

Suffolk Soundings

The Newsletter of the Suffolk Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

Chapter Officers

Dean

Matthew Koraus, FAGO
(516) 672-9939

Sub-Dean and Webmaster

Ray Henderson, CAGO
(516) 334-9283

Secretary

Joan Wingerter
(631) 757-0722

Treasurer

Janet Pinto
(631) 547-1317

Certification

Deanna Muro, CAGO
(631) 361-3393

Placement

Christopher Cusumano
(631) 271-4635

Professional Development

Helen Kegerreis
(631) 423-0701

Publicity

Paul Elsener
(631) 581-7111

Registrar

Eleanor Gould
(631) 234-3342

Scholarship Chair

Dr. Joan Daly-Lewis
(631) 928-5669

Members-At-Large

Thom Bohlert, FAGO
(631) 361-3393
Paul Eschenauer, CAGO
(516) 676-4889

Chaplain

The Rev. David J. Ware
(516) 692-6368, ext. 1



*from the Dean
and the Executive Board*

Next Chapter Meeting:

Monday, January 19th, 1pm

"I SING AS I ARISE TODAY"

The Music of David Hurd

presented by Dr. David Hurd

at the Congregational Church of Manhasset

1845 Northern Blvd., Manhasset, NY 11030,





Chapter Programs at a Glance

Mon., 1/19, 1pm:
The Music of David Hurd
David Hurd, presenter
Congregational Church, Manhasset

Fri., 2/6, and Sat., 2/7:
Children’s Choir Festival
Andrea Baxter, clinician
St. James Lutheran, St. James NY

Sun., 2/22, 3pm:
Member’s Recital
a joint program with Nassau Chapter
Congregational Church, Manhasset

Sat., 3/7, Times TBA
East End Organ Crawl
East Hampton Presbyterian Church
and the Whalers’ Church, Sag Harbor

Fri., 3/20, 3pm:
Scholarship Auditions
St. Patrick RC Church, Huntington

Sun., 5/3, 3:30pm:
Scholarship Recital
Scott Montgomery, recitalist
St. Patrick RC Church, Huntington



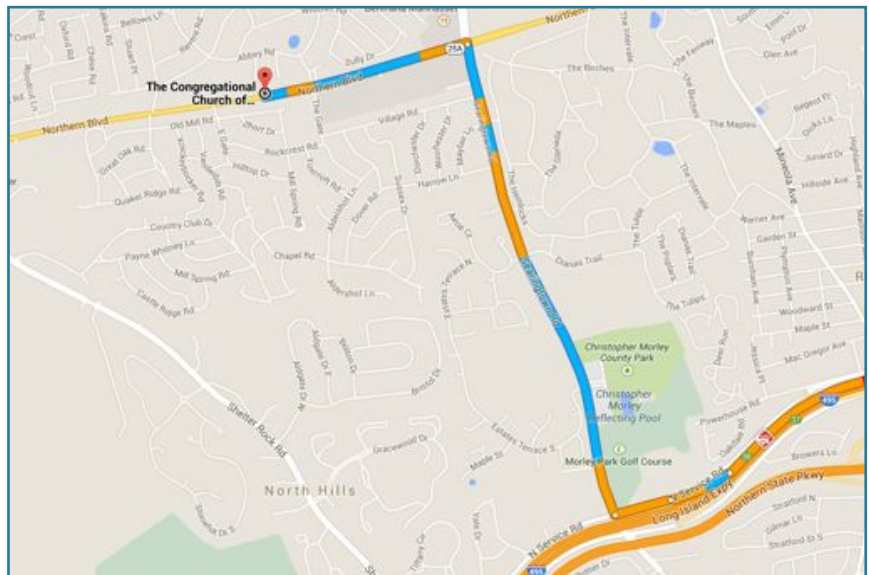
Chapter Programs In-Depth

Monday, Jan. 19, 2015, 1 pm
“I SING AS I ARISE TODAY:”
The Music of David Hurd



World-renowned organist and composer Dr. David Hurd, will present a reading and discussion of his original hymns and anthems, with reference to their construction, liturgical application, and how they came to be. Much of David’s work is published by GIA Publications, and a number of his hymns are included in the Episcopal Hymnal, 1982.

