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

*H*appy Autumn Everyone! Let's all enjoy this relaxing/exciting season, enhanced by the easing of some of the Covid restrictions, so we can move about more freely! Whew!

*I* hope you all were able to enjoy our amazing Organfest 2021, entitled “Beauty from Ashes”, a weeklong program of outstanding recitals and seminars presented with hi tech finesse by our National Guild of Organists!

Coming up in our local AGOSJ Chapter in September is another “Potluck Recital”, a virtual event put together by David Snook-Luther from videos submitted by members of our chapter. If you have submitted a video that was not used in the first “Potluck Recital”, it will be included. **If you would like to contribute, it is not too late!** Just send your video to David at [dcl@sonic.net](mailto:dcl@sonic.net)

Although plans have not been finalized, AGOSJ is looking forward to the (in person) return of **Ugo Sforza**, whose recital series at Sunnyvale Presbyterian was interrupted by the COVID pandemic. This event hopefully will take place in early autumn.

On another high note, in the past three months, our chapter has gained eight new members, whom we look forward to welcoming soon, maybe even in person!

Sincerely, *Susan Snook-Luther, Dean*

*Darryl E. Parker*



**Darryl E. Parker:** OUR SYMPATHY to Elizabeth Parker and her family in the passing of Darryl on Sunday, **06 August 2021**. Please keep their family in your hearts and prayers.

**Darryl's memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 25th at 4 PM, at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 80 N. 2nd Street, San Jose, CA 95113**

There will only be 100 attendees total due to the Bishop's current COVID restrictions. All attendees must make a reservation to attend. The reservation system can be found here:

<https://tec.breezechms.com/form/81f4c23946>

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## Sophia Chang Memorial Service



A Memorial Service for **Sophia Chang** was held at the Immanuel Lutheran Church at 14103 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga, CA on **21 August 2021** at **2 PM**.

The program for the Memorial was as follows:

Welcome, Reasons for Gathering  
Invocation & Opening Prayer  
Opening Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #543  
Life History  
Remembrance  
Scriptures:  
Psalms 150                      Philippians 4:4-8  
Colossians 3:12-17          Matthew 26:26-30  
Sermon: "A Heart Rejoicing"  
Memories  
Prayer & Lord's Prayer  
Commendation  
Closing Hymn: *How Thank We all Our God* #534  
Benediction & Invitation to Fellowship

Memorial gifts in Sophie's honor may be directed to Immanuel Lutheran Church to be used in their musical program.

For those who missed her memorial you can watch it on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bkWhAfbB8-4>.

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## From Trinity's Newsletter



### At Rest in God's Peace

**Darryl Parker 1943-2021**  
Trinity grieves the passing of our beloved supply organist Darryl Parker, who's musical labors carried us through the

pandemic quarantine and managed the repair of our Hook & Hastings organ. He was also a faithful volunteer in our Saturday cooking team, in support of the Family Shelter.

Darryl was born October 24, 1943, and raised in Texas - that remained important to him throughout his life. He passed from this life August 6, 2021 and will be missed by many people from many and varied communities.

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## Member's Recital Potluck

For those who missed the Member's Recital Potluck shown at the Annual Meeting, you can see and listen to the six organ pieces that were performed. Enter the following web address into your web browser and you can see and hear the performers.

[vimeo.com/showcase/agopotluck](https://vimeo.com/showcase/agopotluck)

### THE PROGRAM

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**, arr. Robert Powell  
**Dian Ruder**, Valley Christian Church

**Mit Fried Und Freude**, BWV 616  
**Margaret Kvamme**, Home Organ

**Acclamation**, Langlais  
**Ruth Kamas**, Los Gatos Presbyterian Ch.

**Cantabile**, Franck  
**Paula Seo**, Covenant Presbyterian Ch. PA

**Exaltation**, Clarence Dickenson  
**Joyce Rhodes**, First Methodist Church Los Gatos

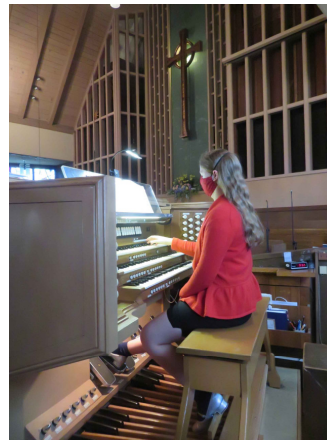
**Trumpet Intrada**, Dixon  
**Valerie Sterk**, Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church

