
October 2022

Mixtures



Binghamton Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

DEAN'S MESSAGE..



Kudos to:

David Jackson for his recent recital at his church in Spencer; and to

Richard and Evelyn Van Auken for leading the dedication concert in celebration of the rebuilt organ at Emory Methodist Church in Hancock. The organ was recently rebuilt by Sid Chase, of Chase Organ Company; and to

Jean Henssler, who gave her "In the Footsteps of Bach" audio-visual presentation about her Pipedreams trip to Germany to an enthusiastic audience in Elmira . It was nice to get to see our friends in the Chemung Chapter at the presentation and (of course) lunch; and to

Tim Smith who led a lovely Evensong at Trinity.

On October 15, two events are scheduled in direct conflict with each other. Dave Lennington of the Chemung Chapter will be leading an organ crawl. The Madrigal Choir will be presenting its "Brilliant Brass (and organ)" concert. There is more information about each below with more to follow closer to the events.

Please mark your calendars for our Young Artist Series concert to be held on Sunday, November 20, at Central United Methodist. Katherine Jolliff, a student of David Higgs (Eastman) will be our guest organist. Much more information to come on that.

Congratulations to our Chaplain Pastor Werly who got married recently.

Our kickoff dinner has been so much fun over the years, so it was sad, but necessary that we cancel. Several of our members got COVID, including me, and we erred on the side of caution by cancelling it.

I am looking forward to our events this year. We have some exciting programs coming up.

John

UPCOMING EVENTS...

- ◆ **Saturday, October 15 - 9:30 am** - Chemung Valley Chapter's Annual Organ Crawl in Auburn, NY. All those participating will meet at St. Mary's Church, 15 Clark Street, Auburn. Additional churches to be visited are Westminster Presbyterian Church (11:00 am), St Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church (2:15 pm), and St Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church (3:15 pm). Lunch will be held at Applebee's at 12:15pm. For lunch reservations and further info please contact David Lenington - davelen@epix.net or (570)-269-5035.
- ◆ **Saturday, October 15 - 4:00 pm** - BRILLIANT BRASS, pieces for Chorus, Brass and Organ at Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church, 44 Main Street, Binghamton. Madrigal Choir of Binghamton. More info at www.madrigalchoir.com or www.facebook.com/MadrigalChoir

- ◆ **Sunday, October 16 - 2:00 pm** - Pop Pipes: SEASONS at the Forum Theater, Binghamton with Nancy Wildoner at the organ with vocalists, Judy Giblin and Randy Messing. At the door, AGO members receive the BTOS member ticket price of \$15. See www.BinghamtonTOS.org for details.
- ◆ **Sunday, November 13 - 6:00 pm** - Organ recital by Tim Smith at Trinity Episcopal Church, Binghamton followed by Candle Chant sung by the women of the Trinity choir.
- ◆ **November 20 - 3:00 pm** - A recital in our Young Artist Series by Katherine Jolliff, a sophomore at Eastman, at Central United Methodist Church, 17 Nanticoke Avenue, Endicott.

YOUNG ARTIST SERIES...

On Sunday, November 20 at 3:00 pm, our chapter's Young Artist Series will continue with an organ recital by Katherine Jolliff at Central United Methodist Church, Endicott.

Katherine is a young organist from Indianapolis, Indiana. She began piano studies at the age of 5 and started learning the organ in her freshman year of high school from Marco Petricic (UIndy). After completing her first two years of high school, she finished her studies at Interlochen Arts Academy. She majored in both piano performance and organ performance and studied organ with Tom Bara. Graduating with honors and the Fine Arts Award in Organ Performance, Katherine is currently attending Eastman School of Music as an organ performance major. In addition to being declared a winner at the Regional Competition for Young Organists Competition, she has also won first prize in the East Carolina University Young Artists Competition in organ performance (including the Bach Interpretation Prize and the Hymn Playing Award) as well as first place in the 2021 M. Louise Miller and Paul E. Knox Scholarship Competition and the Taylor Organ Competition.



RECITAL PROGRAM

Festival Toccata
Percy Fletcher

Trio Sonata in E Minor #4 mvmt II: Andante
J.S. Bach

Fantasia and Fugue in G Minor BWV 542
J.S. Bach

Fireflies
Aaron David Miller

Sonata #4 in Bb Major Op 65 #4
Felix Mendelssohn

Pilgrim's March from Tannhauser
Wagner/Liszt

Fete
Jean Langlais

JOB OPENING...

Christ Church, Episcopal in Cooperstown, NY (607) 547-9555 currently has a job opening for Director of Music. Hours are negotiable according to specific skills, at least 15 hours a week. Compensation is \$15,000 - \$20,000 plus housing. For a complete detailed job description please email our dean, John Holt JHolt@stny.rr.com

FROM YOUR EDITOR...

Greetings AGO members!

Autumn has arrived in the Southern Tier with cooler temperatures and lots of rain and clouds! I have always loved this season; not only because of the weather change but also because the music ministry groups resumed rehearsals for the new season. As the first anniversary of my retirement date approaches, I have fond memories of past autumns where I excitedly waited to see if my recruitment effort had brought forth new members, distributed newly ordered music and created schedules for all groups.

Fall is definitely a graced time for organists and all church musicians. May this colorful month bring us delight and give us motivation to be the best we can be!

Nancy

