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PLEASE NOTE:

NOVEMBER'S EVENT & DINNER

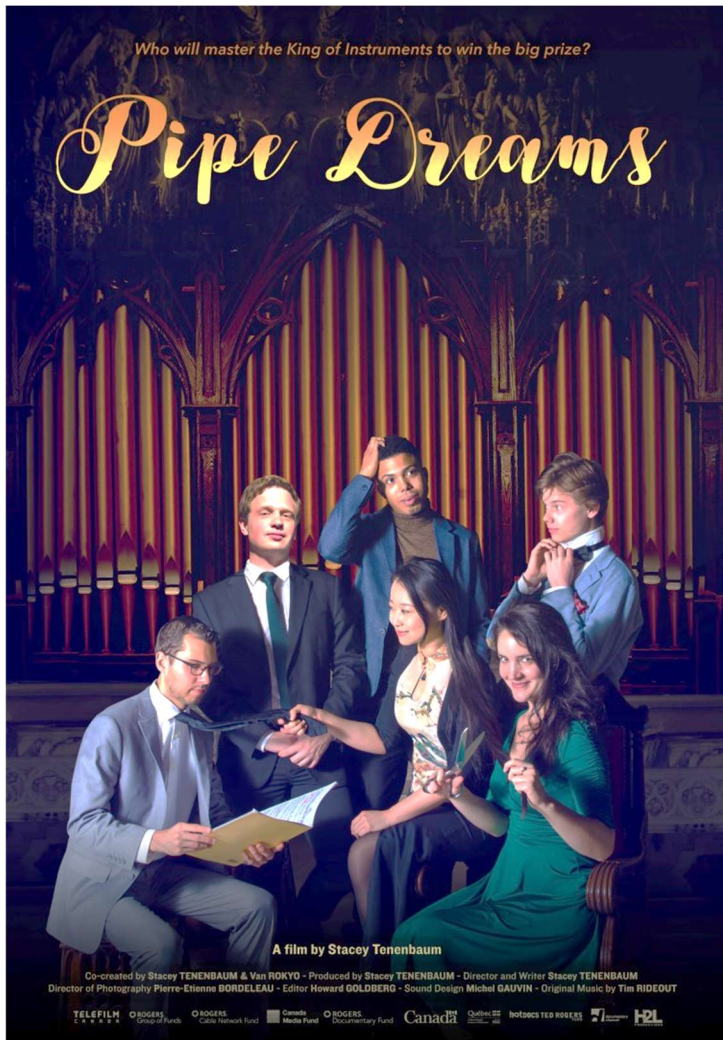
CANCELLED

Check out SubDean Cathy Cassy's article on page 4 explaining why the November event has been cancelled.

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THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKET TO THIS WONDERFUL MOVIE.

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<https://tickets.demand.film/event/8255?ref=ERbdJmpz>

The Movie has been confirmed and booked. Tickets still available.

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GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

Monday, November 4, 2019 – 6:30pm

AMC Esquire 7 (in Richmond Heights)

6706 Clayton Road

INVITE your friends/family/piano/organ students to see this exciting movie! Tickets cost: \$13.76/ea



If you missed the September Hymn Festival or meeting about Dr. Paul Manz, here are some pictures of what you missed. Thanks once again to Dr. Scott Hyslop, David Erwin, Mark Lawson of Morning Star Music Publishing and Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church for hosting, sponsoring, leading, and thanks to all the choirs and instrumentalists for participating in a wonderful event. (Photos courtesy of Rene Zajner)



Sub-Dean's Corner: CATHY CASSY



Dear Members:

PLEASE NOTE: Our November 15th recital and meeting are cancelled due to an unexpected school conflict for our Quimby/RCYO Local competition winner. There will be NO meeting nor dinner that evening.

Our next scheduled event is on January 3, 2020 – the Post-Christmas Get-Together at the residence of Dr. Steven Ball which is located at 2632 Iowa Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Look for a little more information on page 15 of this issue.

PLEASE DO NOT forget to register for the February Flourish Church Music Conference which will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020. Cost of the event is \$30.00/Students cost is \$15.00. Be on the look out for the official brochure arriving in your mailbox sometime this month and you will also be able to register online at www.agostlouis.org soon.

If you haven't been online lately – check out our website (www.agostlouis.org) or check out our Face Book page.