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## Elizabeth Kamas

**Elizabeth Kamas** has been studying organ with Dr. Stephan Price and she just won **the San Francisco AGO Chapter Scholarship for Organ Students**. We are so proud of her. **Elizabeth is now a member of our Chapter – Congratulations!**

Here is the link to Elizabeth's new recording: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OwQOoLFh\\_2w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OwQOoLFh_2w) (John Stanley's Voluntary V: Andante Largo).



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## Next Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting Tuesday 14 September 2021 at 7:30 PM, Zoom Meeting

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## New Members

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## Bach's Toccata on Different Instruments

KDFC has put together a set of different recordings of Bach's Toccata in D minor. They use 9 different mediums so that you get a different perception of the

piece and its sounds as it is played on different instruments. Click on the link and enjoy.

<https://www.kdfc.com/culture/staff-blog/classical-california-ultimate-playlist/bach-toccatina-and-fugue/>

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## If You Missed Ruth Kamas' Concert

If you missed Ruth Kamas' Frasier Recital you can see it at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sabeWUKlyws&feature=youtu.be> 🎵

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## Stanford Memorial Church

Dr. Robert Huw Morgan and others have been recording Sunday Morning and Wednesday Lunchtime Music on a YouTube channel. The web address is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTEJGegC9rg3FYUbmTlSLZg>.

To join the Virtual Broadcast click on <https://spiritual.sites.stanford.edu/music>. 🎵

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## St. Mary's San Francisco

St. Mary's in San Francisco is streaming their "Musical Meditations" which occur every Sunday at 4 PM. The link to the streaming links is <https://www.youtube.com/archdioceseofsanfrancisco%20>.

They can also be viewed later. 🎵

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## If You Missed the Dr. James Welch Concerts

Dr. James Welch now lives in Provo Utah. You can see his 2 July Concert at the following link:

**July 2 2021 Concert, Provo, UT**  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=elv\\_FOhQM1U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=elv_FOhQM1U)  
(Lasts about 1 hour) 🎵

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## Tabernacle Organ Concerts First Anniversary Concert

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PcidWhf3y-E>

These weekly concerts were started in June 2020. The First Anniversary Concert was streamed on 30 June 2021 and it featured selections from all five organists plus the third movement from the Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 played by all five organists on one organ. The total program lasts 43 minutes.

A short tour of the Assembly Hall Practice Rooms, a portion of the Tabernacle Organ Chamber, and a Discussion of Organ Pedals and Pedaling by Richard Elliot were also included.

The featured organs are the Tabernacle Organ (Aeolian-Skinner, refurbished by Schoenstien), the Assembly Hall Organ (Robert L. Sipe Organ), and the Joseph Smith Chapel Organ (Casavant Frères Organ).

### Concert Honoring Alexander Schreiner

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zTq9Z\\_RT4Rk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zTq9Z_RT4Rk)

This concert features the music that Alexander Schreiner played, arranged, or composed. 🎵

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## Up Coming Events

**19 September 4 PM Our Second Pot Luck Members Recital.** David Snook-Luther has received additional recital recordings from some of our chapter members and he has organized these recitals into a video. As soon as he has finished this, I will send you the link to this presentation.

**15 October — 7:30pm Ugo Sforza organ recital** at Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church. This recital might be postponed due to travel restrictions at our U.S. borders....please see our October newsletter for confirmation or cancellation of this recital date

**Elisabeth Pintar** has suggested a program called “Do You Play What I Play” involving Advent/Christmas music. Members will play their favorite seasonal compositions for each other. A possible date is November 7<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. (Advent begins November 28<sup>th</sup> this year). Details to come later. 🎵

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### Swain & Kates Pipe Organs



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## Open Position

**All Saints' Episcopal Church**, Palo Alto, 555 Waverley St, Palo Alto, CA, seeks an **Interim Music Director/Organist** beginning approximately October 1, 2021 to continue and enhance the strong musical tradition of our church. This part-time position, approximately 20 hours/week, is for a one-year commitment during which time All Saints' will also be recruiting a Priest-in-Charge. The Interim Music Director/Organist would be eligible to apply for the permanent Music Director position.

