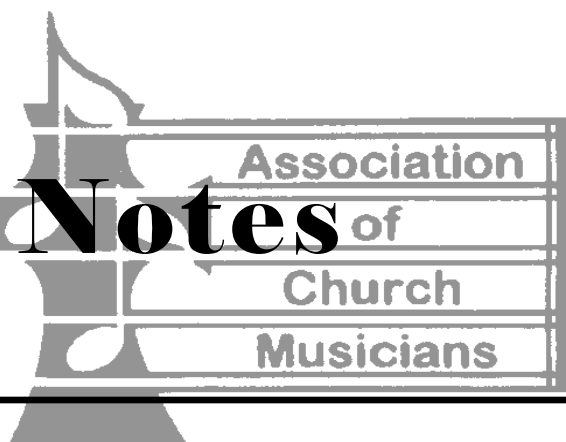


Church Music Notes

DECEMBER 2008



Plan now to join your ACM Colleagues at the Annual Church Music Appreciation Dinner, Friday, January 23 at 6:00pm

We will gather at the beautiful and historic First Unitarian Society, at 900 University Bay Drive (pictured at right), for the evening's dinner and program. Plan to arrive at 6:00pm for hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner at 6:30pm and a program at 7:30pm. Dinner will take place in the church's stunning new addition, which was just completed this fall.

The cost for the event will be \$10.00 per person, which includes the meal and the program. **REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY JANUARY 19.** Please use the form on page three of this newsletter to register or e-mail Linda Warren at linda.warren@tds.net. Information will also be available on our website, www.MadisonACM.org.



Our caterer for the evening will be church member and Monty's Blue Plate Diner Chef Jennifer Gaber (pictured at left), who will serve a buffet of Hungarian Beef Stew, Turkey Tetrazzini over buttermilk biscuits, and vegetarian Butternut Squash Lasagna with pine nuts, along with vegetable side dishes and rolls. Gaber is well known for her work at some of Madison's finest locally owned restaurants over the years, including the Ovens of Brit-tany, Kingston Inn, Canterbury Booksellers Café, Ivy Inn Restaurant and Luigi's Diner.



The evening's program will be held in the church's Landmark Auditorium, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and renovated as part of the church's overall construction project. Our program will feature church member and well-known local harpsichordist Trevor Stephenson (pictured at left and lower left), playing the Society's French Double Manual harpsichord, a copy of a 1769 Pascal Taskin at Edinburgh University (pictured above). It was assembled by Mark Rosa of Madison from a c. 1979 Frank Hubbard kit. The Mark



Rosa harpsichord has two keyboards, two 8 foot stops, one 4 foot stop, two buff stops and a shove coupler. The program will be titled "Bach, Handel and Scarlatti at the 18th-century Harpsichord." Trevor Stephenson received degrees in piano performance from the University of Missouri and University of Illinois, and was awarded the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Historical Performance of Eighteenth-Century Music from Cornell University. In 1990 he began rebuilding and customizing a series of keyboard instruments, including the Mark Rosa harpsichord he will be performing on. In 1994 he founded the Light & Shadow concert and recording company and has issued twelve recordings on that label. Since 2004 he has also served as harpsichordist and Artistic Director of the Madison Bach Musicians.



Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 30, 2:00pm, Messiah Sing-A-Long at Sun Prairie United Methodist Church, 702 North Street, Sun Prairie. Admission is a suggested donation of \$5 or more and proceeds will go towards local natural disaster relief. Visit www.sunprairieumc.org for more information or call 608.237.1481 or send an email to mwhillestad@sunprairieumc.org.

Sunday, November 30, 3:00pm, Organ Recital at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1021 Spaight Street, Madison, featuring organist John Chappell Stowe. This is a fundraiser to assist with longtime ACM member Roger Hanson's medical expenses, with matching money from Thrivent. **Please print and post the poster on page 5 at your churches.**

Sunday, November 30, 7:00pm, Luther Memorial Church, 1021 University Ave, Madison, will install new Senior Pastor Rev. Franklin Wilson. The entire Madison community is invited to attend and share in this happy event.

