

SAN JOSE PIPINGS

SAN JOSE CHAPTER OF THE AGO

November 2019

www.agosanjose.org



Chapter Officers

Dean: Diane Keller

Sub Dean: Susan Snook-Luther

Secretary: Darryl Parker

Auditor/Budget:

Christine Merjanian Laurel Rogers

Handbook: Kay Lee

Education/Resources & Historian: Valerie Sterk

Members at Large:

David Snook-Luther - 2020 Michael Joyce - 2021 Elisabeth Pintar - 2022

Membership:

David Snook-Luther

Newsletter: Kenneth Talbot (408) 732-6094 kitalbot@pacbell.net Issue Deadline: 25th of month

Professional Concerns: Dick Coulter

Substitutes: Dick Coulter

Treasurer: Janet Parent

National Executive Director: James E. Thomashower

jet@agohq.org

National AGO President: Michael Bedford

Region IX Councillor:

Matthew Burt matthewburt@gmail.com

Northern CA District Convener:

John Karl Hirten jhirten@comcast.net

Organ Concert on the New Hauptwerke Virtual Organ St. Francis Episcopal in Willow Glen

A new Hauptwerke organ has been installed at **St Francis Episcopal Church** 1205 Pine Ave in San Jose. This currently has 5 different sample set of famous organs.



On the first Sunday in **November (3 Nov)** we have the opportunity to hear **Jonathan Dimmock** play the dedicatory recital on this organ at **5 PM**.

Jonathan Dimmock is well-known internationally as a concert soloist of exceptional merit. He is the Principal Organist at the Legion of Honor Museum, and Organist for the San Francisco Symphony. A graduate of Oberlin and Yale, he had the unique privilege of being the only

American to serve as Organ Scholar of Westminster Abbey under the tutelage of Simon Preston. His career in the United States included serving three Episcopal cathedrals: St. John the Divine (New York), St. Mark's (Minneapolis), and Grace (San Francisco).

On the first Sunday in **February (2 Feb) Angela Craft Cross** will be giving a recital on the St. Francis organ at **5 PM**.

On the first Sunday in May (3 May), Michael Burroughs will wind up his organ recital series at St. Francis by presenting an organ recital himself at 5 PM.

Elisabeth Pintar Concerts

Elisabeth Pinter is continuing her Annual Christmas Organ Concerts, the 13th



year, on 1 Dec 2019 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Kirk & Noreen Chapel, 1655 Noreen Drive, San Jose. The concert is titled "Love Came Down at Christmas". The concert starts at 7 PM, it is free, and there is a reception after the concert. She has also invited some of her friends to participate. Please bring a dish of goodies to share

She will also present a concert on 8 Dec 2019 at

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Saratoga, 14103 Saratoga Ave., Saratoga. She has invited **Erick Brown**, saxophone, and **Carol Flint**, handbells, to join her. The concert starts **7 PM**, it is free, and there is a reception after the concert. Please bring a dish of goodies to share.

New Hauptwerke Virtual Organ Demonstrated at St. Francis Episcopal in Willow Glen

St Francis Episcopal Church 1205 Pine Ave in San Jose is now home to a new virtual organ using Hauptwerk software. This instrument demonstrated by Michael Burroughs, Director of Music and Spiritual Life at St Francis on 13 October 2019. The first sample sets include organs from several countries and periods:

- St Lawrentius, Rotterdam (Marcussen & Son, 1973);
- St Michael's Church, Zwolle, Netherlands (Schniter, 1721/Flentrop, 1955);
- St Martin's Dudelange, Luxembourg (Stalhouth/Jann, 1912);
- St. Etienne, Caen (Cavaille-Coll, 1885);
- St Dominica, Reti, Italy (Dom Bedos organ by Fomentelli 2007).



Picture of the organ with the Rotterdam Sample set selected. The stop layout shown on the side panels display is the same thing you would see sitting on the bench of the actual instrument.

The organ, like three of the original sources for each sample set, is 4 manuals and range from 56 ranks up to 98. Michael demonstrated the Rotterdam and Schniter organs using their original and equal-temperament tuning by playing various pieces written for these instruments. The music played with the original tuning temperaments sounded clearer than when played with the equal-tuning temperament. ..

