

Church Music Notes

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Annual Members' Recital will be held Sunday, October 14, at 2:00pm

Plan now to join us at Oakwood Village West in the Resurrection Chapel for our annual Members' Recital. ACM members and friends are invited to offer music selections of their choosing, with a preference this year for music involving keyboard with instrumentalists and/or vocalists. Instruments available in the chapel include a Bruce Case pipe organ and a grand piano. Rehearsal times will be available from 12:00noon until the time of the concert on October 14 and on Saturday, October 13, from 1:00 to 5:00pm.

The coordinator for this program is ACM past president Mark Bloedow. Please get in touch with Mark if you are willing to participate in the program or can help out with this event. He can be reached at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at 608.271.6633, ext. 112 or by e-mail at mbloedow@gslcwi.com.

Fall Hymn Festival Planned for Sunday, November 18

Please make plans to join your friends and colleagues for a Fall Hymn Festival on Sunday, November 18. The event will be held at First Congregational Church at 1609 University Avenue in Madison (pictured at right). Details will be forthcoming, but plan to save the afternoon of Sunday November 11 for a rehearsal. The church has a 38 rank Holtkamp pipe organ and a nine-foot grand piano.



ACM "Kickoff" Potluck a Success

On Sunday, August 26, more than 25 ACM members, family and friends gathered at the home of Mark Brampton Smith in Middleton for ACM's first program event of the year. Dennis Douglas prepared the chicken and a potluck table was filled with a variety of other dishes. ACM Chaplain David Susan offered a meditation before the meal. It was indeed "substance before sustenance." Good food, fine fellowship and a gracious host and hostess made for a very enjoyable time together. Donations to the "music swap" raised over \$160.00 for ACM.

Donate Music to ACM

Do you have organ music, piano music or other instrumental music which is overfilling your music shelf? Perhaps you have an edition that you have replaced or a work that you just won't have the time to learn. Maybe you purchased one copy, only to discover you already owned another. Maybe you just wish or need to downsize. You can give that music to ACM at any time during the year. The music will then be available at various ACM events for others to take. Those taking music are asked to make a donation to ACM. For more information, please contact John Krueger by e-mail (jkrueger@chorus.net) or phone (608-249-0679).

President's Letter

The program year at our churches is in full swing. Choirs of all ages are rehearsing, instrumental ensembles that may have had time off have resumed practice. The service that was deleted from the summer schedule is back. Major holidays, concerts and other events loom in front of us. It is indeed a busy yet exciting time. As you plan, rehearse, practice and prepare, please remember that you are ACM and ACM exists for you. Have a question? Maybe a fellow ACM member has an answer. Have a problem? Maybe a fellow ACM member can suggest a solution. Above all, pray. But also stay in contact with your fellow musicians in ACM. Here are two ways to do that. Participate in the member's recital on October 14. Become part of the ACM Hymn Festival on November 18. More information on each of these events can be found on this page above this article. As always, your ideas and suggestions for ACM programs and events are welcome. Please contact Mark Smith, Mark Bloedow or me.

Blessings, John R. Krueger, 608-249-0679, jkrueger@chorus.net.

Upcoming Events

Saturdays October 20, November 17 and December 22, Free Hymn Sings in Overture Hall with Curator Sam Hutchinson on the Overture Organ.

Tuesday, October 23, 7:30pm, Music for Organ, Brass and Percussion in Overture Hall, tickets are available at the Overture Hall Box Office.

Saturday, October 27, 7:00pm, recording artist Tatiana will perform her "I Do Believe" concert at Sinsinawa Mound, info at 608.748.4411, ext. 811.

Saturday, October 27, 7:30pm, International Organ Concert Series at First Congregational Church, 801 Bushnell Street in Beloit, WI, featuring FCC's organist Max H. Yount. See below for more information.

Tuesday, November 6, 7:30pm, International Organ Concert Series at First Congregational Church, 801 Bushnell Street in Beloit, WI, featuring organist Heinrich Walther. See below for more information.

