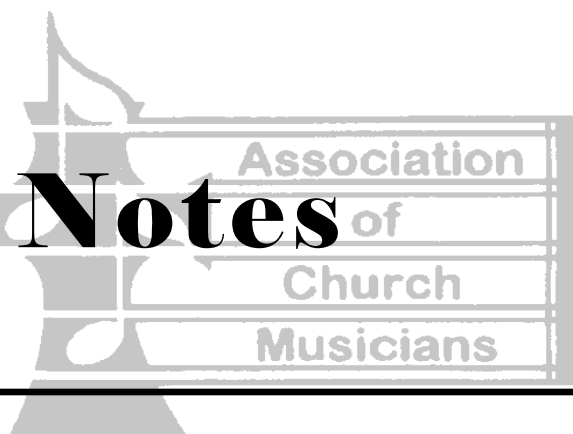


Church Music Notes

OCTOBER, 2005



President's Letter

Dear Friends,

What a pleasant event our Kick-off picnic/cookout was at the home of Dennis Douglas on Sunday, September 11. Forty-some members and guests shared in an evening of great food and wonderful fellowship. It was a special joy to share this time conversing with new and long-time members and their guests. A very special thank you goes to Dennis for attending to all the arrangements and welcoming us to his beautiful home and outdoor setting. We also thank everyone who brought a dish to share.



Our next social gathering will be the Church Music Appreciation Dinner & Member Recital at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Monona. Please plan to join this celebration of church music and church musicians on Sunday, January 15, 2006 with a 5:00pm catered dinner and a 6:30pm member recital featuring St. Stephen's new 30 rank Rosales-Parsons tracker pipe organ. This event is for EVERYONE in your church that is involved with music and worship—music directors, choir members, and clergy. In addition, we are extending a special invitation to non ACM member guest churches to join us as well. The Program Committee looks forward to welcoming you and musicians from your church for an exceptional evening. More details will be forthcoming very soon. In the meantime, please plan to save the date and let others in your church know about it as well.

It's not necessary to wait until January, however, to connect with your fellow ACM members. Rehearsals for the Ecumenical Hymn Festival, *"We Gather In Song,"* begin on Monday, October 10, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison (Raymond Road & Whitney Way). A reproducible registration form was included in the last newsletter and is also available to print from the ACM website (www.madisonacm.org). The website also includes complete details about the festival including the festival music listing. The Program Committee is looking forward to an Adult Festival Chorus of 100 voices and a Children's Festival Chorus of 50 voices. Please help us get the word out by inviting your choir members to share in this exciting event.

Lastly, we are very pleased to welcome concert organist Gail Archer in a return engagement to the Madison community. On Saturday, March 18, Ms. Archer has graciously agreed to lead our Hands-On Pipe Organ Experience for young keyboard musicians who have a minimum of three years of piano study. Students will enjoy playing the 2-manual Taylor & Boody organ at St. Andrew's Episcopal, the 2-manual Casavant organ at Grace Episcopal, and the 3-manual Wadsworth-Taylor organ at St. James Catholic. Depending on the number of youth who register, an opportunity may be offered for some adults to play at one of the sessions. Interested observers are also welcome. On Sunday, March 19 at 2:30pm, Ms. Archer will present a recital at St. James. To make all of this possible, we are in need of financial gifts from our membership to assist with expenses. Please kindly consider making a gift in any amount to support this special educational and outreach event. We are very pleased to recognize gifts of \$50 with two tickets and a complimentary Gail Archer CD. All gifts will be greatly appreciated and recognized per your preference in the recital program. All or part of your donation may be tax-deductible as your individual tax situation allows. It is our hope that we can raise the dollars needed for expenses to allow the ticket proceeds from the recital to go to ACM's Ruth Pilger Andrews Fund, which focuses on organ instruction for young organists. Thank you in advance for your help in raising the needed funds. It is very much appreciated!

I look forward to seeing you soon as *"We Gather in Song!"*

Blessings, Mark Bloedow

Positions Available

Note: Some of these listings have been shortened or edited. For complete and up-to-date information, as well as listings from previous newsletters, see www.madisonacm.org.

Choir Director: Christ Lutheran Church (ELCA) **DeForest** is searching for a choir director, approx. 6-8 hrs/week from September to May with additional summer hours possible. Prefer experience but will consider education in lieu of experience. Contact 608.846.4718 for additional information or send resume to christlc@merr.com.

Organist/Pianist: Salem United Church of Christ in **Verona** is searching for an organist/pianist to play worship service music, accompany choirs and provide other accompaniment as needed. Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings. Audition will include prepared organ and piano music as well as sight reading. Interested persons should contact the church at 608.845.7315 or send resume to the church at mark@saalemucc-verona.org or P.O. Box 930125, Verona, WI 53593-0125.

Coordinator of Music Ministries: West Middleton Lutheran Church (ELCA) seeks someone to lead music ministries of the congregation, including adult choir, bell choir, children's choir, celebration ensemble. Requires strong musical, leadership and interpersonal skills, ability to encourage participation, 6-8 hrs/week. Contact church at 608.833.5815, 3763 Pioneer Road, **Verona**, 53593 or see www.wmlchurch.org for more information.

Pianist/Keyboardist: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, **Madison**, is seeking a pianist/keyboardist to accompany a contemporary vocal/instrumental group for a Wednesday, 6:30-8:00pm weekly rehearsal and a blended worship service on Saturday at 5:00pm. Candidates should have good keyboard skills and enjoy accompanying. Paid part-time position. Please send a cover letter and resume with references to Mark Bloedow, Director of Worship & Music, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 Raymond Rd, Madison, WI 53711, or e-mail to mbloedow@gsllcwi.com.



