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A Message from the Dean

Greetings!

Our two October events, the masterclass on “Organ Technique for Pianists” and the annual Organ Expo for youth, were both successful. A hearty “thank you” must be extended to Paul Phinney, music director of St. Kilian’s RC Church, Farmingdale. On the day of the masterclass, Paul realized that St. Kilian’s had accidentally double-booked another event, and at the last minute he was able to make arrangements with the neighboring St. Thomas Episcopal Church so that they would host us that evening instead. Thanks also to Rev. Christine Petersen-Snyder of St. Thomas Church.

Organ Expo was very well attended, with over a hundred in the pews and fifty youth participants. A number of the students who came up to play the instrument during the “open console” segment of the program were quite talented and had pieces that they prepared for the occasion. Let us hope they and their parents take advantage of the resources offered at the Expo, and that we will see them soon in our scholarship program!

Once again, as the Chant Workshop with Fr. Columba Kelly has been postponed, there is no chapter-sponsored event this November. I encourage you to look through our “Other Programs of Note” page, as there are a number of great events taking place this month and next.

Please also plan on attending our next chapter event on Monday, Jan. 19th, a workshop on the music of Dr. David Hurd, presented by the composer himself!

Best wishes, and see you soon,

Matthew Koraus

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

Feb., Date and Time TBA:

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

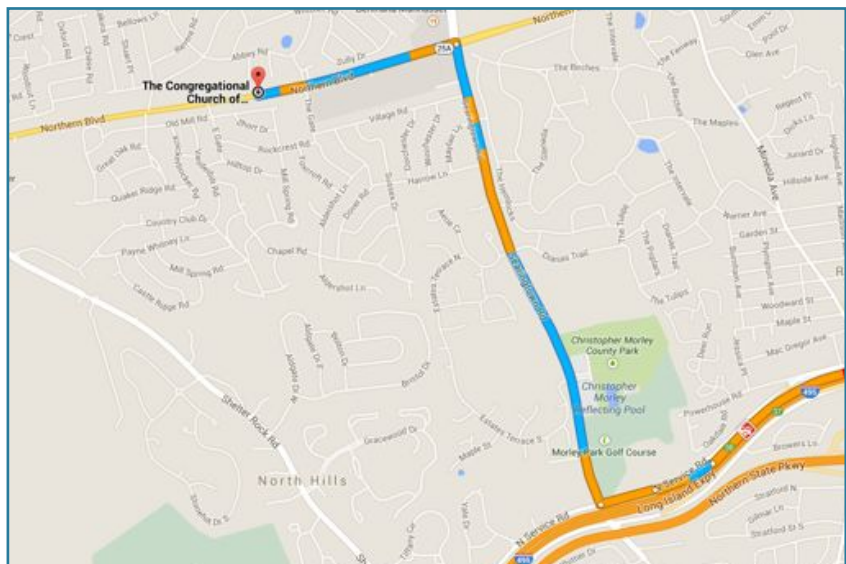
"I SING AS I ARISE TODAY:"

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.



Membership Directory, 2014-2015

The 2014-2015 Members' Directory will be published in late November. Please be sure to renew your membership as soon as possible so that the Directory will be accurate. **Please also consider supporting your chapter by purchasing an ad in the Directory. Advertisement forms may be found on page 8 of this month's Suffolk Soundings.**

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. 1/2 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.

Other Programs of Note

Weds., Nov. 12 at 12:30pm

Organ Recital

Given by Dr. Carol Weitner, at First Presbyterian Church, 330 Main St. Northport.



Sunday, Nov. 16 at 3pm
VOXAQUARUM quartet

Long Island's newest professional vocal quartet, with music by Bach, Bruckner, Palestrina, Purcell, Rheinberger, and others. Katrina Montagna, soprano; Chelsea Laggan, alto; Matthew Koraus, tenor; and Brian Goff, bass. At St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, 500 South Country Rd, Bayshore. \$20/\$15

Sunday, Nov. 16 at 3pm
American Brass Quintet

Concert at St. John's Church in Cold Spring Harbor (Rte. 25A, behind the fish hatchery). Suggested donation: \$20; students and children free.

Sunday, Nov. 23, at 4 pm
Illumine in Concert.

Chris O'Hara, trumpet; Sarah Moyer, coloratura soprano; and Mark Engelhardt, Organ / Harpsichord. At St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, 500 South Country Rd, Bayshore. \$20/\$15

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)



Weds., Dec. 10 and 17:
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.

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>

Placement

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

First Congregational Church of Essex Junction

1 Church St., Essex Junction, VT 05452

Position: Part-Time Organist/Choir Director

Salary: between \$17,000 and \$23,000

Direct the Adult Choir & Women's Choir, and play the organ and piano for two weekly services. The church features a beautifully refurbished 1928 Estey organ as well as Young Chang baby grand piano. Send cover letter & resume to Pat Seaver care of First Congregational Church, at address above, or email to musicdirectorfccejsearch@fccej.org.



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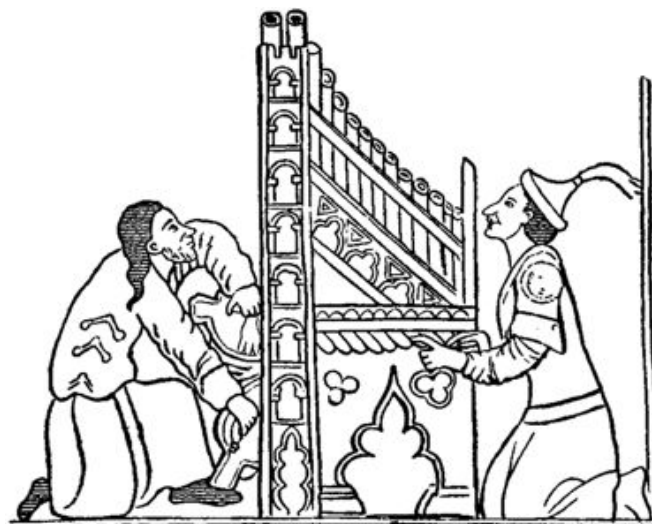
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Announcing the Suffolk Chapter, American Guild of Organists
2015 CHILDREN’S CHOIR FESTIVAL
ANDREA BAXTER, GUEST CONDUCTOR



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.

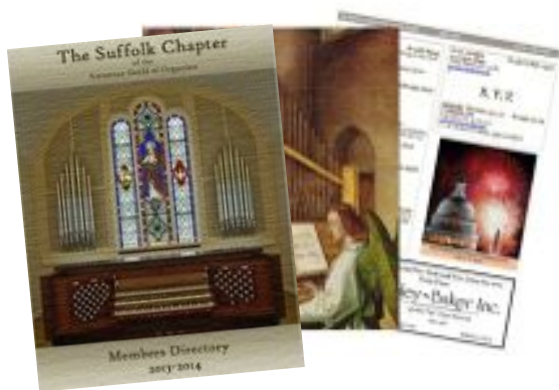
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If you have any questions, please contact Matt Koraus, at matthewkoraus@gmail.com or (516) 672-9939.

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