Wednesday, November 7, 7:30pm, International Organ Concert Series at First Congregational Church, 801 Bushnell Street in Beloit, WI, again featuring French organist Heinrich Walther. For more information on these concerts contact Max H. Yount at yountm@beloit.edu or 608.363.2387 or the church at 608.362.4821. All are invited, free will offering.

Sunday, November 11, 3:00pm, Kassia Women in Song performance at Heritage Congregational Church, 3102 Prairie Road, Madison. For more info, call 608.274.0833 or see www.heritagemadison.org.

Sunday, November 11, 7:00pm, presentation of the complete Art of the Fugue (Bach) by German organist Heinrich Walther, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 550 Lincoln Drive, Sun Prairie. Tickets at church office and at the door. Contact John Krueger for more information (608.249.0679, jkrueger@chorus.net).

Luther Memorial Church Celebrates 100 Years

Luther Memorial, and National Lutheran Campus Ministry, have a common founding year - 1907.

In that year, a Lutheran mission to the University was begun, using the English language for all services.

To celebrate the centennial, a number of public events are planned.

Sunday, October 14, 6:00pm, Jazz will be played throughout the hour, leading to a 7:00 pm Jazz Vespers, an experiential service led by Jazz musician Jim Erickson, and friends.

Sunday, October 21, 3:00pm, Hymn Festival, led by the parish choirs and instrumentalists.

Saturday, October 27, 7:30pm, Organ Recital by Dr. John Chappell Stowe, free and open to the public.

Sunday, October 28, 10:00am, Festival Anniversary Service on Reformation Sunday with choirs and instrumentalists.

Sunday November 4, 4:30pm, All Saints' Evening Prayer service, led by the parish choirs.

Luther Memorial Church is located at 1021 University Avenue in Madison. For more information on any of the above, contact Director of Music Bruce Bengston at 608.258.3160 or go to the church's website at www.luthermem.org.



Positions Available

(for up-to-date listings and those from previous newsletters, please visit our website: www.madisonacm.org)

Choir Director, Glenwood Moravian Community Church, a small west-Madison protestant church, is looking for a part-time adult choir director, including leading rehearsals and directing the choir on Sundays from fall to spring. Preparation for, and participation in, a community Advent concert is also expected. Send resume to: Pastor, 725 Gilmore Str., Madison, WI 53711, 608.233.8709, or e-mail glenwoodmoravian@tds.net.

Choir Director (part time): McFarland United Church of Christ is looking for a part-time choir director (approximately 3 hours per week for a 40-week choir season). The ideal candidate should have at least one year of experience in directing a church choir. Interested persons may contact Pastor Wayne Shannon by telephone at 608.838.9322, or by e-mail at pastormcfarucc@verizon.net.

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Keep in Touch...

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Chorister's Guild President's Letter

To members of the Madison Area Choristers Guild and other interested persons,

I'm excited to invite you to participate in the 2008 Choristers Guild Festival, to be held Saturday April 5, 2008 at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Madison.

The clinician for the day will be John Horman, who retired from teaching after twenty-six years with the Montgomery County, Maryland Public School System. He taught general music and drama for twenty-one years at the elementary level and five years at the secondary level, and worked extensively with choruses at both levels. He also received the Broom Award for Excellence for his work in composition for children. John has served Warner Memorial Presbyterian Church in Kensington, Maryland for thirty-four years as Organist and Director of Music. He oversees four choral groups, two bell choirs, and an inter-generational instrumental ensemble. Over ninety members of the congregation participate in musical groups. John's compositions are found in the catalogues of over ten nation-wide publishers. Over the last decade John has served as clinician for children and youth at national conferences held by Presbyterians, American Baptists, Methodists, Lutherans and Disciples of Christ. His work as a choral clinician has taken him to over 50 children's choir festivals in the last 15 years. John has served both on the Choristers Guild Board of Directors and The Board of Directors of the Presbyterian Association of Musicians.