ACM will be hosting concert organist **Gail Archer** who will perform a recital on Sunday, March 19, 2006 @ St. James Catholic Church, 1128 St. James Court, Madison, WI. The music will begin at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children and youth college age or younger. Proceeds will benefit the Ruth Pilger Andrews Scholarship Fund.

Gail will also teach a master class which will be the concluding event in the Hands on Pipe Organ Experience for Madison area youth. The master class will also be held at St. James. We will appreciate gifts of **\$50.00** to underwrite the expenses for the recitalist so ticket sales can go to the scholarship fund. Please consider supporting this event. [see form below]

GAIL ARCHER RECITAL - Ticket Order / Contribution Form

Name _____
 Address _____
 Email: _____ Phone: _____

I (we) would like to:

order _____ adult tickets @ \$10.00 **TOTAL ENCLOSED** _____
 order _____ youth tickets @ \$5.00
 support the recital with a gift of \$50.00
 (Donation includes 2 free tickets and Gail Archer's recent CD recording)

Mail this form and payment to ACM, P.O. Box 5321, Madison, WI 53705

A confirmation letter will be sent to you acknowledging receipt of your donation.
 Ticket Orders and Contributions received through February 24, 2006 by mail.
 After this date, tickets available at the door.

Board Briefs

- ACM Kick-off event hosted by board member Dennis Douglas was well attended and enjoyed by all.
- Registrations are coming in for the hymn festival adult and children's choirs.
- Discussion about the best and most efficient way to get the newsletter mailed.
- Newsletters are now posted on the ACM website! Go to madisonacm.org.
- Letters will go out to churches that have not yet renewed for the new year.

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Heinrich Walther CD available

Heinrich Walther, German organist, who has performed several times at Trinity Lutheran Church in Madison, announces his new CD of music by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy. The tour de force work is Heinrich's organ transcription of Mendelssohn's *Reformation Symphony*. The performance is recorded on the Buchholz Organ of 1821 in St. Marien, Barth, Germany. Michael Fuerst provided the English translation for the informative booklet. Also on the recording are *Sonata in f minor*, *Praeludium in c minor*, *Praeludium and fugue in c minor*, and Heinrich's transcription of *Canzonetta in g minor*. Cost of \$20 includes shipping. Order from Arlyn Fuerst by e-mail wp7022@windsorparkside.com or by calling 608.846.9691. Arlyn will forward the order to Heinrich and when you receive your CD, simply send a \$20 bill to Heinrich, at the address he provides.

From "Life Together" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

It is the voice of the Church that is heard in singing together. It is not you that sings, it is the Church that is singing, and you, as a member of the Church, may share in its song. Thus all singing together . . . serves to widen our spiritual horizon, make us see our little company as a member of the great Christian Church on earth, and help us willingly and gladly to join our singing, be it feeble or good, to the song of the Church.


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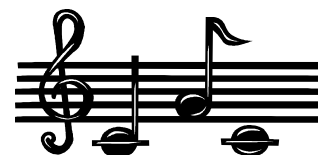
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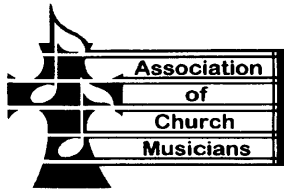
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Upcoming Events of Interest (ACM events in bold)

Sunday, October 2, 7:00pm, Organ Recital by German artist Julian Bewig, including music of Marchand, Bach/Vivaldi, Mendelssohn and Reubke, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1904 Winnebago Str, Madison, free will offering will be taken.

Wednesdays October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and ongoing, 12:00-12:30pm, Weekly Noontime Organ Recital by Bruce Bengston, Luther Memorial Church, Madison, see www.luthermem.org for repertoire and parking info.

Mondays, October 10, 17 and 24, 6:30pm, Ecumenical Hymn Festival rehearsals, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 Raymond Road, Madison, 6:30-8:00pm for adult choir, 6:30-7:30pm for children's choir, must be pre-registered. Complete information regarding repertoire and other items available at www.madisonacm.org. Concert is scheduled Feb 12, 2006.

Friday, October 14, 7:30pm, Duo Dialogus concert, "A Protestant and Catholic Dialogue," Michael Fuerst, organ and harpsichord, and Julie Andrijeski, Baroque violin, featuring music of German musicians of the 19th century, including several newly rediscovered works, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1904 Winnebago Str, Madison, tickets \$12, \$10 for seniors/students. (Michael is the son of ACM member and Trinity Lutheran organist and choir director Arlyn Fuerst).

Sunday, October 23, 7:00pm, Concert on the 1893 Steere & Sons Organ at Luther Memorial Church, Madison, in celebration of the organ being placed on the list of organs of historical value by the Organ Historical Society. Cellist Karl Lavine and violinist Suzanne Beia will join organist Bruce Bengston in the program, which is free and open to the public.

Sunday, November 6, 4:30pm, Annual All Saints' Choral Evening Prayer, Luther Memorial Church, Madison.

Sunday, November 13, 3:00pm, Organ Recital by Polish concert and recording artist Marek Kudlicki, including works by Polish composers of the Renaissance, baroque, and early 20th century, as well as works by Bach, Brahms, and Saint-Saëns. Covenant Presbyterian Church, 326 S. Segoe Rd. Madison. Suggested donation, \$10.

Sunday, November 20, 2:30pm, the Organ Open House at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Monona has been postponed. Watch for a new ACM event to be announced for this date—details in the next newsletter and on the website.

Save the date! The American Guild of Organists, National Convention will be held in Chicago July 2-6, www.agohq.org.