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## **May AGO Meeting**

Saturday, May 20, 2023, at 7:30 PM Hymn Festival

> Johns Creek United Methodist Church 11180 Medlock Bridge Rd. Johns Creek, GA 30097



For our Season Finale, come and sing and hear the newly installed, restored Aeolian-Skinner organ from Trinity Episcopal Church, Wall Street, New York City. We will be joined by instrumentalists, singers, and listeners from all around, including very special artist Dr. David Cherwin and Johns Creek United Methodist Church Choir directed by Meg Granum, Director of Music. A reception will follow.

## From the Dean

Dear AGO Members, Friends and Colleagues,

I hope that all of you are enjoying this beautiful weather and are all well and full of Eastertide! We are approaching the end of our Season, so please read and do your very best to attend these two events.

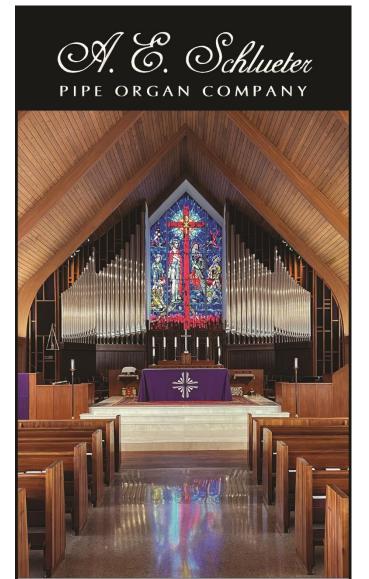
On Friday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and AGO Atlanta will be co-hosting a recital by the 2022 Taylor Competition First Place Winner, Katherine Jolliff. She is an organ performance major at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY. This will be a great time to greet and congratulate Katherine on her well-deserved award. Immaculate Heart of Mary is one of the most beautiful new sanctuaries in our city, so if you've never been, this would be a great opportunity to experience such a moving space, and support our Taylor Competition Winner! There will be a reception following the recital.

Our AGO Season Finale, Saturday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m., will be a Hymn Festival co-hosted by Johns Creek United Methodist Church and AGO Atlanta. This will be a spectacular event featuring a very special artist, Dr. David Cherwin, and Johns Creek United Methodist Church Choir directed by Meg Granum, Director of Music. Please come hear the newly installed, restored Aeolian-Skinner organ from Trinity Episcopal Church, Wall Street, New York City. If you haven't been to Johns Creek United Methodist Church, you need to experience this incredible space and the newly restored historical organ! Bring all of your friends and family, warm up your voices, and experience a truly spiritual evening. There will be a reception afterward.

Finally, Orgelkids USA is "in the air." We will be introducing and sharing our new incredible instrument during the Regional Convention in Augusta, GA, in June 2023. We will also be premiering this wonderful instrument this Fall, so stay tuned.

Many blessings to you all!

Cliff Frierson, Dean AGO Atlanta Chapter



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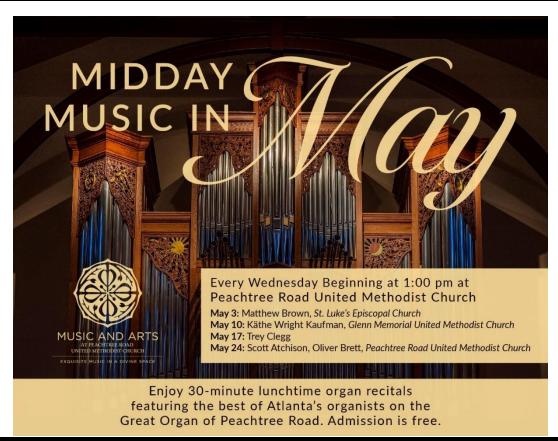
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## May 2023 Calendar of Events

