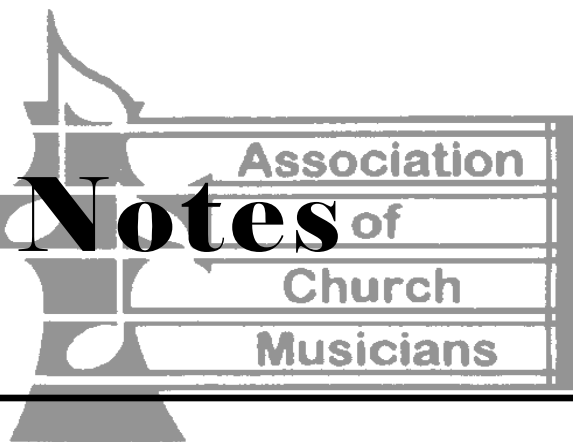


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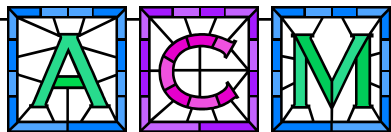
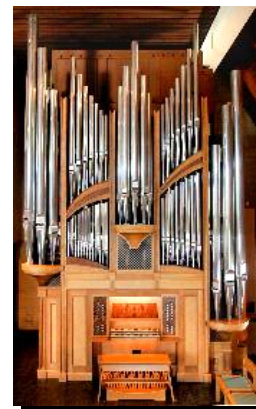
Coming November 19: ACM Members Recital

Join us at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 5700 Pheasant Hill Road in Monona, on Sunday, November 19 at 4:00pm for an ACM Members Recital. A reception will follow the recital.

The new 2 manual, 29 stop, 30 rank organ at St. Stephen's (pictured at right) was designed by Manuel Rosales and Parsons and constructed by Parsons Pipe Organ Builders.

The organ was dedicated in June, 2006. Specifications can be found on the church website: www.ststephensmonona.com. A grand piano will also be available.

For more information, please contact John Krueger at 608.257.5877 (wk), 608.249.0679 (hm), or jkruieger@pattimusic.com. Please limit the length of works to 10 minutes. Practice times will be available on Sunday, November 19, from 12:30pm until 3:15pm or by appt. with Dennis Douglas, Director of Music at St. Stephen's.



President's Letter

Dear Friends,

Welcome to this second month of *Church Music Notes* as an online only publication. As we continue looking for ways to make this transition a success into the future, please *help us help you* by keeping our records up to date with your current e-mail address. Please e-mail Becky Oliphant, ACM registrar, with updates at oliphant@tds.net. I can't emphasize enough how much we appreciate your help with that.

Here are a few other things you should know about the online newsletter and e-mail communications from ACM:

New! ACM E-update: Now doesn't that sound cool! Each month around the 10th of the month you will receive a brief reminder e-mail about ACM and member events. The e-mail will include links to other sites for more information as needed.

Church Music Notes: Each month around the 25th of each month you will receive an e-mail notifying you that the newest newsletter has been posted to the ACM web site. For your convenience, links are included to easily access the homepage and newsletter page.

To streamline communications from ACM and not overload your *inbox*, it is our goal to send you just these two e-mails each month. In addition, two or three times a year a postcard will be mailed to ACM members and friends highlighting upcoming events. If you have announcements about events for the ACM E-update, please e-mail these to Linda Warren, linda.warren@tds.net, prior to the 10th of each month. Submissions for the newsletter are due by the 15th of each month, also to Linda Warren.

Our new communication plan is designed to keep you informed, as well as, reach new members and friends who share our passion for quality church music. Thank you again for your interest in ACM and for supporting this important transition.

Blessings, Mark Bloedow, ACM President/AGO Dean

Dr. John Behnke Hymn Festival Sunday, January 28, 2007

Singers & Ringers Needed for Hymn Festival

ACM has invited Dr. John Behnke, Professor of Music at Concordia University Wisconsin, to present a hymn festival at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison, on Sunday, January 28, 3:30p.m. Dr. Behnke (pictured at right) will be the organist, director and composer for the festival he created titled "The Light of God."



SINGERS: ACM Choir Directors are asked to sign-up singers from their church and teach them the music in advance of the two group rehearsals on Sunday, January 14 & 21, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison, Central Campus. The choir music includes favorite hymns and

See In Yonder Manger Low (Concordia Publishing House, 98-3463);
Psalm 27: The Lord is My Light and Salvation (Choristers Guild, CGA 981); and
Psalm 150: Now Praise the Lord (Concordia Publishing House, 97-6096, full score with reproducible choral parts).

RINGERS: If you are interested in playing in the ACM Handbell Choir for this festival, please contact Mark Bloedow, mbloedow@gslcwi.com. Rehearsals will be held on the same dates above: January 14 & 21 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm.