Friday, December 5, 7:00pm, Food Pantry Concert at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 550 Lincoln Dr., Sun Prairie. Choirs & ensembles from area churches perform Christmas music and the audience sings carols. Freewill offering to go to the Sun Prairie Food Pantry. For more information, contact John Krueger (608.249.0679, j.krueger@att.net).

Friday, December 5, 7:00pm, The Fayrfax Ensemble and their guests, the Trinity Recorder Consort, will present their sixth annual concert of Advent and Christmas music from the Middle Ages and Renaissance at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1904 Winnebago St., Madison. The Fayrfax Ensemble includes Ann Edahl-soprano, Jane Ferris- mezzo-soprano, Stephen Johnson-tenor, Mike Peterson-bass. For more information, contact Ann Edahl at 608.238.4284 or e-mail info@fayrfaxensemble.com. Admission: Free-will offering.

Sunday, December 7, 9:00 and 10:15am services (west campus, 7291 County Hwy PD) and **6:00pm** (central campus, 5701 Raymond Road, Madison), Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Annual Festival of Carols. A \$5 donation is appreciated. A reception hosted by the Friends of Music will follow in Peterson Hall. All are welcome!

Friday and Saturday, December 12 & 13, 7:30pm, Madison Area Concert Handbells Annual Christmas Concert, Asbury United Methodist Church, 6101 University Ave., Madison. Tickets are available at Borders and Orange Tree Imports or at the door.

Sunday, December 14, 9:15 & 10:45am, Magnificat by John Rutter, by Bethel Lutheran Church Choir with orchestra and soloists. Gary Lewis, Director of Music, will conduct. This musical offering is made possible through the generous support of the Bethel Endowment Foundation. Bethel Lutheran Church is located at 312 Wisconsin Ave, Madison.

Sunday, December 14, 3:00pm, Madison Area Concert Handbells Annual Christmas Concert at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 1609 University Ave., Madison. Tickets are available at Borders and Orange Tree Imports or at the door.

Sunday, December 14, 6:00pm, Christmas by Candlelight at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 550 Lincoln Dr., Sun Prairie. Adult and youth choirs, handbells, and instrumentalists perform music for Advent and Christmas. Freewill offering to go to the Sun Prairie Food Pantry. For more info, contact John Krueger (608.249.0679, j.krueger@att.net).

Sunday, December 21, 8:00 and 10:30am, The Choir at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Arlington, will be performing sections from Handel's Messiah with a chamber orchestra, which will also perform Handel's Organ Concerto in F. For information: 608-635-4825 or stpeterluth@centurytel.net

Saturday, December 27, 7:00pm, The Third Day of Christmas Carol Sing and Organ Concert will be held at Luther Memorial Church, 1021 University Ave, Madison. Carols and hymns will be sung by candlelight with Director of Music Bruce Bengtson, at the organ. There will be an opportunity to make an offering to the Grace Church Food Pantry. Monetary contributions are encouraged. All are cordially invited.

Sunday, January 4, 2009, 10:30am, Feast of the Epiphany Eucharist in Queen of the Rosary Chapel at Sinsinawa Mound and **4:00pm**, the Sinsinawa Mound Civic Chorus will sing at the Epiphany Prayer Service, which includes preaching, music, and a procession to the Christmas crèche. For more information, contact Sr. Mary Ellen Winston at 608.748.4411, ext. 843 or visit our Web site at www.sinsinawa.org.

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President's Letter

As I wrote last month, mimicking UPS, "What can ACM do for you?" Let me rephrase that. What ACM programming would first of all be most useful to you? Let me rephrase that again. What would stimulate your attendance at and participation in ACM events? Here is a way for you to answer these questions vital to our organization. You will soon be receiving by mail a survey concerning your contact with ACM, ACM's annual programming, and your involvement in ACM. The survey is short. Please take time to complete it, then refold it, fasten it shut, and mail it back to us (a stamp will be provided). Q: Why a survey? A: We need YOUR input. As the ACM program committee plans for next year, we need to know what "connects" with YOU and what meets YOUR needs. And we need your presence and your help. So, be frank. Be open. Be thoughtful. Add comments. And reply promptly.