Please see the attached document.

Experience needed: a minimum 3-5 years as a church musician with a Bachelor's degree in music. A Masters in Music is preferred. This is an exempt, salaried position, with salary commensurate with education and experience.

To Apply: Please email a cover letter, resume, online links to recordings of organ and choral performance, and three professional and/or clerical references to [allsaints125@gmail.com](mailto:allsaints125@gmail.com). 🎵

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## Free Wurlitzer Organ

I live in San Jose and am reaching out because I have a Wurlitzer organ that I'd like to give away. It belongs to a family member who no longer wants it. I have attached a photo of it. If interested, please call me. **Patricia Hannon 408-375-2470.**



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## Yamaha C-60 Electone Organ

**Roger Inkpen** has a Yamaha spinet organ. The organ works and the case is in good condition as well I understand from my friend. He also has Contact him for details. (408) 398-3221 ([newtnorg@aol.com](mailto:newtnorg@aol.com)).

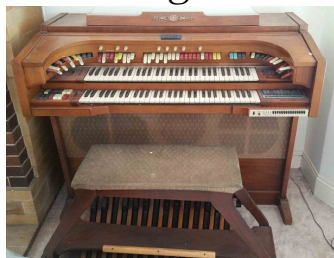
**Roger** also has a Conn 651 3 manual Theater organ. Contact him for details. (408) 398-3221



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## Free Thomas 811 Organ

Michelle Kinkaid has a Thomas 811 Theater organ. It was working when it was moved to a storage area.

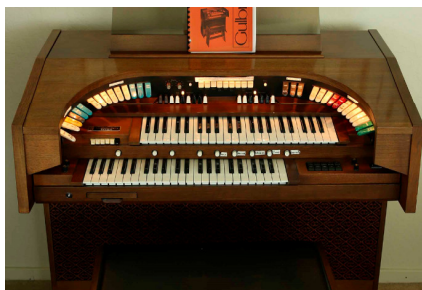


[MichelleKinkaid5678@gmail.com](mailto:MichelleKinkaid5678@gmail.com) (415-802-3325)

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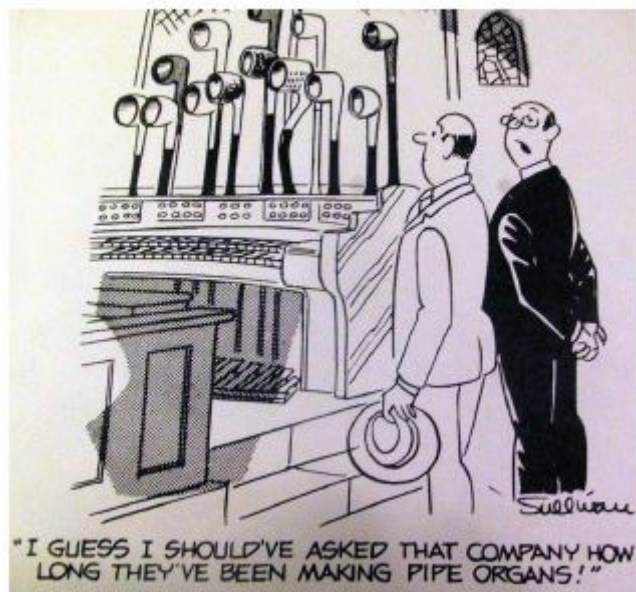
## Gulbransen Organ Seeking New Home

Here is a picture of the Gulbransen Model 3218 Organ that I would like to **give it away**. It has two 44 key keyboards and 13 pedals. It appears to be working properly except the pedals either do not work or I don't know how to make them work. I disabled the rotation of the Leslie speakers as it made a mechanical noise; and there is a slight hum in the speakers. There is an accompanying bench. **Contact Nick Dunckel at 650-948-5777 or [ndunckel@earthlink.net](mailto:ndunckel@earthlink.net).**



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## Organ Humor



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## Dobson Pipe Organ Builders Facility Destroyed in Fire.

