



**SAN JOSE PIPINGS**  
 SAN JOSE CHAPTER OF THE AGO  
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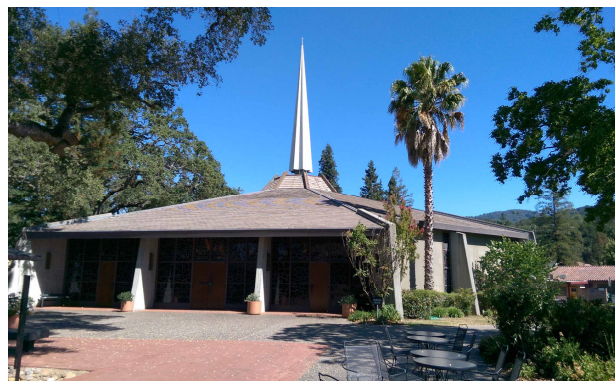
*Sub Dean's Message*

We have had quite the year here in the San Jose chapter! In addition to our regular yearly events, we were able to add something special this year. Our chapter was able to host Dr. John Walker in March for a wonderful recital and workshop. Many thanks go out to everyone who made this year successful whether it was helping kids play their first piece on the organ at PPP, or handing out programs at John Walker's recital. We were able to do so much this year because of everyone's help. For every event, we were more than enough hands to do the job! Thank you to everyone! May your summer be filled with music. See you in the fall!

*Diane Keller, Sub Dean*

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Our June event will be our annual **Hymn Sing and potluck dinner**. Join us for the Annual Meeting at **4:30 PM**, followed by a Hymn Sing/Recital at **5 PM** on Sunday, **June 10<sup>th</sup>** at the **Los Gatos United Methodist Church**, 111 Church St, Los Gatos. Bring a dish to share at our potluck dinner after the concert. Contact Diane Keller ([diane.keller@gmail.com](mailto:diane.keller@gmail.com)) if you have any



questions. **The new board members for next year will be installed at this meeting.** We really encourage you to attend. We have had a number of members join our group and we would really like to meet you and become acquainted with you. We have Hymn Sings with a Pot Luck Dinner in the past and

those who have attended have really enjoyed themselves.

**Chapter Officers for Next Year**  
 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

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| <p><b>Dean:</b> Diane Keller<br/> <b>Sub-Dean:</b> Susan Snook-Luther<br/> <b>Auditors:</b><br/>         Christine Merjanian<br/>         Laurel Rogers<br/> <b>Historian:</b> Valerie Sterk</p> | <p><b>Membership:</b> David Snook-Luther<br/> <b>Directory:</b> Kay Lee<br/> <b>Member at Large:</b> Michael Joyce<br/> <b>Secretary:</b> Darryl Parker<br/> <b>Treasurer/Registrar:</b> Janet Parent<br/> <b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Kenneth Talbot</p> |
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## 2018 Frasier Organ Scholarship Winner



Congratulations to **Dr. Howard Lee, the winner of the 2018 Frasier Organ Scholarship!** The Frasier auditions were held on Saturday afternoon, May 26, at Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church. Our San Jose AGO chapter will present Howard with the \$1,000 award and acknowledge him at a future AGO event. Howard has been invited to present an organ recital for our chapter sometime next year.

For his Frasier audition, Howard performed the Prelude in C Minor, BWV 549, by J.S. Bach; the Toccata from *Suite Gothique*, op. 25, by Léon Boëllmann; “Dans la Gloire des Invalides,” VIII, from *Eleven Versets for Solo Organ* by Marcel Dupré, and the hymn “The Church’s One Foundation” (*Aurelia*).

Howard has a passion for both music and medicine. He grew up in Buffalo, New York, where he studied in the piano studio of Irma Kordinak. Later, he attended Harvard College where he majored in chemistry, sang in the Glee Club, and studied choral conducting. While at Columbia University Medical School, Howard began studying the organ with George Stauffer, and currently studies with Dr. James Welch. Dr. Lee has held several organist positions, most recently at Saint Timothy’s Episcopal Church in Mountain View and Westminster Presbyterian Church in San Jose. Currently, he serves as the choir director at Valley Church in Cupertino, and pursues further conducting studies with Dr. Charlene Archibeque. Howard has received the AGO Service Playing Certificate and the Colleague (CAGO) certification. He plans to use the Frasier scholarship award toward further organ study and professional workshops.

