



December 2023

## From the Dean

Guild Members and Friends,

Greetings! Thank you Jim Nord for hosting the November program at Good Shepherd. I hope you all enjoyed Don Salier's presentation as much as I did. The dinner and our fellowship together was wonderful too! Reminder - as we move into December, we won't have a program this month, as we are all so busy. We do look forward to meeting at Bill Dolen's House on January 5, 2024 for our Annual Epiphany Party! The address is 1016 Milledge Road, Augusta, GA. This is potluck, and please bring a beverage to share if you prefer wine, etc. It begins at 6:30 pm.

February - Check your calendar and make sure you have Saturday, February 17th at 3 pm listed. Instead of a regular meeting, our chapter is hosting the Southeast Competition Winner from our convention this year, Abigail Crafton in Concert at St John United Methodist Church, 736 Greene Street. A big thanks to host Jamie Garvey for this event! There will be a reception afterwards, and I hope you can make this, as we support our younger organists and lift up this craft in our area. Please advertise it in your churches and encourage any piano or music student you know to attend. I will send something out in January that you can put in your church newsletters and any business that needs to be taken care of for the chapter will be listed in the February newsletter. I pray your December is full of blessings and that the music you bring in your settings is deeply appreciated. I am thankful for each one of you, and wish you a blessed and beautiful season as we head into the shorter days of the year. See you in the new year!

Kathleen

# Upcoming opportunities for lifelong learners



## THIRD ANNUAL Religious Arts Festival

**FEBRUARY 2-3, 2024**

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Columbia, SC

Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC

### REGISTRATION

Registration is \$125 per person and includes Friday evening recital and receptions, all workshops and masterclass, and Saturday's continental breakfast and catered lunch.

For the recital only, the charge is \$10 per person at the door; LTSS students are free.

[lr.edu/religious-arts-festival](http://lr.edu/religious-arts-festival)



Janette Fishell



Michael Boney



Edmund Tompkins

Join us February 2-3, 2024 for our third annual Religious Arts Festival. This two-day event is designed for both part-time and full-time church musicians seeking to broaden their knowledge and practical skills. We welcome:

Janette Fishell, Organ recitalist and Organ clinician  
Organ Professor at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music

Michael Boney, Organ recitalist and Choral clinician  
Director of Music at St. John's Cathedral in Denver, CO

Edmund Tompkins, Handbell clinician  
Minister of Music at Morning Star Lutheran Church, Matthews, NC

This event is sponsored in part by Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary (The Anna Fisher Endowment) in collaboration with The SC Chapter of the Fellowship of Worship Artists, Greater Columbia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC.

#### For questions, contact:

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## AGO Marketplace

### Schulmerich Handbells for Sale

Ring in the new year with three octaves of great-used condition handbells from Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Gloves and Mallets are included. The price is \$2,500 per set, or best offer. Used sets online range around \$2,600-2,900.

Contact José Reyes-Ortiz, (832) 388-7657, [jose@themostholytrinity.org](mailto:jose@themostholytrinity.org)

Case A • 1st Octave C5-C6  
Case B • 2nd Octave G4-B4 & C#6-G6  
Case C-3 • 3rd Octave C4-F#4  
Case C-4 • 3rd Octave G#6-C7



### Allen Organ available - FREE

A partially functioning vintage Allen Organ located at First Baptist Church in Evans is available for free. The church has been advised that parts are not available to repair it. Could use console for a Hauptwerk virtual pipe organ conversion. Contact Phillip Hedgecoth, (706) 951-7235

## Size 9 Ladies Organ Master Shoes - FREE

A like new pair of organ master shoes is available free of charge from Wilma Franz. She can be reached at: [wilmafranz40@gmail.com](mailto:wilmafranz40@gmail.com)

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## Evensong at St. Thaddeus



The Choir at St. Thaddeus under the direction of Don Dupee commemorated the faithful departed with an Evensong on Thursday, November 2nd. The service also marked the beginning of the Rev. Dr. Marshall Jolly's time as rector at St. Thaddeus. We wish Rev. Jolly, Don, and the St. Thaddeus parish well as they begin ministry together.

## Upcoming Events

### **Tuesday, December 5th - 7:30pm**

#### **A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols**

The Guild of Sacred Heart Cultural Center presents this annual Christmas event under the direction of Keith Shafer and based on the traditional English Christmas program that originated at King's College Chapel, Cambridge University, England. This night will feature leaders in the community as readers of the nine lessons and the choirs of Trinity on the Hill Methodist Church under the direction of Kevin Pollock singing a collection of carols and hymns. Tickets: \$25

Purchase tickets **ONLINE** on Ticket Leap or please call 706-826-4700

### **Saturday, December 9th - 7:30pm**

#### **Augusta Choral Society presents A Holiday Celebration**

Guest conductor Dr. Marcel Ramalho leads the choral society in Handel's Messiah - Part One, and Margaret Bond's *The Ballad of the Brown King*. Melissa Schultz will be the featured soprano soloist for the Messiah. Tickets are \$35 for Adults, \$30 for Seniors, \$15 for Students. Visit [augustacs.org](http://augustacs.org) for more information.

