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The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music. To achieve this, we encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music; inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors; provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support; nurture future generations of organists; promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

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From the Dean

Sorry I missed the April meeting, but pneumonia had me down—and I don't think any of you wanted to share it with me. I know it was a typically wonderful "Robert Ellis" program. Thanks to the folks at Christ Episcopal Church and to Charlie Rigsby for their contributions.

There will be no May meeting this year. I am sorry we won't be able to get together to celebrate this CACAGO year, but arrangements for an end-of-year party did not work out.

We have really had a very good year—wonderful fellowship, great meals and terrific programs. I want to use this space to thank all the hosts and program sponsors. Your

continuing support with time, effort and financial support is what makes our chapter so successful. Thank you!

AGO annual membership renewals will begin soon—when you receive the e-mail reminding you to renew, please do so. Not all memberships renew at the same time, so please be mindful of that e-mail whenever it arrives!

Make your plans to participate with us for the 2019-2020 season. Have a relaxing summer and I look forward to seeing you in September!

Thanks, Bill

Thanks to all who attended the April AGO Meeting at Christ Church. Henry Webb is certainly a very fine player. Thanks to Gerry Gibson for a gift in memory of his wife, Emily Cooper Gibson, which helped make this concert possible. And sincere thanks to Steve Bullock and Christ Church for agreeing to host this event on very short notice.

Respectfully, Charlie Rigsby

Chamber Music at the Cathedral

Monday, May 6 • 7:00 P.M.

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 310 W 17th St Little Rock, AR 72206-1461

Mendelssohn: Piano Trio No. 1 in D minor, Kodály: Duo for Violin and Cello, Gliére: selections from "Eight Duets." Stephen Feldman, cello; Linda Hsu, violin; Norman Boehm, piano. Free and open to the public. For more information, contact Victoria Harden, victoria@trinitylittlerock.org.

Trinity Presents: Violin Recital

Sunday, May 19 • 3:00 P.M.

Trinity United Methodist Church 1101 N. Mississippi St. Little Rock, AR 72207-5903

Samuel Garcia, violin (13 year old winner of ASO Young Artist Competition)

Hee-Kyung Juhn, piano

Festival of the Senses Julie Cheek, piano

Tuesday, May 14 • 7:00 р.м.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church 4106 John F Kennedy Blvd North Little Rock, AR 72116-8250

Pianist Julie Cheek will play a solo program of works by Scarlatti, Beethoven, Chopin, Rachmaninoff, and Debussy in addition to other favorites. The concert, the eighth in Festival of the Senses' 2018–19 season, is free and open to the public. The performance, which will introduce Julie's 60/60 Project, will be followed by a festive reception for the audience to share refreshments and meet the artist.

Hymn Sing at St. Luke's

Sunday, May 19 • 5:30 P.M.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church 4106 John F Kennedy Blvd North Little Rock, AR 72116-8250

The choir of Saint Luke's North Little Rock will host a second "Hymn Sing and Potluck," as a fundraiser to help cover expenses. This event was very popular last time, and a huge success, so be sure to invite a friend! Bring a casserole for the potluck, and come ready to sing. For more information, or to request a hymn, please e-mail Rees Roberts, rees.r95@gmail.com, or call the parish office, (501) 753-4281.

Evensong & Organ Recital

Friday, June 7 • 7:00 P.M.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church 4106 John F Kennedy Blvd North Little Rock, AR 72116-8250

Saint Luke's North Little Rock will host one of the country's premier sacred musicians, Bruce Neswick of Portland, Oregon, for a service of Solemn Evensong, and an organ recital. This service will be offered in thanksgiving for Rees Roberts' musical ministry at Saint Luke's, and an opportunity for the community to wish him a fond farewell. For more information, please e-mail Rees Roberts, rees.r95@gmail.com, or call the parish office, (501) 753-4281.

Raleigh Ringers in Concert

Sunday, June 9 • 7:30 P.M.

St. James United Methodist Church 321 Pleasant Valley Dr Little Rock, AR 72212-3157

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students 18 & under.

Arts Calendar

Sunday, May 5 - 3:00 P.M.

ASO: A Little Night Music Clinton Presidential Center Little Rock, AR

Monday, May 6 – 7:00 P.M.

Chamber Music at the Cathedral Trinity Episcopal Cathedral Little Rock, AR

Tuesday, May 7 - 7:00 P.M.

ASO Chamber: Short Works Clinton Presidential Center Little Rock, AR

Saturday, May 11 - 7:30 P.M.

ASO: E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial Robinson Center Music Hall Little Rock, AR

Sunday, May 12 - 3:00 P.M.

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Trinity Presents: Violin Recital Trinity United Methodist Church Little Rock, AR

Sunday, May 19 - 3:00 P.M.

Little Rock Winds Highland Valley United Methodist Church Little Rock, AR

Sunday, May 19 - 5:30 P.M.

Hymn Sing at St. Luke's St. Luke's Episcopal Church North Little Rock, AR

Friday, June 7 - 7:00 P.M.

Evensong & Organ Recital St. Luke's Episcopal Church North Little Rock, AR

Sunday, June 9 - 7:00 P.M.

Little Rock Winds MacArthur Park Little Rock, AR

Sunday, June 9 – 7:30 P.M.

Raleigh Ringers in Concert St. James United Methodist Church Little Rock, AR

Church Music Institute Workshop

Church Music Institute of Dallas will sponsor its annual workshop entitled "All Times and All Places Praise the Lord" on Saturday, June 15, at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church in Fort Worth, Texas. Presenting clinicians will offer inspiration, edification, and practical application for all those involved in the church music endeavor. The workshop offers something for everyone, whether full-time or avocational church musicians, clergy, or interested laypeople. Acclaimed organist Dr. David Cherwien and theologian Rev. Paul Westermeyer will encourage and offer participants a vision for

a holy, blessed, and collaborative relationship among all of those involved in leading worship in the Church. Other clinicians will focus on choral music, organ repertoire, handbells, and children's choir. David Cherwien will play a free hymn festival on Friday evening, June 14, at 7:00 p.m., on St Stephen's fine fourmanual Garland organ. For more details, schedule information, or to register, visit churchmusicinstitute.org or contact Benjamin Kolodziej, CMI Director of Programs, bkolodziej@churchmusicinstitute.org.