David is an NY native, born in Brooklyn and raised in Queens, and has held a number of prominent positions in NYC, as director of music at at the Chapel of the Intercession, All Saints Church, and the Church of the Holy Apostles. Since 1976 he has been a faculty member at The General Theological Seminary where he is currently Professor of Church Music and Director of Chapel Music.



Directions: From the east, take the LIE to Exit 36 for Searingtown Rd. Turn right (north) on Searingtown Rd. Drive approx. 1 mile and turn left on Northern Blvd. Go approx. ½ mile. The church will be on the right, corner of Northern Blvd. and Copley (across from the Americana shopping center). Turn right on Copley and take a left into the church parking lot.

Chapter Programs (continued)

Fri., Feb. 6 and Sat, Feb. 7, 2015 2015 Children's Choir Festival, with Andrea Baxter

Please consider registering your children's choir for this extraordinary event. See page 5 for more information!!



Sun., Feb. 22, 2015, 3pm Members' Recital

AGO members of Suffolk, Nassau, and Queens Chapters will present a program of diverse works for organ at the Congregational Church of Manhasset, on church's the newly refurbished 1961 Aeolian-Skinner (Opus 1369) of four manuals and 69 ranks.

Members who did not perform on last year's recital are especially encouraged to participate this year. Each performer's presentation must be no longer than 8 minutes. Please contact chapter dean Matthew Koraus at matthewkoraus@gmail.com if you would like to perform on this program. Do so quickly, as spots are filling up fast!

Placement

All job seekers are encouraged to speak with the previous organist prior to accepting a long-term engagement.

The Community Church of Syosset

36 Church St., Syosset, NY 11791-2605

Position: Part-Time Organist/Choir Director

Salary: up to \$18,000, depending on experience and ability

One weekly mid-week evening rehearsal. Sunday a.m. rehearsal and Service of Worship, extra services for Holy Week and Christmas; funerals and weddings fees separate. The organ is an Allen Quantum QL 120, two manual, full pedalboard, front and rear speakers and a MIDI Sound Module. A small church, with a choir of ten very-well trained singers. Send resume and letter of interest to the Rev. Robert W. Gunn, Ph.D., Pastor by mail or email at pastor.uccsyosset@gmail.com. For further information, use the same email or call the church office at 516-921-2240.

Other Programs of Note

Weds., Dec. 10 & 17, 12 noon *Advent Organ Recitals*

Given by Dr. Carol Weitner at the Congregational Church of Patchogue, 95 East Main Street. Free. Lunch available for \$7 or bring your own.

Friday, Dec. 12th, 7 pm *Handbell Concert*

Long Island reSound in their debut performance. At 1st Presbyterian of Babylon, 79 East Main Street, Babylon. Free admission. For more info visit www.longislandresound.com

Friday, Dec. 12, 7:30pm *Lessons and Carols*

At Our Lady of Perpetual Help RC Church, 210 South Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst.



Sunday, Dec. 14, 3:30 pm *Lessons and Carols*

featuring the Adult Chorale and Youth Choir of the Church of St. Patrick, with music by Cleobury, Handel, Pearsall, Rheinberger, Victoria, Willcocks, and more. Matthew Koraus, Director of Music. The Church of St. Patrick is located at 400 Main Street, Huntington NY 11743. (631) 385-3311, ext. 365. Free. More info at <http://stpatrickhuntingtonmusic.weebly.com>

Sunday, Dec. 14, 4 pm *Lessons and Carols*

featuring the St. Peter's Parish Choir, with Brass and Organ. Mark Engelhardt, Director of Music. At St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, 500 South Country Rd, Bayshore. (Free Will Offering)

Sunday, Dec. 14, 6:30 pm *Christmas Concert*

featuring the Music Ministry of Saints Philip and James. At Saints Philip and James RC Church, 1 Carow Place, Saint James.

