



# Principal Pipings

J.S. Bach

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Anna Magdalena Bach

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2011 Regional Convention

2016 Pipe Organ Encounter

Lexington Organ Book

Orgelbüchlein

Charles Wesley

John Wesley

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Crosby, Stills & Nash

Praise Band

Bitchin' Guitar Riff

Vox Celeste

Steiner Phone

St. Cecilia

St. Apollonia

Max Reger 100th

Martin Luther 500th

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Pachelbel Canon in D

Mendelssohn Wedding March

In-a-gadda-da-vida

César Franck

C.M. Widor

Louis Vierne

Marcel Dupré

National Anthem

My Old Kentucky Home

U.K. Tournament Pep Band

U.K. Bat Cats Organist

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AGO Music Madness

# Upcoming Events

**MON / 3.6.17**

7.30p

**SAT / 3.11.17**

9.30a Gathering

10.00a Workshop

AGO Sponsored Program

**SUN / 3.19.17**

3.30p Concert

4.00p Evensong

**SUN / 3.19.17**

4.30p Concert

5.00p Evensong

**SUN / 3.19.17**

5.00p

**TUE / 3.21.17**

12.20p-12.50p

**SAT / 3.25.17**

11.00-6.00p

**SUN / 3.26.17**

3.00p

**FRI / 3.31.17**

8.00p

**SUN / 4.9.17**

4.00p

**TUE / 4.11.17**

12.20p - 12.50p

**SAT / 4.22.17**

2.00p

**Katelyn Emerson, organ**

Church of the Ascension, Knoxville, TN

**Wilma Jensen Workshop: Developing and Maintaining Natural Keyboard Technique**

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Lexington, KY

**Concert, Na Skylark Trio, Lorinda Jones, harp, Cathy Wilde, Irish uilleann pipes, Larry Green, Hardanger fiddle Evensong, The Cathedral Choir**

Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, KY

**Dr. Robert Bozeman, organ, and Solemn Choral Evensong**

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Lexington, KY

**Carolyn Craig, organ**

St. John's Episcopal Cathedral, Knoxville, TN

**Jane Johnson, organ**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Campbellsville, KY

**Bach Marathon**

Maxwell St. Presbyterian, Lexington, KY

**Katelyn Emerson, organ**

St. Catherine of Siena Church, Cincinnati, OH

**Kentucky Bach Choir Spring Concert / UK Chorale**

Cathedral of Christ the King, Lexington, KY

**Gabriel Fauré's Requiem, Choir of Men and Boys**

Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, KY

**Wesley Roberts, organ**

Ransdell Chapel, Campbellsville University, Campbellsville, KY

**Audrey Rooney Vocal Competition**

First Presbyterian Church, Lexington, KY

# Upcoming Events

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SAT / 4.22.17

7.30p

**Embraceable Earth: Love for Our Planet**  
**Lexington Chamber Chorale**

Second Presbyterian Church, Lexington, KY

MON / 4.24.17

3.00p

**Carolyn Craig, Junior Recital**

Auer Hall, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

SUN / 4.30.17

**David Briggs, organ - POSTPONED**

## Wilma Jensen Workshop This Weekend

SAT / 3.11.17      Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 533 E. Main Street, Lexington KY

9.30a   Coffee, juice and doughnuts

10.00a   Workshop

Don't miss this opportunity next weekend to meet and interact with an icon of the organ world -- **Dr. Wilma Jensen!** Wilma will be offering her workshop, entitled "Developing Natural Keyboard Technique and Maintaining It for Life." She is the Organist/Choirmaster Emerita of St. George's Episcopal Church in Nashville.

Wilma will be demonstrating several different styles of keyboard "touch," with examples drawn from the organ literature. Following the workshop, plan on hanging around and joining Wilma and friends for lunch!

This workshop promises to be highly informative, as well as great fun. Be sure to mark your calendars, and plan on joining us. As always, guests are encouraged!

## David Briggs Recital Postponed

Our friend **Neva Thompson** has informed us that April's AGO Program, featuring recitalist **David Briggs**, originally scheduled for April 30, at Trinity Episcopal Church in Danville, will be postponed until a later date. No additional information is available at this time.

## Coming Soon: 2017 Yearbook Addendum

The 2017 Addendum to the Chapter Yearbook will be coming soon! Be watching your inboxes later this month. This is also your final reminder to submit any changes of contact information (address, phone, email) to Dean **Larry Sharp** right away!

## New Member Spotlight: Edwin Tait

**Dr. Edwin Tait**, of Richmond, is one of our newest LexAGO Members. Although Edwin's doctorate is in religion, he also studied piano while in college. Seven years ago, he began playing the organ for a small Episcopal church in Indiana.