I am also proud to tell you that we have commissioned John to write a piece specifically for the event that will be dedicated to the Madison Chapter of Choristers Guild. It is based on the text 1 Peter 4:10-11:

Each of you has received a gift to use to serve others. Be good servants of God's various gifts of grace. Anyone who serves should serve with the strength God gives so that in everything God will be praised through Jesus Christ. Power and glory belong to him forever and ever. Amen.

In addition to the choir festival we will have a director's workshop on Friday April 4th from 6:00pm-9:00pm, including a dinner from 6:00-7:30pm followed by a workshop with John Horman from 7:30-9:00pm. Details of location and menu will be released at a later date.

Fees for the event are \$25 for 1-5 Singers, \$50 for 6-15 Singers and \$75 for 16 or more Singers. We will also be accepting a free-will offering at the concert to help defray costs. Included in this newsletter you will find the anthem list for the event, outline for the day of the festival and a registration form. Please register for the event by January 30, 2008.

Sarah Holtz, President, Madison Area Choristers Guild

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Festival Anthem List for Children's Choir Festival, April 5, 2008

Saints Today, Saints of Old

By John Horman
Abingdon Press
712401700 (\$1.50)

This Little Light of Mine

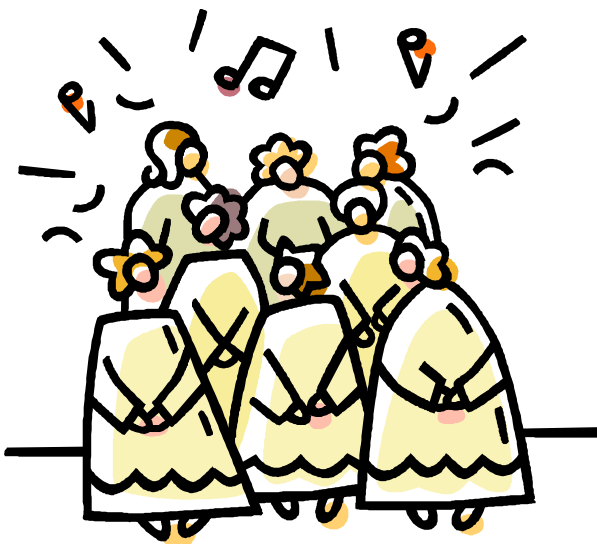
Arr. James Patterson
Unison/two part
CGA1108 (\$1.85)

Forever We Shall Sing

Arr. John R. Paradowsi
Unison/two part
CGA1096 (\$1.95)

Tune My Heart

By James Brighton
Unison
CGA1101 (\$1.85)



The fifth piece is the commissioned work by John Horman that is anticipated in mid-September. Please contact Sarah Holtz (sholtz@gslcwi.com or 608.843.0520) for copies of the piece.

Proposed Outline of the Day:

8:30-9:00am	Arrival and Registration
9:00-10:15am	First Rehearsal
10:15-10:45am	Break (snacks provided by each group)
10:45-12:00pm	Second Rehearsal (initial line-up of the group)
12:00-1:15pm	Lunch (\$3.00 per child, or bring picnic lunches)
1:15-2:00pm	Final Rehearsal
2:00-3:00pm	Concert with Free-will Offering
3:00pm	Departure

Madison Area Choristers Guild
Children's Choir Festival 2008



Registration Form

Choir Director's Name _____

Church _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Number of choir members attending: _____

Number of Students for Lunch (\$3.00/child): _____

Registration Fee: ___ 1-5 Singers (\$25) ___ 6-15 Singers (\$50)
 ___ 16 or more Singers (\$75)

Volunteers Needed:

___ Publicity ___ Planning ___ Registrations ___ Offering
___ Mailings ___ Programs ___ Other

___ Yes, I will be attending the Directors Workshop
 Friday April 4th, 2008, 6:00pm-9:00pm

Return registrations to:

ACM, P.O. Box 5321, Madison, WI 53705

Checks can be made out to Association of Church Musicians

Registrations are due by January 30, 2008