Dr. Howard Lee is an oncologist and adjunct clinical assistant professor at Stanford. In his Frasier application, he wrote eloquently of his goals in studying music: “Dr. Albert Schweitzer has inspired me by his example as a physician, organist, and humanitarian. He has written that medicine is both science and art — the art of our individuality interacting with another. In my work with cancer and hospice patients, I find that the pursuit of music promotes compassion and empathy, and helps me to understand my patients as fellow humans who are struggling with the same questions about suffering, hope, and the meaning of life. Sharing in music is a unique way to connect with others.” Howard is active in international volunteer work overseas in Asia, and in his free time, he also enjoys swimming, sailing, and spending time with his wife and daughter.

Our San Jose AGO chapter extends sincere appreciation to Sophie Chang, Rani Fischer, and Diane Keller, who served as the three judges for this year's Frasier scholarship auditions. We also thank Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church for graciously allowing the Frasier applicants to practice and perform their audition pieces there. 🎵

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### Remember Your AGO Dues

The dues of most of our Chapter expire on 1 July 2017. AGO Headquarter will send you an email about two months before they expire. To renew, go to the headquarters web page ([www.agohq.org](http://www.agohq.org)) and click on “Renew” entry on the Membership category. Next login in with your Username and Password. Then select “Renew Dues & Subscriptions.” 🎵

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### Lothar Bandermand’s Arrangements

Lothar Bandermand has written a number (13) of variations of folk songs around the world for solo organ he is happy to share with you. The total number of pages is 90. Since copying costs are 10 cents/page, he would charge that if you want a hard copy. Otherwise he’ll send you per email the master so you can print them out at home for free.

Lothar. Email address: [lwbandermann@att.net](mailto:lwbandermann@att.net) 🎵

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### Organ Toccatas Collected By Lothar Bandermand

Lothar Bandermand has put together 4 CDs of 80 Organ Toccatas by old and modern composers\* and is happy to give copies away to anyone interested. Contact Lothar email: [lwbandermann@att.net](mailto:lwbandermann@att.net)

\*Lothar is only playing his own Toccatas. 🎵

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## OPEN POSITIONS

**St. John the Divine Episcopal Church** in Morgan Hill, CA, 17740 Peak Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Phone:** (408) 779-9510. **Organist/Pianist position** is opening in summer or fall. Organist will be the liturgical musician for two services on Sunday, accompanying congregational singing and the choirs. Positions also requires playing for rehearsals during choir season and for special liturgies and two choir retreats. Organist will work with our liturgical team and work closely with our Minister of Music. **Please send your resume and request for an interview to [sjdivinemh@verizon.net](mailto:sjdivinemh@verizon.net).**

Time involved: Thursday evening choir rehearsal (7:30 p.m. till 9 p.m.) during choir season (Labor Day week through Trinity Sunday). 9 a.m. Sunday liturgy is a young child friendly liturgy with contemporary music. 10:15 a.m. is a Choral Rite II liturgy. There are two Saturday morning choir retreats before Christmas and Easter and the special liturgies of Holy Week and Ash Wednesday. No rehearsal in the summer so time is average less than 5 ½ hours of on-site time per week. Familiarity with the Episcopal liturgy & liturgical calendar, the hymnals of the Episcopal Church and the service music and Mass settings would be helpful, though we are willing to teach one willing to learn.

We have a small pipe organ and the registration specs. are found at our music link: <https://stjohndivinemorganhill.org/music/>.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in this position, let them know about this opportunity. 🎵

**The Christian Science Church**, 201 Ravenswood Avenue, Menlo Park, has an opening for a **regular organist** on the 1st and 3rd Sundays and 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month. The services are at 10:00 AM on Sundays and 7:30 PM on Wednesdays. The Sunday service involves a prelude, offertory, postlude, 3 hymns and accompanying a singer in one solo. The Wednesday service involves a prelude and postlude plus 3 hymns. For further information please contact Alexandra Hawley - [flute@Stanford.edu](mailto:flute@Stanford.edu). 🎵

**Central United Methodist Church** is seeking an **accomplished organist** to play at worship services, accompany the Chancel Choir and other choirs, as well as musicians providing special music. The church Organist/Accompanist works collaboratively with the Chancel Choir Director and is accountable to the Senior Pastor and the Staff Parish Relations Committee.