More recently, Edwin and his family have moved to Richmond. His wife, **Jennifer**, is an Episcopal priest, serving in Hazard. Edwin does some freelance writing and helps with the children at home.

Edwin has started taking organ lessons again recently, and has substituted in several area churches. He hopes to take the AGO's Service Playing Examination in another year or two!

We welcome Edwin to the Lexington AGO!

## A Special Thanks to Chapter Members

The Lexington AGO wishes to THANK the following Members and Friends for their services to our Chapter, ABOVE and BEYOND the call of duty!

1. To **Mark DeAlba** (Central Baptist), **Bill Webber** (St. John's, Versailles), **Jon Johnson** (Good Shepherd), **Lisa Hall** and **Erich Balling** (Christ Church Cathedral), for going out of their way to host our last several Chapter Programs at their respective churches. Each were perfect hosts, and we appreciate their ongoing significant contributions to our Chapter!
2. To our "Christmas Pipes" performers, **Mark DeAlba**, **Grant Holcomb**, **Jane Johnson**, **Larry Sharp**, **Betsy Steiner** and **Anne Willis**. Not only did their musical selections help put everyone in the "holiday spirit," but also helped raise over \$400 for future POE scholarships!
3. To **Jane Johnson**, **Jon Johnson**, **Zach Klobnak**, **Bill Webber** and **J.R. Young**, for leading us through our January Organ and Choral Reading Session. Each lent his/her expertise in conducting and/or accompanying our mighty 20-voice "choir" that day. Well done, indeed!
4. To **Bruce Neswick** and **Malcolm Archer** for bringing their world-renowned musicianship to Lexington. It would be difficult to recall a more glorious month of choral Evensong services here in Lexington! Thanks, too, to **Jon Johnson**, **Bill Webber** and **Ruth Witt** for bringing their choirs together at Good Shepherd for a Festival Evensong led by **Bruce Neswick**, as well as to **Erich Balling** and **Lisa Hall** for their leadership at the Cathedral with special guest **Malcolm Archer**. Bravo!

# LexAGO News

## Two February Evensong Programs

One would be hard-pressed to recall such a spectacular month of choral Evensong services as we enjoyed in February!

For starters, **Bruce Neswick** made his long-awaited return to Lexington on the weekend of February 17-19. **Jon Johnson** served as our host organist at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church for Bruce's

Friday evening recital, followed by a Saturday morning Open Rehearsal with the massed choirs of Good Shepherd, St. Michael's and St. John's (**Bill Webber** and **Ruth Witt**, directors). This culminated in Sunday evening's Festival Evensong service, led by Bruce Neswick. What an experience!



The very next weekend, February 25-26, it was Christ Church Cathedral's turn to host **Malcolm Archer**. Again, Chapter Members and guests were invited to a Saturday morning Open Rehearsal of the Cathedral Choirs, under Malcolm's direction, followed by a Choral Evensong service on Sunday. **Erich Balling** and **Lisa Hall** served as our host organists for this memorable weekend.

Both weekend programs were well-attended. With five days of scheduled program activities from which to choose, it was gratifying to see and interact with so many different Chapter Members!

*Malcolm Archer at Christ Church Cathedral Evensong Service*

## Welcome New Member!

Sienna L. Stribling, Richmond, KY, siennalark@gmail.com

## Welcome to the EC, Angela Hurley!

We welcome **Dr. Angela Hurley** as our newest at-large representative of the LexAGO Executive Committee! Angela is a professor of education at Transylvania University and, on Sundays, serves as the organist at historic Walnut Hill Church in Fayette County. Angela is the co-chair of the EC's Hospitality Committee and will be completing the unfulfilled term of at-large representative (class of 2019), due to a recent vacancy in that position. We look forward to all that Angela has to offer our Chapter!

# Kroger Rewards

## LexAGO Partners with Kroger Community Rewards

BIG NEWS! Your Executive Committee has voted to partner with the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Nearly all of us have Kroger Plus cards in our wallets or on our keychains. Now, we can earn extra money for the Lexington AGO Chapter each time we shop at Kroger! Our thanks to our friends at Kroger and to LexAGO Treasurer **James Humlong** for making all of this possible!

Your EC requests that ALL LexAGO Members and Friends please consider participating. First, Chapter Members will need to sign up for a Kroger Plus card, or be sure to register the one you have online with the Lexington AGO's newly-assigned NPO number (79661). Instructions follow, below. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Treasurer James Humlong or **Dean Larry Sharp** right away!