Douglas Franks Memorial Service May 13, 1949 - July 3, 2019

Saturday, Nov.9 at 4:00pm **All Saints Episcopal Church**

555 Waverly, Palo Alto

Douglas Franks, a longtime Bay Area church musician, was organist at Hope 16 years and member of the Palo

Lutheran, San Mateo for

Next Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting Tuesday 12th Nov, 2019 at 7:30 PM Valerie Sterk's Home: 2164 Talia Ave., Santa Clara, CA

Membership Renewal

You can renew by going to www.agohq.org and select "Membership" and then Membership/Update" you can renew anytime by calling the national office (212-870-2310) with a credit card. Be sure to renew now so that you will not miss any ATO issues.

...

Carillon Profile

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, San Jose From The Diapason, October 2019 Carillon Profile Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, San Jose, CA Meneely & Co., West Troy (now Watervliet), New York; Petit & Fritsen, Aarle-Rixtel, Netherlands; and Meeks, Watson & Company, Georgetown, Ohio © Copyrighted Scranton Gillette Communications, Inc. Reprinted with permission from The Diapason, October 2019

The carillon of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in San Jose, California, began as a set of five bells cast by Meneely & Co. of West Troy (now Watervliet), New York, in 1879 and 1880. Two more bells were added by the same founder in 1905, and these seven bells were connected to a chime stand.

In 1960, Petit & Fritsen of the Aarle-Nixtel, Netherlands, cast two more bells. Then in 1976, Petit & Fritsen enlarged the instrument to a total 18 bells as part of the church's bicentennial celebration.

In 2016, as the first phase of expanding the instrument to a 43-bell carillon, the chime was enlarged to a 24bell carillon with the addition of six more bells cast by Meeks, Watson & Company of Georgetown, Ohio. The company also retuned the original Meneely bells and installed a bell frame and transmission system. They provided a new carillon console with space for up to 43 bells. The recent expansion was made possible by numerous donors to the church's bell fund, which has been ongoing for over 30 years for this specific project.

Today the carillon is performed on by David Anthony, Paul Archambeault, Greg Calkins, Shane Patrick Connolly, Sarah Nunes, Julie Pifer, Sophia Tao, and Janet Vong. It is heard for Sunday services, church functions, and public concerts on the main federal holidays.

> —Kimberly Schafer, PhD Founder and Partner, Community Bell Advocates, LLC www.communitybelladvocates.com communitybelladyocates@gmail.com. 🎜

© Copyrighted Scranton Gillette Communications, Inc. Reprinted with permission from The Diapason, October 2019.



The Carillon console at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral (photo credit: Paul Archambeault)



Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, San Jose, California (photo credit: Paul Archambeault)

AGO Nation Convention



AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS 2020 NATIONAL CONVENTION July 6–10, 2020 — ATLANTA, GA www.agoatlanta2020.com

OPEN POSITIONS

First Covenant Church of Oakland, 4000 Redwood Rd, Oakland, is looking for an **Organist/Accompanist**. This is a part-time hourly position.

Job duties include but are not limited to:

- Accompanying Choir & Worship with Organ and/or Piano for Sunday worship and special musical events.
- Attending and accompanying weekly choir rehearsals and any additional scheduled rehearsals.
- Part-Time Hourly position
- Compensation: Hourly range of \$35-45/hour (to be negotiated depending upon experience and ability); maximum of ten hours per week (inclusive of Sunday services, rehearsals and personal practice time); three Sundays a month (except for months that include a fifth Sunday); ten months per year. No benefits.
- Competence in Multi-Cultural Worship Leadership, Musical Performance, Theory and/or Education
- Ability to excellently perform classical and contemporary church music on piano and **Aeolian-Skinner Organ**.

The Stone Church of Willow Glen, 1937 Lincoln Ave, San Jose (408-269-1593) is an active, progressive, Presbyterian USA church. We are seeking a part-time qualified organist (10 to 14 hour/week) to play our at services to accompany our 35-voice choir at services and rehearsals. There are also weddings and memorial services where an organist is requested.

The organist will work closely with our Pastors, The Rev. Sammie Evans, The Rev. Irene Pak Lee and with our choir director, Nancy Kromm, Associate Professor of Music, Santa Clara University.

Additional information about the church: www.stonechurch.org. Inquires or resumes should be sent to MaryJohnsonRN@att.net.

<u>Union Presbyterian Church of Los Altos</u>, 858 University Ave, Los Altos, (650) 948-4361 is looking to hire <u>a part-time accompanist</u>. The Accompanist will be a committed Christian who provides piano music and accompaniment for scheduled worship services, choir rehearsals and other activities in support of the music ministry of the church.

