



SAN JOSE PIPINGS
 SAN JOSE CHAPTER OF THE AGO
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Dean's Column

*H*appy New Year to you all!

A new year and a new decade have begun. However, we are only midway through our AGO year and have many wonderful programs and events to come. Our annual event to introduce young pianists to the organ is coming up on Saturday, January 25th. Pedals, Pipes & Pizza will be held at Immanuel Lutheran from 9 am to 12 pm. We are so grateful to Elisabeth Pintar for hosting and putting on this event again this year.

Our annual student recital is also coming up quickly! There's still time to get in to this year's recital. It will be held on Friday, March 27th at Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church. There will be practice times available on the Saturdays leading up to the concert. Get your pieces and a short bio in to Diane Keller as soon as possible. You can contact me with any questions you might have at diane.keller@gmail.com.

Diane Keller, Dean

**25 JANUARY CHAPTER EVENT
 PEDALS, PIPES, AND PIZZA**

Our San Jose AGO Chapter is inviting all interested piano students, age 8 and up, (yes, high school, also) to attend our fourteenth annual **Pedals, Pipes & Pizza** event at **Immanuel Lutheran Saratoga**, 14103 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga on **Saturday, January 25, 9 am-12 noon**. Registration will be at 8:45 AM. We will begin with an introduction to the pipe organ and a demonstration of some of its sounds and capabilities. Each student is invited to bring along a piano piece or two they know well and would like to try out on the organ (Bach, Handel and other Baroque pieces work especially well, but most any piano piece can be played on the organ). Experienced organists will be at the organ console with them, to help choose an appropriate registration for their piece. Around 11:30am, we will enjoy an informal pizza lunch together.

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If you know of piano students who would like to participate in this fun introduction to the organ, please contact Elisabeth Pintar (elisabethpintar@yahoo.com or 408-445-1181). Registration is limited; please reserve your place by 15 Jan. Cost is only \$5 per person. Parents are welcome to attend with their child.

Note to our members: the success of this event in encouraging future organists depends on you, so please bring your piano students and pass the word to other piano teachers whom you know and remind them of the age restrictions. If you would like to help with the Jan. 25 PPP (demonstrating the organ, helping students set registrations, serving pizza lunch, etc.), please let Elisabeth know by email. Thanks! 🎵.

2 FEBRUARY CHAPTER EVENT

**Hauptwerke Virtual Organ Recital
Angela Kraft Cross**

Angela Kraft Cross will present an Organ Recital on the new Hauptwerke Organ at **St Francis Episcopal Church** 1205 Pine Ave in San Jose. The recital will be **5 PM**.

A Hauptwerke Organ is an electronic organ that is capable of reproducing many different organs. The processing power of the organ is a standard desk top computer. Sample sets of digitized pipe wave forms are used to generate the sound of the organ.

A typical electronic digital organ uses sampled pipe waveforms to generate the various voices; however, typically only two or three pipes are sampled per octave. The Hauptwerk organ system uses samples from every pipe in every rank. Thus, it is able to produce a much better reproduction of the organ.

St Francis' organ has sample sets from five different organs. This allows the performer to select the sample set that will best represent the music. 🎵

Next Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting Tuesday 14th Jan, 2020 at 7:30 PM
Valerie Sterk's Home: 2164 Talia Ave., Santa Clara, CA

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April - Easter

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AGO Nation Convention



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

Early Registration Rates

Young Organists: \$250 Regular: \$435
Senior: \$395 Spouse/Partner: \$350
Non-Member: \$550

Registration for the American Guild of Organists Convention is now open with discounted rates for those who register prior to November 30th so register soon to save!

See www.agoatlanta2020.com.

<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/ATLRA/G-AGON> to book your hotel reservation.

Members: If you are going to attend the Atlanta 2020 National AGO Convention, PLEASE let me know your exact dates and how many are going in your party. I know of at least one person who is going and would like to share a room.

Ken Talbot, 408-732-6094, kitalbot@pacbell.net. 🎵

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**.

Contact: Pam Grove, choir@oaklandfcc.org or hblady75@gmail.com, 510-703-4453 🎵

Union Presbyterian Church of Los Altos, 858 University Ave, Los Altos, (650) 948-4361 is looking to hire a **part-time accompanist**. 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/>. 🎵

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The Organ Symphonies of Louis Vierne, Sanford Memorial Church

January 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

February 19, Wednesday

Robert Huw Morgan, Stanford University Organist, **Vierne Symphonie No. 4, Stanford Memorial Church, 7:30 PM**, Free admission, no tickets required, \$10 suggested donation

Music Calendar Continue

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February 2020

9 Sunday

Tactus, a cappella choir, directed by **Jonathan Hampton, CSMA, 4 PM \$10**

9 Sunday

Nicholas Quardokus (St. Thomas, Church, New York), organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 4 PM**

16 Sunday

Luis Sanchez, piano; **Clare GHigo**, soprano, **CSMA, 4 PM \$10**

19 Wednesday

Robert Huw Morgan, Stanford University Organist, **Vierne Symphonie No. 4, Stanford Memorial Church, 7:30 PM**, Free admission, no tickets required, \$10 suggested donation

23 Sunday

Iris Lan, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM \$10**

March 2020

8 Sunday

Gail Archer, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM \$10**

8 Sunday

Mateusz Rzewuski (Warsaw Poland), organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 4 PM**

13 Wednesday

South Bay Philharmonic, Foothill Presbyterian Church, 5301 McKee Road, San Jose, **7:30 PM, \$12.50** online, \$15 door, Mozart, Vivaldi with **Roger Romani** (Horn), others TBA, See <http://www.southbayphilharmonic.org>

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

Every Tuesday at 12:15-12:45 PM

Rodney Gehrke Organ Recital, All Saints Episcopal Church, 555 Waverly St, Palo Alto, See <https://www.asaints.org/events/>

January 2020

5 Sunday

Jens Korndörfer, organ, (triple prize winner of the Canadian International Organ Competition), **Davies Symphony Hall,** 201 Van Ness Ave, San Francisco, Tickets: 415-864-6000, Music of Reger, Bach, Thalbne-Ball, Foote, Decker, Dupré, Aubertin, & Guilmant, **3 PM**

5 Sunday

Epiphany Lessons and Carols, performed by **St. Brigid School Honor Choir and Golden Gate Boyschoir and Bellringers,** **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10**

7 Tuesday

Cathedral Organ Anniversary Recital, David Briggs, organ, **Cathedral of Light,** 2121 Harrison St., Oakland, **7:30 PM,** Works by Bach, Widor, Saint Saens, and an improvised symphony!!

8 Wednesday

Songs of Trial & Hope, Cathedral Choir, Music by David Briggs, organ, **Cathedral of Light,** 2121 Harrison St., Oakland, **7:30 PM**

12 Sunday

Thomas Fielding (Kalamazoo), Organ, **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10**

▶ **Margaret Kvamme,** organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal,** 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, **3:45 PM - Time Change**

12 Sunday

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

19 Sunday

Cavatina Chamber Ensemble, **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10**

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

☼ **25 Saturday**

PPP, Immanuel Lutheran Saratoga, 14103 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga, **9 am-12 noon**

26 Sunday

Robert McCormick, organ, **GC, 4 PM**

February 2020

2 Sunday

Gerald Beckett, flute, **CSMA, 4 PM \$10**

2 Sunday

Candlemas, St. Bede, 2650 Sand Hill Rd, Menlo Park, PA/Pen Chapter event, **4 PM**

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