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location	Admission
Tuesday	5/2	7:30 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Wagner's Das Rheingold	Cobb Energy Center	\$56-250
Wednesday	5/3	1:00 PM	Matthew Brown, organ	Peachtree Road United Methodist Church	Free
Thursday	5/4	8:00 PM	Roberts/Runnicles/ASO: Mahler Symphony No. 5	Symphony Hall	\$23-125
Friday	5/5	8:00 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Wagner's Das Rheingold	Cobb Energy Center	\$56-250
Saturday	5/6	8:00 PM	Roberts/Runnicles/ASO: Mahler Symphony No. 5	Symphony Hall	\$23-125
Sunday	5/7 5/7 5/7 5/7	3:00 PM 3:15 PM 4:00 PM 4:00 PM	The Atlanta Opera: Wagner's <i>Das Rheingold</i> Katherine Webb, <i>organ</i> Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola Isabelle Demers, <i>organ</i>	Cobb Energy Center The Cathedral of St. Philip The Cathedral of St. Philip Sisters Chapel, Spelman College	\$56-250 Free Free Free
Wednesday	5/10	1:00 PM	Käthe Wright Kaufman, organ	Peachtree Road United Methodist Church	Free
Saturday	5/13	3:00 PM	Behzod Abduraimov, piano	Spivey Hall	\$28-70
Sunday	5/14 5/14	3:15 PM 4:00 PM	Patrick Kreeger, <i>organ</i> Choral Evensong, Cathedral Schola	The Cathedral of St. Philip The Cathedral of St. Philip	Free Free
Wednesday	5/17	1:00 PM	Trey Clegg, organ	Peachtree Road United Methodist Church	Free
Thursday	5/18	8:00 PM	Naughton/Naughton/Popelka/ASO: Kaprálová/Martinů/Dvořák	Symphony Hall	\$23-115
Saturday	5/20 5/20	7:30 PM 8:00 PM	AGO Season Finale: Hymn Festival Naughton/Naughton/Popelka/ASO: Kaprálová/Martinů/Dvořák	Johns Creek United Methodist Church Symphony Hall	Free \$23-115
Sunday	5/21 5/21 5/21 5/21 5/21	3:00 PM 3:15 PM 3:15 PM 4:00 PM 4:00 PM	The Atlanta Chamber Players Paul Thomas, organ Caroline Robinson, organ Three Choirs Choral Evensong Choral Evensong, Cathedral Choir	First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta St. Luke's Episcopal Church The Cathedral of St. Philip St. Luke's Episcopal Church The Cathedral of St. Philip	\$20 Free Free Free Free
Wednesday	5/24	1:00 PM	Scott Atchison & Oliver Brett, organ	Peachtree Road United Methodist Church	Free



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## THREE CHOIRS CHORAL EVENSONG Sunday, May 21, 2023, 4 p.m.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church 435 Peachtree Street NE



The Combined Choirs of
All Saints' Episcopal Church
Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church
St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Music by Ned Rorem, McNeil Robinson, Jack Ossewaarde, and Gerre Hancock



3:15p.m. Pre-Evensong Recital
Paul Thomas, *organist*St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chattanooga, TN

## Program

Prelude in F Major - Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel (1805-1847)
Surrexit pastor bonus (after Lassus) - Heinrich Scheidemann (c. 1595-1663)
Toccata and Fugue in d "Dorian," BWV 538 - Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Solemn Processional - Robert A. Harris (b. 1938)
Joie et clarté des corps glorieux - Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)
Chorale Prelude on Llanfair - McNeil Robinson (1943-2015)
Te Deum, Op. 11 - Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968)

A festive reception follows in J. Coleman Budd Hall.





## Around the Chapter

## Midday Music in May at Peachtree Road United Methodist Church

At 1:00 p.m. each Wednesday in May, Peachtree Road United Methodist Church will present a 30-minute recital by a different Atlanta organist each week. Recitalists will include:

May 3, Matthew Brown (from St. Luke's Episcopal Church)

May 10, Käthe Wright Kaufman (from Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church)

May 17, Trey Clegg

May 24, Scott Atchison & Oliver Brett (Peachtree Road United Methodist Church)

Admission is free and all are welcome.

## May 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. the first three Sundays during the month of May. Recitalists will include the following:

May 7, Katherine Webb, organ (from Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland, OR)

May 14, Patrick Kreeger, organ (from Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, NY)

May 21, Caroline Robinson *organ* (The Cathedral of St. Philip)

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

## First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta Presents the Atlanta Chamber Players

On Sunday, May 21 at 3:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta presents a concert by the Atlanta Chamber Players. The program will include:

Johannes Brahms: Horn Trio in E-flat major, Op. 40

Joseph Gabriel Rheinberger: Suite for Strings and Organ, Op. 149 Maurice Ravel: Le Tombeau de Couperin (for Woodwind Quintet)

Brian Raphael Nabors (World Premiere/ACP Commission): Piano Quintet

Admission is \$20, and free admission for students.