The year is moving quickly. I wish you joyous, music-filled concerts, services and the best experiences the approaching holiday seasons have for you. We will look forward to “destressing” together on January 3rd.

Cathy Cassy, SubDean

St. Louis AGO Chapter



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Episodes in November:

Nov 3 London
 Nov 10 Lemare
 Nov 17 Living Large
 Nov 24 Ladies Night

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 S. William Aitken *Organist & Director of Music Emeritus*



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Sunday, October 13 at 5:00 p.m.

A service of scripture, prayer, and music in the evening.

Canticles: *Noble* in B minor • Anthem: Hail gladdening light *Wood*

Concert: Duruflé Requiem

Sunday, October 27 at 4:00 p.m.

The St. Peter's Choir with orchestra. Free.

Choral Evensong

Sunday, November 10 at 5:00 p.m.

Canticles: Short Service *Gibbons* • Anthem: Great Lord of Lords *Gibbons*

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COMMUNITY CONCERT CALENDAR

2019-2020

NOV 1	Friday Pipes Recital Series 12:30pm – Kirsten Santos Rutschman Third Baptist Church 620 N. Grand Blvd – St. Louis
NOV 1	French Friday Series 11:15am – Dr. Rose Whitmaore First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood 100 E. Adams Ave - Kirkwood
NOV 3	Gateway Ringers Handbell Concert 4:00pm - American Spirit Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 327 Woods Mill Road - Ballwin
NOV 3	Solemn Evensong 4:00pm Church of St. Michael and St. George 6345 Wydown Blvd – St. Louis
NOV 4	Pipedreams Movie 6:30pm AMC 7 Esquire Movie Theatre 6706 Clayton Road – Richmond Heights
NOV 7	Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:30pm Christ Church Cathedral 1210 Locust Street – Downtown St. Louis
NOV 8	Friday Pipes Recital Series 12:30pm – Brent Johnson Third Baptist Church 620 N. Grand Blvd – St. Louis
NOV 8	Bach Plus 7:00pm – Dennis Bergin Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church 1230 Big Bend Road – Twin Oaks
NOV 10	Woman’s HOPE Chorale 3:00pm First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood 100 E. Adams Ave - Kirkwood

NOVEMBER

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NOV 10	Clarinet Recital 3:30pm – Katsuya Yuasa Peace Lutheran Church 737 Barracksview Road – St. Louis
NOV 10	Choral Evensong 5:00pm St. Peter’s Episcopal Church 110 N. Warson Road – St. Louis
NOV 14	Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:30pm Christ Church Cathedral 1210 Locust Street – Downtown St. Louis
NOV 17	American Kantorei Concert 3:00pm St. Paul’s Lutheran Church 12345 Manchester Road – Des Peres
NOV 17	Franck und Stein 3:00pm Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church 9450 Clayton Road – St. Louis
NOV 17	Couts Music Series 4:00pm – Fall Concert Second Presbyterian Church 4501 Westminster Place – St. Louis
NOV 17	Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:30pm Christ Church Cathedral 1210 Locust Street – Downtown St. Louis
NOV 24	Stonehenge Brass Quintet 10:30am Worship Service Webster Groves Presbyterian Church 45 West Lockwood Ave – Webster Groves





Con Spirito

2019-2020 Season
CONCERT SERIES

Twentieth Anniversary Season

2019

Oct. 20 Sunday @ 3:00

**Hymn Festival:
Let All the Earth Rejoice**
Aaron David Miller,
leader and organist



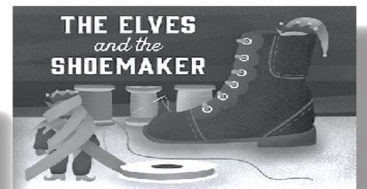
Nov. 10 Sunday @ 3:00

Women's HOPE Chorale
of St. Louis: *Illumination*



Dec. 8 Sunday @ 2:00

Imaginary Theatre Company:
The Elves & The Shoemaker



Dec. 15 Sunday @ 4:00

Chancel Choir & Orchestra
Christmas Concert



2020

French Friday Organ Series

Check for recital dates



Jan. 26 Sunday @ 3:00

Equinox Chamber
Players

April 19 Sunday @ 3:00

Jupiter String
Quartet

May 4 Monday @ 7:00
Annual Organ Dedication
Anniversary Recital
Bill Stein and Travis Evans