<https://www.yourclassical.org/>

**The Dobson Pipe Organ Builders facility in Lake City, Iowa, was destroyed by a fire on June 15, 2021.**

A malfunction in the dust collection system had seemingly ignited sawdust at the premises of Dobson Pipe Organ Builders, the internationally renowned company that John Panning owns in Lake City, Iowa.

Within hours, the resulting blaze had flattened the corner lot the building occupied, incinerating fixtures and fittings but thankfully sparing the employees working there that day.

Dobson Pipe Organ Builders has established itself as one of the foremost makers of pipe organs, with nearly 100 instruments in churches, schools, concert halls and homes throughout the United States, plus one in England at Merton College in Oxford, England.

Lynn Dobson 'got his start' with a project at Olivet Congregational Church in St. Paul. Although technically his Opus 4, that organ was Lynn's first significant instrument, and he brokered its success into a firm deserving of world acclaim, and a reputation bolstered by recent installations at St. Thomas Church on Fifth Avenue in New York City and the University of Dubuque.

A large organ for a church in Australia (Opus 99) was under construction at the shop at the time of this devastating fire. "We're probably a month or two away from really beginning to get started on the Sydney organ again," he says. Not only present projects, but also the company's historic documents, and the personal, specialized tools of its craftspeople were all consumed by Tuesday's conflagration.

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## Pipe Dreams Web Page.

[pipedreams.org](http://pipedreams.org)

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## Vox Humana Web Page.

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

Visiting Organist

federico coppo

<http://www.bostonorganstudio.com/federico-coppo>

## AGO San Jose Music Calendar

### Venue Locations

**CSMA:** Cathedral of St Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco, "Musical Meditations"  
Streaming Link address of the concerts:  
**All Concerts are now live! Also livestreamed at**

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CathedralofStMaryoftheAssumption>

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

<https://www.youtube.com/archdioceseofsanfrancisco>

Streamed - [gracecathedral.org](http://gracecathedral.org)  
Facebook -

<https://www.facebook.com/gracecathedralSF>

📍 Chapter Event    ➤ Chapter Member

### Every Saturday at 4 PM

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

**Stanford:** Has YouTube files of music recorded on Sundays and Lunchtime Wednesday recitals by Dr. Robert Huw Morgan and others. Check <https://spiritual.sites.stanford.edu/music>.

## September 2021

### 12 Sunday 2021

August Lee, Cello, **CSMA, 4 PM**

### 12 Sunday 2021

Jordan Prescott, Organ, **GC, 4 PM** See Stream address above

### 19 Sunday 2021

David Hatt, Organ, **Works by Dupre, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the composer's death, CSMA, 4 PM**

### 26 Sunday 2021

John Wilson, Piano, **CSMA, 4 PM**

## October 2021

### 3 Sunday 2021

Matthew Michael Brown, Organ, **GC, 4 PM** See Stream address above

### 3 Sunday 2021

Basma Edrees, Violin, **CSMA, 4 PM**

### 10 Sunday 2021

Lori Jensen, Violin; Natalie Haworth-Liu Pendergast, Flute; Karmen Peng, Violoncello; ➤ Jin Kyung Lim, Keyboard Instruments, **CSMA, 4 PM**

### 17 Sunday 2021

Laurent Jochum, Organ, **CSMA, 4 PM**

### 24 Sunday 2021

Kathy Mc Kee, Alto; Colby Roberts, Tenor, **CSMA, 4 PM**

### 31 Sunday 2021

Hope Briggs, Soprano, with Kevin Navarro, Piano, **CSMA, 4 PM**

## November 2021

### 7 Sunday 2021

Patrick Pope, Organ, **GC, 4 PM** See Stream address above

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