Be well, do good work, and plan to attend the Church Music Appreciation Dinner on January 23.
John R. Krueger, 422 Maple Avenue, Madison, WI 53704-5841, 608-249-0679, j.krueger@att.net

Church Music Appreciation Dinner Reservation Form

Church Music Appreciation Dinner, January 23, 2009
First Unitarian Society, 900 University Bay Drive, Madison
Gather at 6:00pm, catered dinner at 6:30pm, program at 7:30pm
Cost for the buffet dinner, including appetizers, entrees, salads, rolls, dessert
and beverages is \$10.00 per person.
.REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 19, so please register early!

Names _____ Church _____

Contact person phone number _____ E-mail _____

Total amount enclosed: _____ how many @ \$10.00 = \$ _____

Make check payable to ACM and mail to: Association of Church Musicians/DINNER
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Benefit Organ Recital*

by

John Chappell Stowe

John Chappell Stowe is Professor of Organ and Harpsichord at University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Music where he has taught since 1984. In addition to studio teaching he co-directs the UW- Madison Collegium Musicum. Dr. Stowe is a graduate of Southern Methodist University (Dallas) and Eastman School of Music. He performs throughout the country both as soloist and ensemble performer on organ and harpsichord. Following his special interests in Italian music and the music of J.S. Bach Dr. Stowe has also worked with Stefano Innocenti and Luigi Ferdinando Tagliavini. Recordings include a CD on Ethereal Records featuring the historic English organ at St. James Catholic Church in Madison, Wisconsin, and a recording, Fenster, on which he performs with UW-Madison trumpet professor John Aley.

Sunday – November 30th 3:00 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

1021 Spaight Street

Madison, WI 53703-3589

(608) 257-5401

www.immanuelmadison.org

Tickets — \$10.00 each

may be purchased in advance through the Church Office or at the door.

*Proceeds from the recital will be directed to assist Roger Hanson – longtime Minister of Music at Immanuel and retired from MG&E. Roger's health insurance will cover the knee replacement surgery required if he is to walk again. However, before that surgery can commence, Roger must have about \$4,500 worth of dental work performed. The dental work is not covered by his insurance. Matching funds from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans are being requested.

Parking Aplenty

Lot A is next to the church accessible from Spaight

Lot B is across from the church on Spaight accessible from Spaight.

Lot C is next to lot B accessible by driving through lot B from Spaight.

Lot D is next to lot C accessible from Jenifer or by driving through lots B & C from Spaight Street.



**Association of Church Musicians
Members' Recital**

Part of the "Organ Spectacular" in celebration of the American Guild of Organists' International Year of the Organ (participants pictured at right).

Sunday, October 19, 2008, 3:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison

Voluntary in C Major, by H. Purcell

Matthew Sundell & David Hanson, Trumpets

Mark Bloedow, Organ

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee, by Gordon Young

Praise to the Lord, by Gordon Young

Ann Uresk Herr

Prelude and Fugue in D minor—the "Fiddle"
(BWV 539), by J. S. Bach

Gary Lewis

Pastorale in E Major, by César Franck

Toccata in G Major, by Theodore Dubois

Mark Bloedow

Ornament of Grace, by Bernard Wayne Sanders

Ann Uresk Herr, Violin

John Krueger, Organ

Duet from "Blessed are they that considereth the poor," by G.F. Handel

Deana Hipke and Anna Hipke-Krueger, Sopranos

John Krueger, Organ

Fanfare, by Jacques Lemmens

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier (BWV 731), by J. S. Bach

Miriam's Dance, by Joel Martinson

Based on scripture from the Exodus 15:20-21.

Valerie Walth

Consolation, by Franz Lizst, arr. By H. A. Stamm

Gloria Patri Concertato, by Vaclav Nelhybel

A Perfect Fifth Brass*

Dennis Douglas, Organ

Rise, Shine, You People! (LBW 393)

Please join in singing this hymn.

A Perfect Fifth Brass*

Dennis Douglas, Organ

Toccata, Adagio, & Fugue in C Major, by J. S. Bach

Mark Brampton Smith

*Members of A Perfect Fifth Brass include:

David Hanson, trumpet; Julie Hearley, french horn;
Bertrand Lanher, trombone; Brett Stewart, tuba; and
Matthew Sundell, trumpet.