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Olivier Latry Organ Concert and Conferences at the University of Kansas: November 8, 9, & 10

The University of Kansas, School of Music, Division of Organ and Church Music is delighted to announce the first in a series of conferences on French organ music. Our initial conference in this series is entitled:

Le Grand Siecle:

Organ Music and Culture in 17th and 18th Century France

These conferences will be centered around the teaching of Olivier Latry, the *new* William T. Kemper Artist-in-Residence at the University of Kansas, in conjunction with lectures and performances by resident and guest conference faculty. This conference will occur on November 8th and 9th 2019. Olivier Latry will present a lecture on the French Classic organ as well as master classes covering all of the major genres and composers of French classic organ music. To learn more about this event and register for the conference, please go to: www.music.ku.edu/Latry

RECITAL:

Sunday, November 10, 2019, 7:00pm

Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral

415 W. 13th Street Kansas City

This will be a benefit recital for those workers who lost their jobs as a result of the fire at Notre Dame Cathedral this past spring. Olivier Latry will perform works by Boely, Franck, Vierne, Gigout, Bach, Mozart, Guillon and Liszt, along with a closing improvisation. Tickets are: \$30 (general public), \$15 for senior citizens (60 and above), and \$10 for students. Tickets are available at www.chambermusic.org/specialperformances10-20.html as well as at the door.



SAVE THE DATE

February 8, 2020

8:00am-4:00pm

REGISTRATION BEGINS SOON

Be on the lookout for the
official brochure.

(Online registration will

begin in November – be on the lookout for it.)

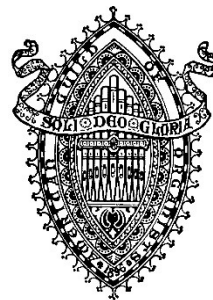


Our February Flourish event will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 8am-4pm at both First Presbyterian Church and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Ferguson. This exciting day will be filled with lots of workshops being offered on topics such as: organ technique, technology, choral and handbell sessions, improvisation, registration, hymn reharmonization, exploring new publications and many more.

This is a great opportunity to network with other colleagues and an NPM track will also be offered of particular interest to Roman Catholic musicians.

Our keynote speaker for the day will be Dr. Jim Henry of UMSL and the Ambassadors of Harmony. Other presenters will include: Dr. Karen Black (AGO Regional Councilor), David Sinden (St. Peter's Episcopal Church), Kevin Uppercue (MorningStar/ECS Publishing) and more.

Cost for the days event is \$30/person; Student rate is \$15/person (age 23 and below) which includes the program for the day, lunch and snacks.

This event is sponsored by:

Dean's Corner:

BURNELL HACKMAN



Dear Fellow Musicians:

And We're OFF!!!

These next two months can prove to be the busiest time in the church musician's life. Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas all involve extra music – which means intense rehearsals both for your ensembles and you. That added to the pressure of everyday life with a family can be a little overwhelming!

Sometimes we feel “will December 26th ever get here?” As we look forward to another holiday season just remember how our music helps others. Through our music we spiritually lift others to the joys of the holiday season. But while you're making beautiful music, do not forget to take advantage of attending concerts presented by various groups. It is so nice to sit and listen to music provided by others – it can give us that much needed boost!

May God bless you and your music making this Holiday Season.

Burnell L. Hackman, Dean

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Episodes in *December*:

- 1 Advent I
- 8 Advent II
- 15 Advent III
- 22 Advent IV
- 29 New Releases and Christmas Favorites

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To help in this effort, a special CD is being offered in exchange for supporting it, and a gift-for-a-gift. (Suggested donation being \$20/each). This CD contains pdf files of the scores for 32 brand new pieces for organ written with the sound of this instrument in mind, along with computer generated mp3 audio clips for these same pieces and doc files having suggestions for performance of each piece.

