to [finance@stmdy.com](mailto:finance@stmdy.com).

**Mountain View United Methodist Church**, Marietta, seeks a part-time organist/pianist. Send resume to [khginc@bellsouth.net](mailto:khginc@bellsouth.net).

**Newnan Presbyterian Church** seeks an interim organist. Email [lallagentry@gmail.com](mailto:lallagentry@gmail.com) for information.

**St. George Catholic Church**, Newnan, seeks a Director of Music/Organist. Send resume to [mcomier@stgeorgewnan.org](mailto:mcomier@stgeorgewnan.org).

**Christ Church Episcopal**, Norcross, seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to [office@ccnorcross.org](mailto:office@ccnorcross.org).

**First Baptist Church**, Powder Springs, seeks a part-time organist. For more information, call Mark Perry at 770-943-9333.

**Sandersville United Methodist Church** seeks a part-time organist. Send resume to [felicia@sandersvilleumc.org](mailto:felicia@sandersvilleumc.org).

**Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church**, Sandy Springs, seeks a part-time organist. Send resumes to [matthias@mvpchurch.org](mailto:matthias@mvpchurch.org).

**Rivercliff Lutheran Church**, Sandy Springs, seeks a part-time choir director. Mail resume to 8750 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350.

**Trinity Presbyterian Church**, Montgomery, AL, seeks a full-time Assistant Director of Music & Organist. Send resumes to [talexander@trinitypca.org](mailto:talexander@trinitypca.org).

**Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church**, Lexington, SC, seeks a part-time Organist/Music Associate. For more information, contact Hal McIntosh at [hmcintosh@saxegotha.org](mailto:hmcintosh@saxegotha.org), 803-359-7770.

## Singers

**Covenant Presbyterian Church**, Atlanta, seeks an alto staff singer. To schedule an audition, contact Jeffrey McIntyre at 404-805-4816 or [jdmatl@aol.com](mailto:jdmatl@aol.com).

**First United Methodist Church**, Atlanta, seeks a tenor staff singer. For an audition, contact Christopher Bryant at [Christopher@atlantafirstumc.org](mailto:Christopher@atlantafirstumc.org).

**Northwest Presbyterian Church**, Atlanta, seeks a bass staff singer. To arrange an audition, contact James Kohler, Director of Music, at [jkohler35@hotmail.com](mailto:jkohler35@hotmail.com).

**Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church**, Sandy Springs, seeks an alto staff singer. Email Dr. Sean Vogt, Director of Music, at [HIECmusic@holynnocents.org](mailto:HIECmusic@holynnocents.org).

**Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church**, Sandy Springs, seeks alto and bass staff singers. For information, contact T.J. Shirley at [tjs@mvpchurch.org](mailto:tjs@mvpchurch.org).

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**, Woodstock, seeks soprano, alto, and tenor staff singers. To arrange an audition, contact Thomas Eisnor at [music@gslutheran.org](mailto:music@gslutheran.org).



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