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- *If a member does not yet have a Kroger Plus card, please let them know that they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.*
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# Kroger Rewards

## Kroger Community Rewards Program Sign-Up Instructions (Continued)

- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
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*Thank you,*

*The Community Programs Staff*

## Why I Am AGO-Certified

The AGO Colleague certificate is a worthwhile endeavor in my opinion, for no other reason than that it will sharpen your Sunday morning skills. The primary benefit for me was improved hymn playing; mine had gotten perfunctory ten years out of college. A screen was set up between the organ console and the examiners so that anonymity was maintained, important if one is self-conscious.

The Associate certificate was on a higher plane, half of the exam done at the organ and the written half [approx 3 hours] on a separate day. I would say the required pieces were at the graduate school level and

I was fortunate to have **John Courter**'s guidance in preparation. After the required pieces came transposing a chorale at sight, realization of figured bass, and sight reading on three staves. The exam would have been easier if I had taken it during or after college when one's knowledge of counterpoint, fugal writing, music history and ear training are fresher.

Submitted by **Roland Herzel**, AAGO, former LexAGO Registrar

## Why I Am an AGO Member

I am in AGO because it provides so many opportunities for listening to and learning about the organ and its literature. The leaders of our chapter have been exceptional in planning a wide variety of programs, with performances, presentations, workshops and music reading sessions. I applaud the way that the Lexington chapter has encouraged young organists, and I have appreciated the opportunity to develop friendships with other church musicians through AGO.

Submitted by **Dr. Kate Covington**, former LexAGO Registrar

## POE Scholarships Available

Thanks to some very generous donations made at December's "Christmas Pipes" Concert, and since, we are pleased to be able to offer financial assistance to our youth who may be interested in attending this summer's various Pipe Organ Encounters. If interested in applying for a POE Scholarship, please contact Dean **Larry Sharp** or Education Co-Chair **Jane Johnson**. Nearby POEs are scheduled in Sioux City, IA (June 11-16); Birmingham, AL (June 25-30); and Winchester, VA (July 23-27).

# For Fun

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## Trivia Contest

Welcome to the AGO Trivia Contest! This month, there are TWO ways for you to win!

1. Complete your brackets on page 1 of this newsletter. Send me your picks for the Sweet Sixteen, Elite Eight, Final Four, etc. The “winner” from each pairing will be determined by popular vote of those participating, with any “ties” being broken by the dean. Points will be awarded for each “correct” answer (i.e., 1 point for first-round responses, 2 points for second-round), and the overall winner will be announced in a future newsletter. The participating member with the highest “score” will receive a TEN DOLLAR GIFT CARD from the restaurant of his/her choice! The deadline for submissions will be March 31.
2. This month’s regular Trivia Question: Who Is St. Apollonia, and why is your Chapter Dean secretly hoping for a first-round UPSET over St. Cecilia? Be the FIRST to contact me with the correct answer, and you will win a prize!

Remember -- you can't win if you don't play! So, sharpen those pencils, all you AGO “Bracketologists,” and get busy!

Congratulations to LAST month's CO-winners, **Don Seavers** and **Anne Willis**! In honor of February's National Dental Health Month, Don and Anne both knew that “Doc Holliday” was the correct response concerning the infamous dentist from the “Wild West.”

## Bad Music Joke of the Month

In honor of the upcoming NCAA Basketball Tournament, here is this month's “Bad Joke!”

Q: Why do Gonzaga fans stop after 14 holes of golf?

A: Because they never make it to the Final Four!

## 2017 Great Lakes Regional Convention

The Youngstown, OH, Regional Convention is scheduled for July 2-5, 2017, and you will NOT want to miss out! Remember -- “Earlybird” registration ends on April 1.

For details visit <http://www.agoyoungstown.com/2017-convention.html>

## John Courter Memorial Library

When I first came to Union Church, over two years ago, I was informed that upon **John Courter's** passing, he had willed all of his organ collection to the church. After further investigating this request, it turns out that John wanted it to be used as a public library for members of the Lexington AGO Chapter. The collection has an unlimited amount of concert music, service music, reference books, etc.

We have had church volunteers working very diligently to organize and catalog the library for this purpose. After years of cataloging efforts, approximately 90% of the library is now organized, and we would like to make it available to the Lexington AGO. The parts of the collection that remain to be organized contain more organ reference books than music.

Union Church would love to partner with the Lexington AGO Chapter and work out a system for John's music collection to be used. I am frequently borrowing from it, and I'd love for others to benefit, as well. At this time, I am only inviting AGO members to browse and check out music. To reserve a time with me or our designated librarian, please email [gevans@union-church.org](mailto:gevans@union-church.org) or phone 859-779-8089. I do have an updated catalog, listing the music available. If you would like that sent to you, please contact me.