If you would like to donate and receive the CD, it is being made available upon request from either the front office of the Scottish Rite Cathedral or contacting the current organist, Dr. Steven Monrotus at the address below:

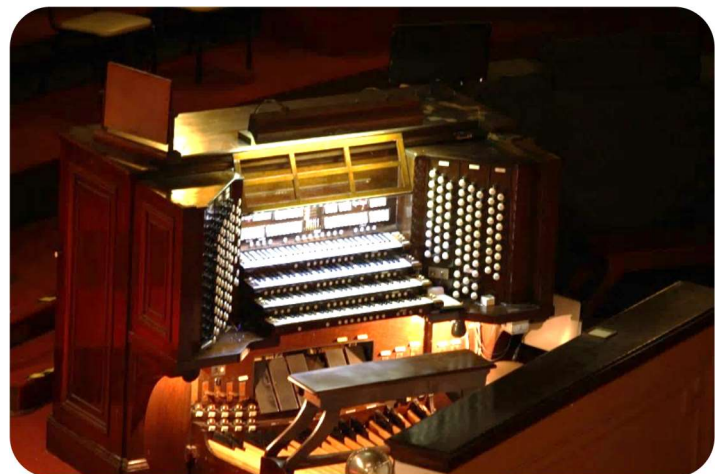
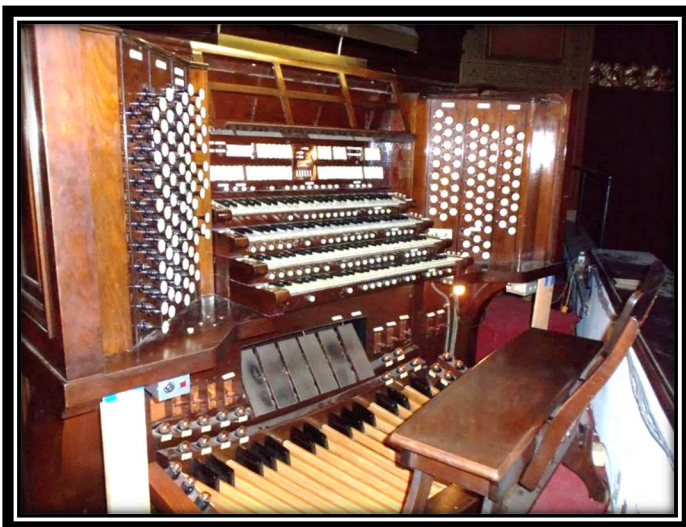
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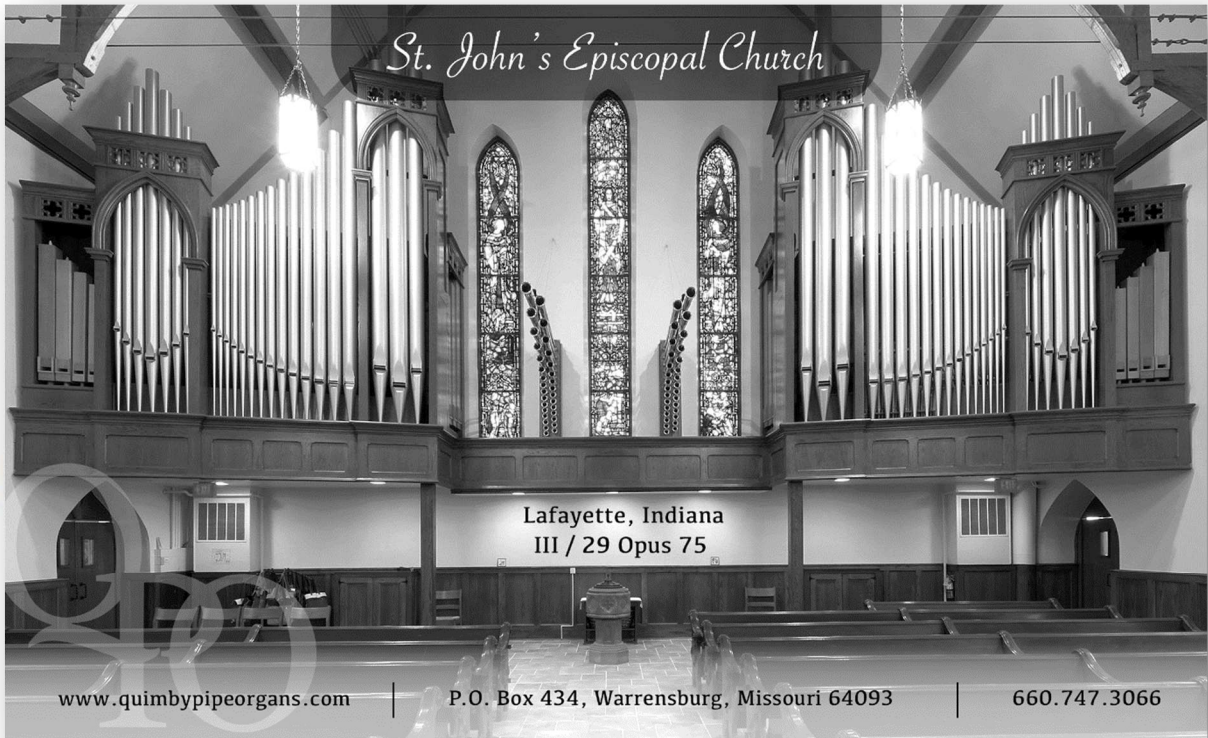
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Details of the CD are posted at: www.OrganBench.com