Sunday, Dec. 14, 7 pm *Advent/Christmas Concert*

featuring choral favorites of the season, sung by the Chamber, Teen, Children, and Handbell Choirs of St. Joseph's Church, King's Park. Deanna Muro, Director. At St. Joseph's RC Church, 59 Church St., Kings Park.

Suffolk Soundings

is published in Suffolk County, Long Island, New York, by the Suffolk Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. It is published nine times a year, monthly from September to June (December/January combined issue).

**Deadline for submissions:
the 15th of the month prior**

Submissions: Please send submissions in publishable form to Matthew Koraus at matthewkoraus@gmail.com. Submissions are subject to editing.

maestro

music center

2813 N Jerusalem Rd, East Meadow, NY 11554
516-644-2910

maestrocenter@optonline.net

RODGERS



ROLAND
CLASSIC

The Premier Organ & Classical Keyboard Resource
Sales, Service, Installations, Pipe-Integration

www.maestromusiccenters.com



Proudly Serving New York and New Jersey for over
Forty Years

Foley ~ Baker Inc.

Quality Pipe Organ Services

Since 1968

www.foleybaker.com

800-621-2624

Announcing the Suffolk Chapter, American Guild of Organists
2015 CHILDREN’S CHOIR FESTIVAL
ANDREA BAXTER, GUEST CONDUCTOR



February 7, 2015 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
 Directors Workshop – February 6, 2015 7:30 pm
 St. James Lutheran Church, St. James
 You and your Children’s Choir are invited to participate in Suffolk AGO annual Children’s Choir Festival under the direction of conductor Andrea Baxter

Andrea Baxter currently serves as the Associate Director for Music at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lansdale, PA. Her primary responsibilities include direction of the children’s music ministry, which provides opportunities for children ages three through twelfth grade, direction of the handbell program, and leading one of Trinity’s four weekly worship services from the piano. She received a Bachelor of Music degree in music education from Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA, and a Master of Music degree in choral conducting from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA. Ms. Baxter has contributed devotions and articles to *The Chorister* and other publications such as *Cross Accent*, the journal of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians. She also regularly conducts children’s choir festivals and provides workshops, particularly around the topic of the importance of children in worship.

The festival features music chosen to be useful in your local church throughout the liturgical year:

- “I’m going to Sing with Over My Head” – Terry Taylor, CGA1326
- “Good News is in the Air” – Hal Hopson, Augsburg Fortress, ED004387
- “Hodie Christus Natus Est – Michael Bedford, CGA 421*
- “My Song is Love Unknown” – Carolyn Jennings, CGA559
- “Easter Song” – John Horman, CGA768*
- “Song of Hope” – Robert Hobby, Morning Star Music, MSM-50-8112A

*These pieces were done at a previous festival; past participants may already have the music.

The festival will include rehearsals from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and a festival service open to the public at 3:00 p.m. Each church is asked to help fund this project with a registration fee of \$75.00. All choirs are invited, regardless of size! If you are interested in participating please return this registration form to: Helen Kegerreis, #1 Craig Drive, Huntington Station, NY 11746, by November 30, 2014. More detailed information about the festival will be sent to you later or you may call Helen (631-423-0701) or Deanna Muro (631-361-3393).

Suffolk AGO 2015 Children’s Choir Festival Registration Form

Name _____ Yes, we will participate in this year’s festival.
 Please send info.

Church _____

Address for mailings _____ We are interested, send more information.

_____ Email address _____

Phone _____ Approximate number in choir _____

If you know of a church choir who might be interested in participating, please list the church, pastor or choir director, and their address, phone number and/or email address so we might send them information about the festival.



Eleanor Gould
437 Ralph Avenue
Central Islip, NY 11722-1831
Address Service Requested

SuffolkAGO