

The Cipher

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE
FORT WAYNE CHAPTER,
AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS
JUNE, 2023



NOTE: Deadline for the July Cipher is June 25

Submit information to David Hendricksen
at revoxfan55@gmail.com

From the Dean

With the approach of Pentecost, the Church Year winds down for many church musicians, but our local chapter is as busy as ever! Here is what's happening:

Last Sunday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, our 2022 scholarship recipients recital took place with Corbet Elkins, Aidan Kroeker, and Elias Kroeker playing. Also playing from our chapter were David Hendricksen and myself. Thanks to Myra Schmidt for hosting and Fran Page for her work as Scholarship Committee Chair. The committee meets again soon to choose recipients for 2023.

Coming up during the first full week of June, we have our annual Germanfest organ recitals at various downtown churches, played by our chapter members. And in July, "Follow the Pipes!" will again take place as a part of the FW Three Rivers Festival. Thanks to Rosalie Bowker for her work in getting both of these events organized. The program committee, under the leadership of Matt Johnson, is actively working on the 2023-2024 season of chapter programs which will be announced later this summer.

And finally, the 2025 regional convention steering committee, led by Noah Vancina is continuing its planning with monthly meetings. Enjoy the beautiful springtime weather, have a safe and wonderful summer!

Tim Robison

Upcoming 2022-2023 Chapter Events

June – Germanfest Organ Recitals – all 12:15 PM

- June 5 – Kevin Hildebrand, St. Paul's Lutheran
- June 6 – Ryan Kennedy, Emmanuel Lutheran
- June 7 – Daniel Schwandt, 1st Wayne Street UMC
- June 8 – Michael Dulac, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
- June 9 – Wayne Peterson, Trinity Episcopal

July 7-15 – Three Rivers Festival: Follow the Pipes

Wednesdays on Wayne Street

First Wayne Street United Methodist Church announces the Wednesdays on Wayne Street concert series for June. Each program begins at 12:15.

- June 7 – Dr. Daniel Schwandt, organ recital (Part of the 2023 Germanfest recital series) Optional catered German meal to follow the recital
- June 14 – Kenneth Jiang, Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No. 3
- June 21 – Dr. Geoffrey North, piano recital. Music of minimalist composers such as Glass, Gjeilo, Richter, and North himself
- June 28 – Dr. Geoffrey North, organ recital

June & July

Choral and Organ Events

Please send information about July and August events by June 25 to David Hendricksen at revoxfan55@gmail.com for the June issue of The

Cipher. *Events listed in approximate 3-hour driving radius of Fort Wayne. Local events in bold.*

Friday, May 26, 12:10 PM Raising the Roof – music for organ, brass & percussion, 2004 Schantz/Aeolian Skinner IV/94, Trinity English Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne

Friday, May 26, 7:00 PM Janelle Deal, organ recital, 2015 Cornel Zimmer, III/36, Trinity Episcopal Church, Fort Wayne

Monday, June 5, 12:15 PM Kevin Hildebrand, Germanfest organ recital, 1942 Austin IV/53, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne

Tuesday, June 6, 12:15 PM Ryan Kennedy, Germanfest organ recital, 2017 Muller III/37, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne

Wednesday, June 7, 12:15 PM Daniel Schwandt, Germanfest organ recital, 1974 Beckerath III/51, First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne

Wednesday, June 7, 12:10 PM Stephen Schnurr, organ recital, Christ Church, Michigan City, IN

Thursday, June 8, 12:15 PM Michael Dulac, Germanfest organ recital, 1986 Wicks III/54, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne

Friday, June 9, 12:15 PM Wayne Peterson, Germanfest organ recital, 2015 Cornel Zimmer, III/36, Trinity Episcopal Church, Fort Wayne

Friday, June 9, 12:30 PM Sarah Simko, organ recital, 1992 Pilzecker IV/96, St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, MI

Sunday, June 11, 3:00 PM Clark Wilson accompanies *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, 1927 Page IV/15, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne

Thursday, June 22, 4:00 PM Lucia Skrobola, 2008 Martin Ott III/41, First Presbyterian Church, Ypsilanti, MI

Friday, June 23, 12:30 PM Sarah Simko, organ

recital, 1992 Pilzecker IV/96, St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, MI

Sunday, June 25, 3:00 PM Cletus Goens accompanies two Buster Keaton films: *Our Hospitality* and *One Week*, 1927 Page IV/15, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne

Wednesday, June 28, Geoffrey North, organ recital, 1974 Becherath III/51, First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne

Sunday, July 16, 3:00 PM Clark Wilson accompanies *The Ten Commandments* (1923), 1927 Page IV/15, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne

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Handbell and choral reading sessions

Valparaiso University, in collaboration with Hope Publishing (both sessions) and Handbell Musicians of America (handbells session), will be hosting two reading sessions on Saturday, June 10. Brenda Austin. <https://www.brendaeAustin.com> is the clinician

You can attend either or both sessions -- by yourself, or you can bring members of your handbell choir and/or church choir. Feel free to forward this information to others.