The schedule for the festival on Sunday, January 28 is as follows:

- 1:00-2:30pm Mass Rehearsal with festival choir & bells with Dr. Behnke
- 2:30-3:00pm Individual group or solo rehearsal
- 3:00-3:30pm Regrouping, guest arrival/seating
- 3:30-4:45pm Hymn Festival
- 4:45-5:45pm ACM reception for Dr. Behnke, participants and guests

Please take a moment now to send Mark Bloedow (mbloedow@gslcwi.com) an e-mail if you are interested in participating so you can be put on the e-list for festival updates.

Thank you! We look forward to seeing you and working with Dr. Behnke!

Positions Available and other news

Remember to check our web-site for more information and previous listings: www.madisonacm.org

Contemporary Music Director: part-time position open at Calvary Lutheran Chapel, 701 State Street, Madison, to lead the praise team for contemporary worship service. Call 608.255.7214 or e-mail clc@chorus.net.

For Sale: Antique oak pump organ, 50" long, 24" wide, 52" high. Asking price is \$100.00. Contact Holly Brassington at 608.233.1804.

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Enjoy a Spring Ring on St. Pat's Day!

Madison Area Concert Handbells is sponsoring a Festival for massed choirs on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at the west campus of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Madison. Entitled "Spring Ring," this day-long event will allow up to 12 handbell choirs to meet together for camaraderie and enrichment of skills while putting the finishing touches on six pieces during the morning rehearsals. After a catered lunch, individual choirs can rehearse if they've chosen to ring a solo piece. Other activities are planned for those not rehearsing. There will be a final review of the massed choir pieces, and a 3:00pm concert (free-will offering) presenting the massed choir and solo pieces. A limited number of individual ringers can participate if their choir can't attend.

The massed pieces are for 3-5 octaves. You may prepare any or all of them: Fanfare on O Worship the King, arr. Sandra Eithun, AGEHR; I Will Arise and Go to Jesus, arr. Dan R. Edwards, Choristers Guild; When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, arr. Raney/Sherman, Agape; The Old Ship of Zion, arr. Page, Alfred; Psalm 17 (Keep Me as the Apple of Thy Eye), arr. Thompson, Chor. Guild; When In Our Music God is Glorified, arr. Morris, Alfred.

It's not often that handbell enthusiasts get to meet, rehearse, and perform in such a large choir. Please let us know if you wish to be part of this fun event. Register by December 1 and pay just \$18 per registrant. After that, the cost will be \$20 per registrant. The price includes lunch. The deadline for registration is February 1, 2007. Please see the handbell choir's website for further details: www.madisonhandbells.org.

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Upcoming Music Events

Friday, November 3, 7:00pm, An Evening of Taize Prayer, Queen of the Rosary Chapel at Sinsinawa Mound.

For more information, see www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter or call Diane Kieler at 608.748-4411, ext. 804.

Sunday, November 5, 9:15 and 10:45am services, Requiem by John Rutter, Bethel Lutheran Church, Madison, with the Bethel Choir and Orchestra, Gary Lewis, conductor. For more information, call 608.257.3577.

Sunday, November 5, 4:30pm, All Saints' Evening Prayer, Luther Memorial Church, Madison. The parish choirs and bell choir will lead the congregation in the singing of the Lutheran Book of Worship service for vespers. All are welcome. See the church's website at www.luthermem.org for more information.

Tuesday, November 7, 7:00pm, a new children's musical "Medicine for Wildcat" will be presented at St. Rose of Lima Church, Cuba City, WI. Free admission. For more information, call the St. Rose School at 608.744.2120.

Sunday, November 19, 4:00pm, ACM Members Recital, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Monona.

See page one of this newsletter for more information or go to the ACM website: www.madisonacm.org.

Sunday, November 26, 3:00pm, the 15th Annual Messiah Concert, with orchestra and soloists, will be held at the Queen of the Rosary Chapel, Sinsinawa Mound, conducted by Paul Torkelson. Music will be provided for those wishing to sing. For more information, see www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter or call 608.748-4411.

Wednesdays, December 6, 13, 20, Advent Organ Recitals, (12:15-12:45pm), Free Soup Luncheons (11:30am), Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 Raymond Rd., Madison, e-mail gs.music@hotmail.com for more info.

Saturday-Sunday, December 9-10, 7:00pm, For Unto Us, joint Christmas Concert with choirs and handbell choirs from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. \$5.00 suggested donation. 12/9 at St. Stephen's, 5700 Pheasant Dr., Monona; 12/10 at Good Shepherd, 5701 Raymond Rd., Madison.

Sunday, December 17, 4:00pm, Lessons & Carols with the Madison Diocesan Choir, Bishop O'Connor Center. No admission fee, but bring a non-perishable food item. More information, call Patrick Gorman, 608.821.3081.

Saturday, January 6, 7:30pm, Lessons & Carols with the Madison Diocesan Choir at St. Peter Catholic Church, Madison. A free-will offering will be collected. For more information, contact Patrick Gorman at 608.821.3081.