

The Cipher

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



NOTE: Deadline for the January Cipher is December 25

Submit information to David Hendricksen at revoxfan55@gmail.com

From the Dean

Thanks To David Hendricksen for his interesting presentation on vocal techniques at our recent November meeting, and for Tammy Schaaf for hosting us at Trinity Lutheran Church. Matt Johnston is working with several of our chapter members in recording Advent organ music for posting online, which is our December chapter event.

Our Epiphany party, originally scheduled for Friday, January 5 is temporarily on hold as I have a schedule conflict. We are working to find a new location and/or possibly a new date. A special email message will be sent when the details for this are either set, or if we have to cancel. So, stay tuned!

Blessings to all of you this Advent and Christmas season!

Tim Robison

Upcoming 2023-2024 Chapter Programs

January Epiphany Party – An email announcement will be sent when details of time/date/place are finalized.

Saturday, February 10, 10:00 AM
Trinity English Lutheran Church
Organ Music of David N Johnson

Dr. Daniel Schwandt discusses and demonstrates

March Orgel Kit & Grand Page demonstrations. Details TBA.

Saturday, April 13, 9:30 AM
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
Chant-based Repertoire for the Organ
Dr. Jennifer Pascual, organist at St. Patrick's Cathedral, NYC

May Organ crawl to Richmond, IN. Details TBA

June 3-7 Germanfest organ recitals

July *Follow the Pipes*. Details TBA

December & January Choral and Organ Events

Please send information about January and February events by December 25 to David Hendricksen at revoxfan55@gmail.com for the December issue of The Cipher. Events listed in approximate 3-hour driving radius of Fort Wayne. Local events in bold.

Sunday, November 26, 4:00 PM John Gouwens, Carillon recital, Presbyterian church, La Porte, IN

Sunday, November 26, 7:00 PM Emma Whitten, organ recital, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Fort Wayne

Wednesday, November 29, 7:30 PM Isabelle Demers, organ recital, 1928 IV/79 E.M. Skinner, Cincinnati Museum Center, Cincinnati, OH

**Saturday, December 2, 2:00 PM Bach Collegium
Messiah Sing-Along, Queen of Angels Catholic
Church, Fort Wayne**

Sunday, December 3, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ
recital, 1929 Skinner II/21, Dayton Art Institute,
Dayton, OH

Sunday, December 3, 3:00 PM Ecce Choir, Advent
Lessons & Carols, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church,
Toledo, OH

**Sunday, December 3, 4:00 PM Canto de Carazon
choral concert, Plymouth Congregational Church,
Fort Wayne**

Sunday, December 3, 7:00 PM David Kazimir, organ
recital, 2019 Richards, Fowkes & Co. II/32, St.
Andrew's Episcopal Church, Ann Arbor, MI

Wednesday, December 6, 12:10 PM Sarah Williams,
organ recital, Christ Lutheran Church, Kokomo, IN

Thursday, December 7, 7:30 PM Chanticleer vocal
ensemble, Goshen College Music Center, Goshen, IN

Friday, December 8, 12:15 PM Jeremy David
Tarrant, 1992 Pilzecker IV/96, St. Paul's Cathedral,
Detroit, MI

Saturday, December 9, 1:00 PM Ecce Choir, Advent
Lessons & Carols, St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church,
Monroeville, IN

**Saturday, December 9, 7:00 PM Ecce Choir,
Advent Lessons & Carols, St. Vincent de Paul
Catholic Church, Fort Wayne**

Sunday, December 10, 4:00 PM Ecce Choir, Advent
Lessons & Carols, Monastery of the Visitation,
Toledo, OH

**Friday, December 15, 7:30 PM Heartland Sings:
The Spirit of Christmas, Allen County Courthouse,
Fort Wayne**

**Saturday, December 16, 3:00 PM Heartland
Sings: *The Spirit of Christmas*, Allen County
Courthouse, Fort Wayne**

Sunday, December 17, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking,
organ recital, 1929 Skinner II/21, Dayton Art
Institute, Dayton, OH

**Sunday, December 17, 3:00 PM Heartland Sings:
The Spirit of Christmas, Allen County Courthouse,
Fort Wayne**

Wednesday, December 20, 12:10 PM Travis Person,
organ recital, Christ Lutheran Church, Kokomo, IN

Friday, December 22, 12:15 PM Sarah Simko and
Jeremy David Tarrant, organ recital, 1992 Pilzecker
IV/96, St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, MI

Sunday, December 31, 7:30 PM Isabelle Demers,
organ recital, 1982 Robert Dial V/76, Central
Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, MI

Sunday, January 7, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ
recital, 1929 Skinner II/21, Dayton Art Institute,
Dayton, OH

Sunday, January 7, 7:00 PM James Kibbie, organ
recital, 2019 Richards, Fowkes & Co. II/32, St.
Andrew's Episcopal Church, Ann Arbor, MI

Sunday, January 21, 2:00 PM Matt Dierking, organ
recital, 1929 Skinner II/21, Dayton Art Institute,
Dayton, OH

Wednesday, January 24, 7:30 PM Nathan Laube,
organ recital, with Christopher Pell, clarinet, 1928
IV/79 E.M. Skinner, Cincinnati Museum Center,
Cincinnati, OH

Sunday, January 28, 3:00 PM Jonathan Ryan, organ
recital, 2020 Richards, Fowkes & Co. III/73, Christ
Church Cathedral, Cincinnati, OH

Sunday, January 28, 4:00 PM William Porter, organ
recital, 2004 Fritts II/54, DeBartolo Performing arts
Center, Notre Dame University

Positions Available

Gethsemane Lutheran Church – ELCA seeks accompanist for 5:00 PM Saturday services and Adult Choir and handbell choir director for 9:15 Sunday morning service. Contact Pastor Deb Mueter by email at pastorgeth@frontier.com

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church seeks a regular organist for Sunday services at 9:30 AM. And until a regular organist is secured, substitute organists will be needed. If interested in either the regular position or substitute work, contact Deaconess Jeana Moe: email: dcsjeana@mtcfw.org; office: 260-203-3703 cell: 260-416-8472

Part-time organist/pianist, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 2305 Goshen Rd. II/16 Pilcher/Schantz organ, Sunday service at 10:00. September-May there is a Sunday choir rehearsal at 9:00. 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.

For Sale

THE COMPLETE ORGAN WORKS OF J.S. BACH-- Published by Kevin Mayhew; Edited by Alan Ridout (1994)

The set contains four magnificent volumes in publishers' gilt maroon cloth-on-board. These fine, unmarked copies of the organ scores are contained in a pristine matching slipcase. The set contains the entire organ works of J.S. Bach, as well as an introduction to the music, notes on ornaments, along with several useful indexes.

Please contact Kathy Kaney for more details: kathykaney@gmail.com or text 501-909-6480

Free Baby Grand Piano



Hardman baby grand piano is available for free in the Cherubusco area. Piano is in good (but not perfect) condition. Contact Steve Coburn (260) 693-3014

Free to a Good Home

An antique Mason & Hamlin melodium is available. Call Kathy Turner for more information at 260-486-0964. Mention Martin Gigler when calling, so that she knows where you heard about it.



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
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Germanfest, Follow the Pipes: Rosalie Bowker
Certification Coordinator Wayne Peterson
Program Committee Chair Matt Johnston
Newsletter Editor: David Hendricksen

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