The position is part time (4-5 hours/week average), 12-month, and an At-Will Position. Salary: \$10,642 annually. The organist is also expected to play for weddings, funerals/memorials at \$150/service.

Central United Methodist Church is located across the street from Morris Chapel and the Conservatory of Music of the University of the Pacific. Central has a long history of taking its program of traditional church music seriously.

The 1997 organ is a Rodgers 133 rank, 4 manual electronic instrument. The sounds of this digital organ are based on electronic sampling from a number of the great organs in Europe.

A complete job description can be found at: <http://cumcstockton.org/docs/organist.pdf>

Send Resume to: [central@cumcstockton.org](mailto:central@cumcstockton.org)

Central United Methodist Church 3700 Pacific Avenue Stockton, CA 95204. 209-298-8634 🎵

**Schola Cantorum of Silicon Valley** (founded in 1964) based in Mountain View, California is looking for a **Music/Artistic Director**. This position is supervised by a Board of Directors.

**Time Commitment:** Plan repertoire, lead rehearsals, dress rehearsals, concerts, events and outreach performances; position involves evening and weekend hours. Schola is an auditioned volunteer choral ensemble of about 75 singers supported by a professional part-time staff and a highly committed, volunteer Board of Directors. <https://scholacantorum.org/home>.

The Music/Artistic Director provides the artistic leadership of Schola Cantorum and is responsible for all artistic activities, including programming, hiring of instrumentalists and soloists and auditioning members. Music/Artistic Director embodies the artistic and musical vision, leads and inspires members and audience. The director must have the technical and teaching skills necessary to advance Schola's reputation for artistic excellence.

Position starts in June 2019, in preparation for Schola's 56th season. Please see the full Job Description referenced below:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1k3IM-JWUNU1-Qds3hrh56YrCJ6NHICY9t/view>. 🎵

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church**, 600 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto is looking for a **paid tenor section leader**. Contact James Welch @jameswelch@gmail.com for information. 🎵

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## MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR / ORCHESTRA

Monday, June 25, 2018 at 8 pm, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square will appear at the **Shoreline Amphitheatre, Mountain View**, for the first time ever. Often called "America's Choir", the Choir has given voice to the hopes and dreams of people around the world for over 150 years.

**Date: 25 June 2018 @ 8 PM**

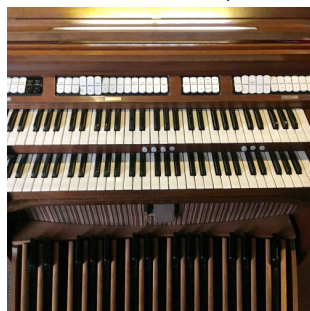
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Mountain View, CA

### Additional Event Information

The Choir will also be in Berkeley on 23 June and in Rohnert Park on 27 June. For details see <https://www.mormontabernaclechoir.org/tourtickets.html>

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## BALDWIN ORGAN FOR SALE BALDWIN ELECTRONIC ORGAN \$450 or best offer



This American made instrument (Model C630 Serial # 1809-B3) has two manuals, internal speakers and it comes with bench. It has been used and may have some signs of cosmetic wear, but it is fully operational. A complete pedal board will

allow you to practice organ techniques at the comfort of your home. You can play popular music or if your ambition is to play of the classical organ masters - on this instrument you can do both.

Potential buyers please call **John** at (925) 348-1284 or send me an e-mail to [janrudz@yahoo.com](mailto:janrudz@yahoo.com). The organ is located in San Leandro, CA.

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## FROM THE VOX HUMANA PUBLICATION

Here is an interesting article about an organ with **36 notes per octave**. This article has a short movie of the organ being played.

<https://www.voxhumanajournal.com/keller2018>.

<https://www.voxhumanajournal.com/> – main page address

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## HISTORIC ORGANS IN OAXACA, MEXICO

Part 1 – <https://www.voxhumanajournal.com/winter2018>

In this article there is a recording of a 1711 anonymous organ in Oaxaca Cathedral, Mexico.