This is a part-time position which includes:

- 1) Weekly Thursday night choir rehearsal 7:30 pm 8:45 pm
- 2) Worship Band rehearsals every other Saturday 4:30 pm $-5{:}30\,$ pm (for three worship songs)
- 3) Worship every other Sunday from 9:45 am 12:00 pm (includes both choir and praise team rehearsals just before Sunday morning worship service).
- 4) Other special services as scheduled.

To apply, send resume to Jamie Mulfinger, Worship Leader worship@unionpc.org. The job listing is also on their website—https://unionpc.org/join-our-team/.

Dates to Remember

Nov 3 Sunday <u>Jonathan Dimmick</u>, organ, St. Francis Episcopal Church, 1205 Pine Ave, San Jose, Hauptwerke Organ, 5 PM, dedicatory recital.

Jan TBD PPP.

Feb 2 Sunday Angela Kraft Cross, organ, **St. Francis Episcopal Church**, 1205 Pine Ave, San Jose, Hauptwerke organ, **5 PM**.

Early March TBD, Student Recital

April - Easter

May 3 Sunday <u>Michael Burroughs</u>, organ, St. Francis Episcopal Church, 1205 Pine Ave, San Jose, Hauptwerke Organ, 5 PM.

13 June, Annual Meeting, Ruth Kamus Recital, Los Gatos Presbyterian Church, 16575 Shannon Rd, Los Gatos

New Member

Rachel Frandsen, 1612 Hope Dr. Apt 339, Santa Clara, CA 95054, 480-686-6095, rachel.frandsen13@gmail.com

New Member

Cindy Harmer, 4653 Lage Dr., San Jose, CA 95130, 408-364-1939, cmharmerrn@yahoo.com, 408-203-7863 cell

New Member

Kathleen Merkley, PO Box 32748 San Jose, CA 95152, 408-205-3307, merkleykathy@gmail.com

New Address

Douglas DeForeest, 300 Fountaingrove Pkwy. Santa Rosa, 95403, 707-479-2096, ddeforeest@aol.com

Music Calendar Continue

Continued From page 6

December 2019

7 Saturday

"The Stars are Brightly Shining", James Welch with other soloists, Annual Crèche Exhibit, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3865 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, California, Free

8 Sunday

Advent Lessons and Carols. St. Mary's Cathedral Choir and St. Mark's Lutheran Church Choir, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

8 Sunday

><u>Elisabeth Pintar</u>, organ, <u>Erick Brown</u>, Saxophone, & <u>Carol Flint</u>, handbells, <u>Immanuel Lutheran Church of Saratoga</u>, 14103 Saratoga Ave., Saratoga, **7 PM**, (Please bring a plate of goodies to share)

8 Sunday

<u>Kitka</u>, **St. Bede**, 2650 Sand Hill Rd, Menlo Park, PA/Pen Chapter event, **4 PM**

January 2020

12 Sunday

<u>The Albany Consort</u>, **St. Bede**, 2650 Sand Hill Rd, Menlo Park, PA/Pen Chapter event, **4 PM**

22 Wednesday

Rodney Gehrke, Director of Music, All Saint's Episcopal Church, Palo Alto, Vierne Symphonie No. 3, Stanford Memorial Church, 7:30 PM, Free admission, no tickets required, \$10 suggested donation

8 Sunday

"<u>Handel's Messiah Sing-Alonq</u>", The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Auditorium, 4780 Lincoln Ave, Oakland, **7 PM**, Free, get free tickets on web page, http://www.templehillevents.com/

15 Sunday

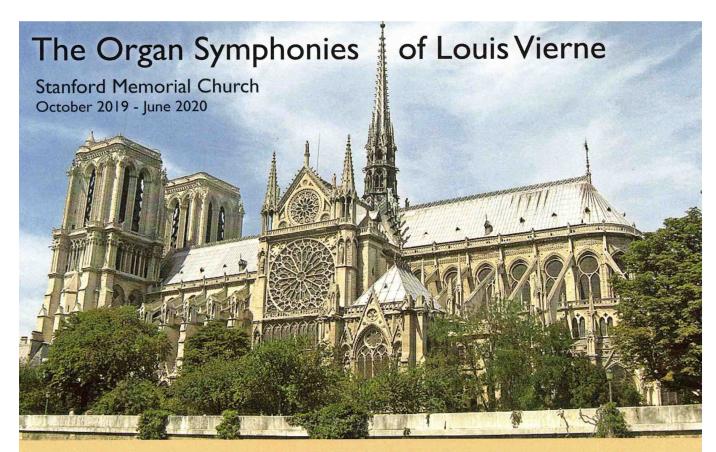
<u>Vytenis Vasyliunas</u> (Germany), Organ, <u>Percy Whitlock</u> <u>Sonata</u>, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