Pictured above are participants in the International Year of the Organ Members' Recital held on October 19 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The program is printed at left

Pictured below are some of the organists and friends who attended the East Side Organ Crawl on November 15. The group enjoyed seeing, hearing and playing organs at Trinity Lutheran Church, with our host Wendy Ward, St. Bernard Catholic Church, with our host Ken Sosinski, Lake Edge Lutheran Church, with our host Jay Wolf, and St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, with our host Dennis Douglas. Thank you to our hosts, who were willing to open their doors and organ lofts to us!



Great Hymns & Choruses Hymn Festival—Singers & Chimers Needed!

We hope you received in the mail full details about ACM's upcoming hymn festival...*Great Hymns & Choruses!*

We are excited about gathering ACM and community performers to present our fourth annual hymn festival on February 15, 2009, 3:00pm, at Asbury United Methodist Church, 6101 University Avenue, Madison. Rehearsals for the Festival Choir & Festival Chime Choir will also be held at Asbury on February 1 & 8 from 2:00-3:30pm. The program will highlight many wonderful hymns and choral gems that continue uplifting God's people in song—great works by Bach, Handel, Haydn, and Mendelssohn to name a few! Singers from churches large and small will enjoy joining forces to bring to life this great music of the church.

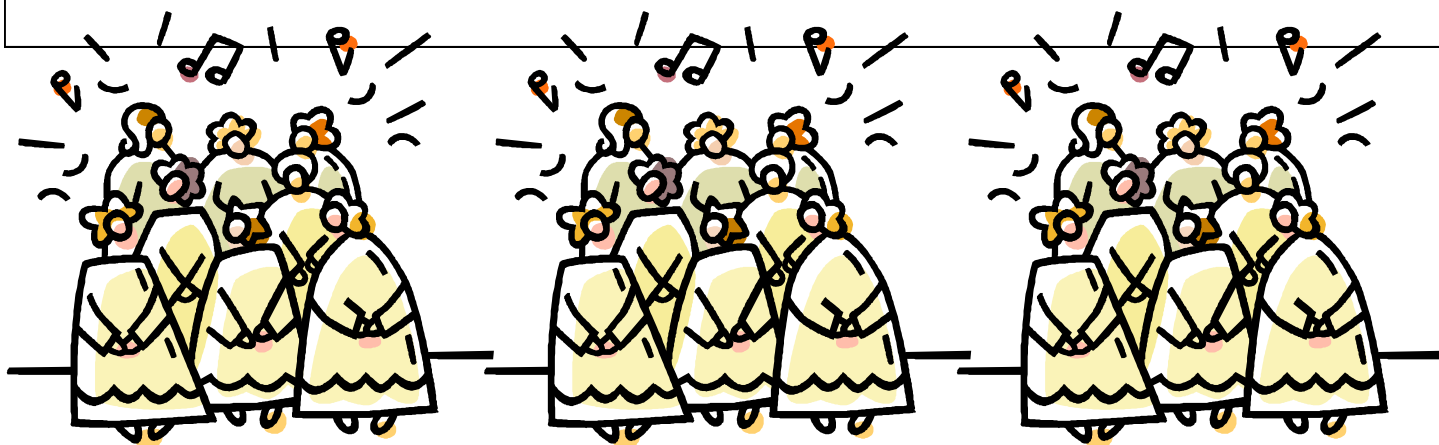
Your help is needed to share the news about this special event! Included in this newsletter on pages 8-10 are an information sheet about the festival and a registration form (copy as needed), as well as a poster announcing the invitation to singers and chimers. Please print the poster on page 10 to post in your churches. Thank you in advance for sharing this information with your music participants and congregation.

Please plan to **sign-up today** by filling out and returning the registration form to ACM. And, thank you for helping share the word to bring together an outstanding group of singers and chimers for this very special annual event.

Should you have any further questions, please contact the ensemble directors:

Festival Chorus: Mark Bloedow (mbloedow@gslcwi.com) or
Sonja Kremer (snbkremer@msn.com)

Festival Chime Choir: Linda Warren (linda.warren@tds.net).