Part 2 – <https://www.voxhumanajournal.com/winter2018b>

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### Next Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2017 at 7:30 PM

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## MUSIC CALENDAR CONTINUED

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### August 2018

#### 4 Saturday

**Erin McOmber**, soprano, **James Welch**, accompanist,  
**LDS Temple Visitor's Center**, 4766 Lincoln, Ave,  
Oakland, 7 PM, Free

#### 5 Sunday

**Chase Olson**, organ, **St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church**,  
28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel, CA, 3-4 PM, \$20

#### 5 Sunday

**Christopher Henley**, organ, **CSMA**, 4 PM

#### 5 Sunday

**Erin McOmber**, soprano, **James Welch**, accompanist,  
**The Annex, LDS Church**, 1105 Valparaiso Ave, Menlo  
Park, 7 PM, Free

#### 12 Sunday

**Pierre Zevort**, (France), organ, **CSMA**, 4 PM

#### 19 Sunday

**Chase Olson**, organ, **CSMA**, 4 PM

#### 26 Sunday

**Norman Paskowsky**, organ, **CSMA**, 4 PM

## AGO San Jose Music Calendar

### Venue Locations

**CSMA:** Cathedral of St Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

**GC:** Grace Cathedral, 1100 California St. San Francisco

SJCAGO> San Jose Chapter Event

MEM> San Jose Chapter Member

### Every Saturday at 4 PM

**Organ,** Legion of Honor, Lincoln Park, 34<sup>th</sup> Ave & Clement St., San Francisco.

Jonathan Dimmock – 23, 30, Jul 7, 14

John Walko – May 26, Jun 16, Jul 28

Angela Kraft Cross – Jun 2, 9, Aug 4

David Hegarty – Jul 21, Aug 11

### June 2018

#### **2 Saturday**

**Abraham Wilson**, piano, **A Children's Concert, Annex behind the LDS chapel**, 1105 Valparaiso Ave, Menlo Park, CA 94025, **4 PM – NEW EVENT** – Preview:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LTbunHtALU0> - Schumann: The Child Falls Asleep

#### **3 Sunday**

**Jackson Borges** (Rehoboth Beach, DE) piano., **CSMA, 4 PM**

#### **10 Sunday**

SJCAGO> **Annual Membership Meeting, 10 June, Los Gatos Methodist Church**, 111 Church Street, Los Gatos. **5 PM, Hymn Sing and Pot Luck Dinner – DATE CHANGE**

#### **10 Sunday**

**T. Paul Rosas**, organ, "Wagner & Friends.", **CSMA, 4 PM**

#### **10 Sunday**

**Rudy de Vos** (Cathedral of Christ the Light, Oakland), organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal Church**, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, **Evensong at 5 PM, Concert at 6:05 PM**

#### **15 Friday**

**Angela Kraft Cross**, organ, **St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church**, 28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel, CA, **7 PM, \$20**

#### **17 Sunday**

**Peter Sykes**, organ, **St. Bede's Episcopal Church**, 2650 San Hill Rd, Menlo Park, **4 PM, Free to all AGO members**

**Christoph Tietze**, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10**

#### **24 Sunday**

**Philip Smith**, (Disney Hall, LA), Organist, **CSMA, 4 PM**

**"Out of Formosa the Beautiful"**, **Hsiao-Yi Yu** (organist, composer), Works by Buxtehude, Mendelssohn, JS Bach, Alain, Held, & Mendelssohn, **Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph**, 80 S Market St, San Jose **1 PM, \$5** door donation, [www.NoonArtsAndLectures.org](http://www.NoonArtsAndLectures.org)

#### **25 Monday**

**Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Mountain View Shoreline Amphitheater**, <https://www.mormontabernaclechoir.org/tourtickets.html>

### July 2018

#### **1 Sunday**

**Karen Beaumont**, (Milwaukee WI), Spanish Organ Music, **CSMA, 4 PM**

#### **4 Sunday**

**Christoph Tietze**, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM**

#### **15 Sunday**

**Angela Kraft Cross**, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM**

#### **22 Sunday**

**Paul Fejko**, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM**

#### **29 Sunday**

**Roland Voit**, (Essen Germany) organ, "Anniversaries", **CSMA, 4 PM**

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