### **Sunday, December 10th - 4:30pm & 6:30pm**

#### **Lessons and Carols**

Choirs & Orchestra

Dr. Leigh Fleury, conductor

First Presbyterian Church - 642 Telfair St. Augusta

### **Sunday, December 10th - 6pm**

#### **Christmas at First**

Choir & Orchestra

Dr. Ryan Heritage, conductor

First Baptist Church - 3500 Walton Way Ext. Augusta

### **Monday, December 11th - 7pm**

#### **South Aiken High School Choir Concert**

St. Paul Lutheran Church - 961 Trail Ridge Road, Aiken

### **Thursday, December 14th - 7pm**

#### **North Augusta High School Combined Choirs' Winter Concert**

Chris Leysath, Director

Grace United Methodist Church - 639 Georgia Ave, North Augusta

**Thursday, December 14th - 7pm**  
**Aiken Singers Holiday Concert**

Josh Edwards, conductor

St. John's United Methodist Church - 104 Newberry St. NW Aiken

**Friday, December 15th - 6:30pm**  
**Merry Christmas! Christmas Piano Duets and Solos**

Program features Christmas carols adapted for piano 4-hands. Composers include Faure, Bach, Camille Saint-Saëns, Louis-Claude Daquin, and more.

Pianists: Justin Hornsby & Jolene Long

Parish Hall of Church of the Good Shepherd - 2230 Walton Way, Augusta

**Friday, December 15th - 7pm**  
**Aiken Civic Orchestra: 'Tis the Season Holiday Concert**

St. Paul Lutheran Church - 961 Trail Ridge Road, Aiken

**Sunday, December 17th - 11am**  
**Service of Lessons and Carols**

Chris Leysath, Director of Music & Organist

Grace United Methodist Church - 639 Georgia Ave, North Augusta

**Sunday, December 17th - 4pm**  
**South Boundary Singers Christmas Concert**

First Presbyterian Church of Aiken - 224 Barnwell Ave NW, Aiken

**Sunday, December 17th - 6:30pm**  
**A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols**

The Good Shepherd and St. Gregory Choirs directed by James Nord.

2230 Walton Way, Augusta

**Sunday, December 17th - 7pm**  
**Bach Magnificat**

Choirs & Orchestra

Jose Reyes-Ortiz, Conductor

Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church - 720 Telfair Street Augusta

**Sunday, December 24th - 7:30pm**  
**Traditional Christmas Eve Worship with candle-lighting**

Organ selections from Bach, Buxtehude, and more

St. Paul Lutheran Church - 961 Trail Ridge Road, Aiken

## **Sunday, December 24th -10:30pm**

### **Concerts with a Cause: Christmas Eve Concert and Lessons and Carols**

St. John Choirs and Orchestra directed by Jamie Council Garvey

St. John United Methodist Church - 736 Greene Street, Augusta

## **Sunday, December 24th -11:30pm**

### **Midnight Mass**

Responses - Frank Deese

Service: Messe brève - Léo Delibes

Anthems: Bergers et Mages - Samuel Rousseau

The Oxen - Gerald Finzi

Gesu Bambino - Yon

Postlude: Epistle Sonata in C, K 278 - Mozart

Frank Deese, Parish Musician

St. Mary Help of Christians - 138 Fairfield Street SE, Aiken

## **Saturday, February 17th - 3pm**

### **Abigail Crafton in recital**

First Prize Winner of the AGO Quincy Southeast Regional Competition for Young Organists in concert.

St. John United Methodist Church - 736 Greene Street, Augusta

## **Sunday, March 3rd -7pm**

### **Concerts with a Cause: The Georgia State University Singers**

Hear the award-winning Georgia State Singers with Augusta's beloved Davidson Chorale and Harmonix.

The Cause: ReStart Augusta

St. John United Methodist Church - 736 Greene Street, Augusta

## **Sunday, March 9th - 8pm**

### **Paul Jacobs in recital**

Organ professor of the Juilliard School in concert as part of the Joye in Aiken Festival.

Ticketed event with limited seating. Visit [joyeinaiken.com](http://joyeinaiken.com) for ticket information.

St. Thaddeus Episcopal Church - 125 Pendleton Street, SW, Aiken

## Chapter Officers and board members:

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