Great Hymns & Choruses

ACM Annual Hymn Festival, February 15, 2009

ENSEMBLES

Festival Chorus co-directed by Mark Bloedow, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Madison (mbloedow@gsclwi.com) and Sonja Kremer, Hope Lutheran, McFarland (snbkremer@msn.com).

Festival Chime Choir directed by Linda Warren, First Unitarian, Madison (linda.warren@tds.net).

REGISTRATION

Participation in the Hymn Festival is open to ACM member churches and their members, as well as, members of the community.

To register, individuals should complete and submit the official registration form by January 15, 2009—the form is available from the ACM web site (www.madisonacm.org). Please contact the above group directors after this date to inquire about registration availability.

DATES AND TIMES

Sun., February 1 Festival Rehearsals

Sun., February 8 2-3:30pm Choir & Chimes

Sun., February 15 Great Hymns & Choruses Hymn Festival

1:00-2:30pm Mass Rehearsal

2:30-3:00pm Regrouping, guest arrival/seating

3:00-4:30pm Hymn Festival

4:30-5:30pm ACM reception for participants/guests

All rehearsals and the festival will be held at **Asbury United Methodist Church**, 6101 University Avenue, Madison. Contact at Asbury is Jonathan Orwig, 608/238-9211.

MUSIC AND BLACK CHORAL FOLDER

Many of the selections in the festival are considered standard titles in church music libraries—please make every effort to secure your own copies of the festival choral music. Complimentary or loan copies of some of the festival music will be provided whenever possible. Singers should provide their own black choral folder. A final listing of the Hymn Festival Music will be posted on the ACM website (www.madisonacm.org). Music will be provided for the chime choir.

DRESS

A standard dress of long sleeved white shirt/blouse, long black pants/skirt, black socks/hose and black shoes/flats will be required dress for all participants.

QUESTIONS

Please contact the ensemble directors with any additional questions.

Festival Chorus

Mark Bloedow (mbloedow@gsclwi.com)

Sonja Kremer (snbkremer@msn.com).

Festival Chime Choir

Linda Warren (linda.warren@tds.net)

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Great Hymns & Choruses

ACM Annual Hymn Festival
February 15, 2009

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please copy this form as needed or print from: www.madisonacm.org).

Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Phone	
E-mail	
Church Name	
Voice Part	Soprano/Mezzo Soprano Alto Tenor Baritone/Bass
Registering for:	Festival Chorus Chime Choir

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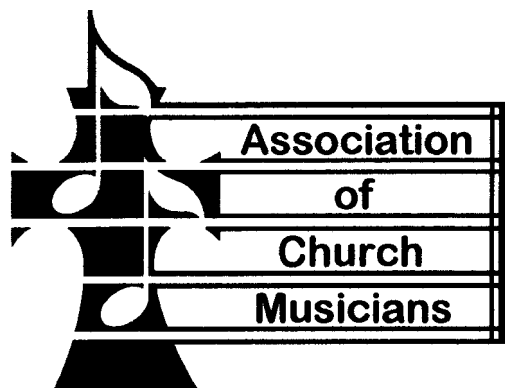
To register, individuals should complete and submit the official registration form by **January 15, 2009**. Please contact the group directors after this date to inquire about registration availability.

There is no cost to register for the Hymn Festival, however, singers are asked to provide as much of their own music as possible and a black choral folder. Concert dress is required of all participants.

To register, please complete this form and return to:

Association of Church Musicians, P.O. Box 5321, Madison, WI 53705.

Great Hymns and Choruses



Singers and
Chimers needed!

DATE and TIME: Sunday, February 15, 2009 at 3:00pm

REHEARSALS: Sundays, February 1 and 8, 2:00-3:30pm

LOCATION: Asbury United Methodist Church
6101 University Avenue, Madison
(pictured below)

Choir members from ACM congregations and the community are invited to sing in the Festival Chorus or play in the Festival Chime Choir. If you would like to sing, contact Mark Bloedow at mbloedow@gsicwi.com. If you

are interested in playing in the chime choir, contact Linda Warren at linda.warren@tds.net.



Information is also available at our website:

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