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## The Cathedral of St. Philip



2744 Peachtree Rd † Atlanta, GA 30305 404-365-1050 for more information

## Sunday, May 7

### 3:15 p.m. Katherine Webb, organ

(Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland, OR)
Cecilia McDowall, Church Bells Beyond the Stars
Thomas H. Kerr, Jr., Arietta
Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Impromptu No. 1, Op. 78
Evelyn Simpson-Curenton, Meditation on "Were you there"
Emma Lou Diemer, Vruechten ("This joyful Eastertide")
Adolphus Hailstork, Adagio and Fugue in F minor
Mark A. Miller, Toccata on "Lift every voice"

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

Margaret Burk, Preces & Responses Stephanie Martin, Selwyn Service Craig Phillips, Let not your hearts be troubled Dan Locklair, O Trinity of blessed Light

#### Sunday, May 14

#### 3:15 p.m. Patrick Kreeger, organ

(Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, NY) Elfrida Andrée, *Organ Symphony in B minor* C.H.H. Parry, *Fantasia and Fugue in G*, Op. 188

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

Philip Radcliffe, *Preces & Responses* Gabriel Jackson, *Truro Service* Gerald Finzi, *Lo, the full final Sacrifice* 

## Sunday, May 21

### 3:15 p.m. Caroline Robinson, organ

(The Cathedral of St. Philip)

Johann Sebastian Bach, *Toccata in E Major*, BWV 566 Olivier Messiaen, "Alleluias sereins d'une âme qui désire le ciel" from *L'Ascension* 

Leo Sowerby, "Fast and Sinister" from *Symphony for Organ in G* Gustav Holst, *arr.* Jonathan Scott, "Jupiter" from *The Planets* 

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

Richard Shephard, *Preces & Responses*Herbert Howells, *York Minster*Patrick Gowers, *Viri Galilaei*Gerald Finzi, *God is gone up* 

## 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

Church of Our Savior (Episcopal), Atlanta, seeks a part-time organist/choirmaster. For more information, contact Reverend Melanie Rowell at rector@coosatl.org.

- **St. John's Lutheran Church**, Atlanta, seeks a half-time Director of Music. Send resumes to <a href="mailto:office@stjohnsatlanta.org">office@stjohnsatlanta.org</a>.
- **St. Paul United Methodist Church**, Atlanta, seeks a part-time Director of Music. Send resumes to <a href="mailto:cassie@stpaulgrantpark.org">cassie@stpaulgrantpark.org</a>.

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

**First United Methodist Church**, Dalton, seeks an interim organist. For more information, contact Kelly Stultz at choirkelly@gmail.com.

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross, Decatur, seeks a part-time Organist & Music Director. Send resume to office@holy-cross.org.

**Epworth United Methodist Church** seeks a part-time Worship Leader. Send resumes to <a href="mailto:byron.ahrens@ngumc.net">byron.ahrens@ngumc.net</a>

**Mount Hermon Presbyterian Church**, Ila, seeks a part-time pianist. Contact Kathryn Miller at <a href="mailto:miller.ugamath@gmail.com">miller.ugamath@gmail.com</a> for more information.

**Loyd Presbyterian Church**, LaGrange, seeks a part-time organist and music director. Send resume to Rev. Tyler Brock at tyler@loydpres.org.

**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 <a href="mailto:joey@barnabasanglican.com">joey@barnabasanglican.com</a> for more information.
- **St. Paul's Episcopal Church**, Newnan, seeks a part-time Organist/Choirmaster. For more information, email parishadmin@stpaulsnewnan.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 <a href="mailto:woody.brown@ptcumc.org">woody.brown@ptcumc.org</a>.

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

**Second Presbyterian Church**, Chattanooga, TN, seeks a half-time Organist. Contact Dr. Kevin Ford at <a href="mailto:office@secondpreschattanooga.org">office@secondpreschattanooga.org</a> for more information.

#### Singers

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



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