Thank you,

### **Gabriel Evans**

Director of Music Ministries

Union Church

## A Note from Marian Soule

Dear AGO Friends,

Certainly, I can't find enough, or adequate, words to send along a huge "thank you" for so much. You have expressed your concern in a most generous and caring way.

I must also add thanks for seeing that I receive a newsletter every month. It is much appreciated. Thinking back a long way, I recall the early days and being the AGO Secretary -- and doing the newsletter. I am also finding a number of hand-written notes from forty-five years ago. It's too bad I'm not better organized!

Many thanks, again, and best wishes for a great year ahead for the AGO,

--Marian Soule

## Mass in B-minor at Cathedral of Christ the King

On Friday, March 31, at 8:00 p.m., the UK Chorale (our top mixed choir) and the Kentucky Bach Choir are joining forces to present J. S. Bach's monumental Mass in B-minor at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Lexington! This is one of the most beloved, yet difficult, works in the choral repertoire, rarely heard because of its demands and challenges. Because of its incredible architecture, technical polish, and consistent quality, the Mass in B-minor has been called "One of the supreme achievements of classical music."

This is the first-ever collaboration of the UK Chorale and the Kentucky Bach Choir. **Marlon Hurst** and I are preparing our choirs independently and will join forces on the week of March 27. We will have a full baroque orchestra of 22 players playing, in some cases, period instruments.

2017 is the 500th anniversary of the German Reformation, a fact that puts Lutherans like Bach in a timely spotlight, so it is the perfect year for this masterpiece.

Thank you! **Dr. Jeff Johnson**

# *Music & Liturgy at Good Shepherd*

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**9 October 2016 at 4:30 p.m.**

Organ concert - Dr. Schuyler Robinson,  
followed by Festal Choral Evensong at 5:00 p.m.

**6 November 2016 at 5:00 p.m.**

All Saints' Concert featuring the Fauré *Requiem*

**18 December 2016 at 5:00 p.m.**

A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

**17 February 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

Organ Concert - Bruce Neswick

**18 February 2017, 10:00 – 12:30**

Open choir rehearsal under the direction of Bruce Neswick  
The choirs of Good Shepherd; St. John's, Versailles; & St. Michael's

**19 February 2017**

Choir Festival

11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist & 5:00 p.m. Festal Choral Evensong  
under the direction of Bruce Neswick

**19 March 2017 at 4:30 p.m.**

Organ concert – Dr. Robert Bozeman,  
followed by Solemn Choral Evensong at 5:00 p.m.

**7 May 2017 at 4:30 p.m.**

Oboe concert by Dr. ToniMarie Marchioni,  
followed by Festal Choral Evensong at 5:00 p.m.

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February 26

November 6

March 19

January 22

May 21

## Friday, December 2

7:30pm George Frideric Handel's *Messiah*  
with the Cathedral Choir

For ticket reservations visit  
[www.cclex.org/messiah](http://www.cclex.org/messiah)



## Sunday, December 18

7:00pm A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols  
with the Cathedral Choir

## Wednesday, December 21

Noon *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten  
Roseanna Shafer, harp and the Cathedral Girls  
Choir



## Palm Sunday, April 9

4:00pm Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem* with the Choir of  
Men and Boys



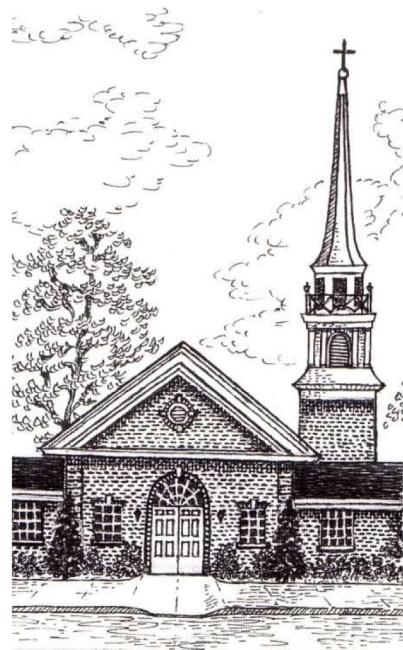
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Sunday, November 6	David Powell, oboe Telemann, Lynn Trapp
Sunday, November 27 Advent I	Bailey Yates, violin Rutter, Dandrieu, Bach
Sunday, December 4 Advent II	Advent Lessons & Carols SCAPA String Ensemble
Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve	Premiere of Original Organ Composition by John S. Dixon
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