22 Sunday

Angela Kraft Cross, Organ, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

29 Sunday

<u>Raymond Hawkins</u> (Winston-Salem), Organ, **CSMA**, **4 PM**, \$10



Music of great drama, poetry, longing, playfulness, pathos, exuberance, and deep sorrow. The six remarkable organ symphonies of Louis Vierne (1870-1937) tower over the organ music of the late romantic era. He was, for 37 years, the organist of Notre Dame de Paris, and it is with that building that his music is so closely identified. In celebration of the 150th anniversary of his birth, the symphonies will be performed on the Murray Harris organ in historic Stanford Memorial Church.

October 9, 2019, 7:30 pm James Welch, Organist, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Palo Alto and Santa Clara University Symphony No. 1

November 6, 2019, 7:30 pm Amanda Mole, Concert organist Symphony No. 2

January 22, 2019, 7:30 pm Rodney Gehrke, Director of Music, All Saint's Episcopal Church, Palo Alto and Organist, Temple Emanu-El, San Francisco Symphony No. 3

Free admission, no tickets required. \$10 suggested donation.

February 19, 2020 7:30 pm Robert Huw Morgan, University Organist, Stanford University Symphony No. 4

May 6, 2020, 7:30 pm Joseph Adam, Director of Music and Organist, St. James Cathedral, Seattle Symphony No. 5

June 12, 2020, 7:30 pm Robert Huw Morgan, University Organist, Stanford University Symphony No. 6

Stanford Office for Religious Life AT STANFORD



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

Chapter Event

➤ Chapter Member

Every Saturday at 4 PM

Organ, Legion of Honor, Lincoln Park, 34th Ave & Clement St., San Francisco. Jonathan Dimmock, organist

November 2019

1 Friday

South Bay Philharmonic, Foothill Presbyterian Church, 5301 McKee Road, San Jose, 7:30 PM, \$12.50 online, \$15 door, Mozart, Vitali with Alan Ni (Violin), Rossini, Moricone, Tchaikovsky, Respighi, See http://www.southbayphilharmonic.org

3 Sunday
Benjamin Sheen, organ, GC,
4 PM, \$10

3 Sunday

Raymond Hawkins (Winston-Salem, NC), organ, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

3 Sunday

2 Jonathan Dimmick,
Dedicatory Organ Recital, St.
Francis Episcopal Church, 1205
Pine Ave, San Jose, New
Hauptwerke organ with 5 different
organ sample sets, **5 PM** (special
music starts after Evensong)

6 Wednesday

Amanda Mole, Concert organist. Vierne Symphonie No. 2, Stanford Memorial Church, 7:30 PM, Free admission, no tickets required, \$10 suggested donation

10 Sunday

<u>David Troiano</u> (Michigan), organ, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

17 Sunday

Hannah Tarley, Violin, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

24 Sunday

▶ Jin Kyung Lim, Organist, with the Amabilis Ensemble, CSMA, 4 PM, \$10

24 Sunday

Collage Vocal Ensemble, St. Bede, 2650 Sand Hill Rd, Menlo Park, PA/Pen Chapter event, 4 PM

December 2019

1 Sunday <u>Main Street Singers</u>, CSMA, 4 PM,

1 Sunday

"Love Came Down at Christmas", 13th Annual Christmas Organ concert,

➤ Elisabeth Pintar & Friends
The Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints, Kirk & Noreen
Chapel, 1655 Noreen Drive, San Jose,
(Please bring a dish of goodies to
share, 7 PM, Free

6 Friday

"The Nutcracker Ballet", The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Auditorium, 4780 Lincoln Ave, Oakland, 7 PM, Free, get tickets on web page,

http://www.templehillevents.com/

7 Saturday

"The Nutcracker Ballet", The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Auditorium, 4780 Lincoln Ave, Oakland, 7 PM, Free, get tickets on web page, http://www.templehillevents.com/

Continued on page 4

American Guild of Organists

San Jose Chapter

582 Dublin Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94087-3323



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

FIRST CLASS