Links for registration/payment and optional music purchase for each session are below.

Handbells Reading Session with Brenda Austin
Great Rep Ring
Saturday, June 10, 2023, 9:00-11:30a CDT
Chapel of the Resurrection
Valparaiso University
<https://form.jotform.com/231044093977157>

Choral Reading Session with Brenda Austin
Sacred Music for Today's Church Choir: Working with the Maturing Voice
Saturday, June 10, 2023, 12:30-2:30p CDT
Chapel of the Resurrection
Valparaiso University
<https://buytickets.at/hopepublishing/901357>

Region V Convention

Registration is **now open** for the Region V Convention which will be held in the northern suburbs of Chicago, this summer from June 25-28. Do a Google search for the AGO 2023 regional conventions and you'll find all the information you need to register.

To show our support for them, like we hope they will in return, how many of us are able to go? This is a wonderful opportunity not only to support the good of the cause, but to gather ideas about how our convention will function in 2025.

I'm challenging our chapter to have at least 10 in attendance. Will you help us reach that goal?!

Tim Robison, Dean

Positions Available

Part-time organist/pianist, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 2305 Goshen Rd. Small pipe organ, one Sunday service. Contact Pastor Dale Henderson at 483-9312 or pastordale@stmatthewslutheran.com

Full time Director of Sacred Music, Queen of Angels Parish, Fort Wayne. For information, contact: pastor@queenofangelsfw.org

Part-time Choir Director, Bethany United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne. One service on Sunday at 10:00 AM, Choir rehearsals Wednesdays at 6:30 PM and Sunday at 9:40. Currently the adult choir has 8-10 members, plus an accompanist. Contact Pastor Dan Douglas at dan.douglas@inumc.org or 260-485-5311. <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bethany-United-Methodist-Church/159035314458156>

From our Webmaster:

COLLEAGUES! We want to use our FWAGO website to list Northeast Indiana music events. If you are planning a concert series, a single concert, a hymn festival or other related event, we will be glad to list it on the website. Please email the information as a file attachment to: giglerm@aol.com. The file needs to be in pdf or jpg format and give complete information about the event – dates, times, locations – even a poster.

Many thanks, Martin Gigler, webmaster

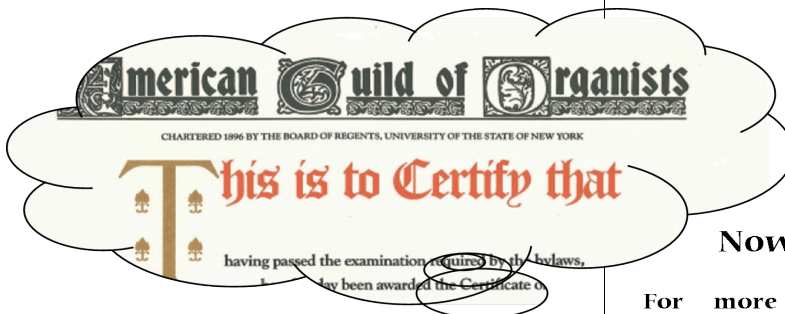
Fort Wayne Chapter Leadership

Elected positions:

- Dean Tim Robison (2023)
- Sub-Dean Matt Johnston (2023)
- Secretary David Hendricksen (2024)
- Treasurer Kathy Miller (2023)
- At-Large: Irene Ator (2025)
- Greg Childs (2024)
- Michael Dulac (2025)
- Wayne Peterson (2025)
- Tamara Schaaf (2026)

Non-elected positions, appointed by the Board:

- Chaplain: Rev. Dr. Anne Epling
- Webmasters: Martin Gigler & Tim Robison
- Scholarship Committee Chair: Fran Page
- Germanfest, Follow the Pipes: Rosalie Bowker
- Certification Coordinator Wayne Peterson
- Program Committee Chair Matt Johnston
- Newsletter Editor: David Hendricksen



Now is the time to act!

For more information, contact Wayne Peterson (waynehpeterson@yahoo.com; 260-423-1693) or explore the certification content on the AGO website <https://www.agohq.org/certification/>

Is Guild certification a dream of yours?