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OUR NEXT CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 – 10AM AT GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH, LOCATED AT 3600 HAMPTON AVE. – ST. LOUIS. THE SUBJECT OF THE WORKSHOP WILL BE ON REPERTOIRE. JUST A REMINDER THAT THERE WILL BE **NO** WORKSHOP HELD IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, BUT WILL RESUME IN JANUARY 2020.



DECEMBER

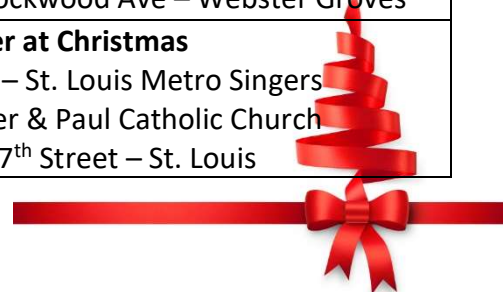
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COMMUNITY CONCERT
CALENDAR

2019-2020



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DEC 1	Metropolitan Orchestra Concert 7:00pm First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood 100 E. Adams – Kirkwood	DEC 8	Together at Christmas 4:00pm – St. Louis Metro Singers St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church 3140 Meramec St – St. Louis
DEC 1	Together at Christmas 7:00pm – St. Louis Metro Singers Southwest Baptist Church 6401 Scanion Ave – St. Louis	DEC 12	Lunchtime Organ Recitals 12:30pm Christ Church Cathedral 1210 Locust St – Downtown St. Louis
DEC 5	Lunchtime Organ Recitals 12:30pm Christ Church Cathedral 1210 Locust St – Downtown St. Louis	DEC 13	ReBillion Handbell Ensemble 7:00pm Historic Trinity Lutheran Church 812 Soulard St – St. Louis
DEC 7	Music for the Time of Christmas 5:00pm St. Paul’s Lutheran Church 12345 Manchester Road – Des Peres	DEC 14	Together at Christmas 7:30pm – St. Louis Metro Singers St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church 9740 Sappington Rd – St. Louis
DEC 7	Together at Christmas 7:00pm – St. Louis Metro Singers St. Paul United Church of Christ 127 St. Paul Street – Columbia, ILL	DEC 15	Festival of Lessons & Carols 10:30am Worship Service Webster Groves Presbyterian Church 45 W. Lockwood Ave – Webster Groves
DEC 8	The Elves & The Shoemaker 2:00pm – Imaginary Theatre Company First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood 100 E. Adams - Kirkwood	DEC 15	Together at Christmas 4:00pm – St. Louis Metro Singers Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church 1919 S. 7 th Street – St. Louis



 <p>DEC 15</p>	<p>Christmas Concert 4:00pm First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood 100 E. Adams - Kirkwood</p>	 <p>DEC 15</p>	<p>Lessons & Carols/Organ Recital 4:30pm Church of St. Michael and St. George 6345 Wydown Blvd – St. Louis</p>
 <p>DEC 19</p>	<p>Lunchtime Organ Recitals 12:30pm Christ Church Cathedral 1210 Locust St. – Downtown St. Louis</p>	 <p>DEC 20</p>	<p>Christmas at Peace 7:15pm Peach Lutheran Church 737 Barracksview Road – St. Louis</p>



...at the residence of Dr. Steven Ball on Friday, January 3, 2020 beginning at 7pm. Please bring a dish or two to share and a beverage or two to share as well.

More details will be coming in the January issue of the OPUS.

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