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**THE ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH CONCERT SERIES** will present organist Christopher Houlihan in concert on Sunday, November 19 at 4:00 p.m. Free tickets are required for admission and can be ordered by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: November Concert, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 30 W. Chestnut St., Hanover, PA 17331. A free-will offering will be taken to assist with the concert costs. Please note the number of tickets desired. The doors open at 3:30 p.m. A reception will follow the program.

The St. Matthew Lutheran Church Austin organ is one of the 10 largest pipe organs in the world with 14,470 pipes, 238 stops and 335 drawknobs. A full stop list and description of the organ can be found on the church website- stmatlutheran.org.

The October 22 concert with Elizabeth and Raymond Chenault Organ Duo had to be rescheduled due to an obligation the Chenaults have at with their church position. They will be rescheduled in the future.

Christopher Houlihan's concert will include: Vierne's Carillon de Westminster, Bach's Passacaglia in c minor, Debussy's Andantino from String Quartet Opus 10, Vierne's Toccata, March Heroique by Brewer and Durufle's Suite, Opus 5.

Christopher Houlihan is widely acknowledged as one of the brightest stars in the new generation of organists, praised by the media as "gifted" (New York Times), "dazzling" (Wall Street Journal), and "eloquent" (Los Angeles Times). He has established an international

reputation for his artistry with performances in celebrated venues in major cities across North America and Europe. Houlihan has released a number of recordings.

Highlights from the 2016-2017 season included recitals in San Francisco's Grace Cathedral, and the closing concert for the American Guild of Organists Regional Convention in Jacksonville, Florida. He will be a featured recitalist at the AGO's July 2018 national convention in Kansas City.

Houlihan studied with Grammy Award-winning organist Paul Jacobs at The Juilliard School, where he earned a master's degree, with John Rose at Trinity College (Hartford), and Jean-Baptiste Robin at the French National Regional Conservatory in Versailles. In 2015, he was selected for The Diapason's "20 Under 30", a distinguished list of leaders in the organ world under the age of 30. In Spring 2017, Christopher Houlihan was appointed the John Rose College Organist-and-Directorship Distinguished Chair of Chapel Music at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut.

Christopher Houlihan is represented in North America exclusively by Phillip Truckenbrod Concert Artists, LLC. More information is found at **ChristopherHoulihan.com**.



### **DEAN' S LETTER**

Last year, I was asked if I would like to play a Noontime organ recital at the Camp Hill Presbyterian Church in the Fall of 2017. The church has a monthly Noontime organ recital series which features members of the Harrisburg AGO Chapter of which I am a dual member. Prior to the half-hour recital, the church hosts a light luncheon in their Fellowship Hall.

I rehearse every Tuesday evening with the Harrisburg Choral Society during the Fall and Spring season at Camp Hill Presbyterian and often I see Dan Dorty their organist since we rehearse in their choir room.

Little did I realize after accepting last year's invitation that this year, I would be

without my church pipe organ! Because of our building renovations at St. Paul's, our organ has been silent since July. Furthermore, it will not be until late February or early March of next year before our new organ console and additions will be installed. The organ will have been silent for almost nine months.

Fortunately, I have been able to practice at home since I have a 2½ rank pipe organ in my living room. While being limited in size, it sure makes it easy to practice whenever I want.

In addition, I have been going to Camp Hill early for the past few Tuesdays to practice their organ for several hours prior to my choir rehearsal. I have been able to register my pieces and familiarize myself with their 3 manual Schantz organ of about 40 ranks. - Victor Fields



### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church in York, PA, is seeking a PT Music Director.** This is a quarter-time position with weekly rehearsals, Sunday worship, and seasonal special services. In addition to playing the Möller pipe organ and piano for worship services, the Music Director will direct the adult vocal choir and hand bell choir. Current background clearances required. Please send résumés to: pastorschlegel@live.com or St. Peter's Lutheran Church 947 N. George St. York, PA 17404. For more information call (717) 495-8894. Posted 7-1-17





### Tax Seminar for Musicians

### November 12

Do you know any organist that is required to file a tax return each year? Do you know any organist that likes to eat? If

either or both of the above apply to you, join us on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at the Old Country Buffet, 905 Loucks Rd, York, PA from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. Ron Calhoun will be covering income and expense tax rules of church musicians and teachers. Including in the discussion will be the proper recording and allocating of mileage that applies to organist. Old Country Buffet will cover your food needs at a nominal price.

The following people will benefit from the meeting:

Organists that play every week (also assistant organist)

Organ teachers (also piano teachers)

Music teachers (part or full time, public school or college)

Supply organist

Organists have a unique situation because they are normally considered employees of the church and at the same time are considered independent contractors for weddings and funerals. This requires an allocation of expenses that is reported on both form 2106 and Schedule C. You will learn the proper allocation techniques necessary to pass a tax audit.

Ron Calhoun is the organist and choir director of Christ Lutheran Church in Loganville, PA. In addition, he is retired from ITT in the Harrisburg Communications Division where for years, he worked as the Tax Manager. In addition, he retired as the Tax Supervisor at McCrory Stores in York. He also has experience as a teacher at a local college where he taught tax accounting and operated his own tax accounting firm, R. Calhoun & Associates, Inc.

It is true that your tax returns have been greatly simplified. Here are the recent basic instructions on completing a form 1040EZ:

### Zeile 1 Wie viel hast du letztes Jahr verdient?

Zeile 2 Schick es in!

#### BUS TRIP- HANDEL'S MESSIAH SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

Enjoy the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's presentation of Handel's Messiah at The Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. Conducted by Edward Polochick, this has been performed annually since 1982.

The bus will depart the parking lot of Advent promptly at 5:30 p.m. Cost per person is \$60.00 which will include your ticket for the concert and a seat on the bus with gratuities. We anticipate returning to Advent by 11:30 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy this classic musical masterpiece!

REGISTRATION - HANDEL'S MESSIAH BUS TRIP SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 NAME(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_\_ # ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_\_ In case of emergency contact

(name) (phone)

Please make your check for **\$60.00 per person payable to ADVENT LUTHERAN**. Be sure to note MESSI-AH on your check memo. Return your payment and registration form in an envelope marked MESSIAH BUS TRIP to the church office or drop the envelope in the offering plate. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5** 



### Welcome to the York Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

On behalf of the York Chapter, we wish to welcome you. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance. I will soon be mailing our newsletter to bring you up to date on our activities.

I do have some additional questions which are strictly voluntary.

- 1) Are you available to be a substitute organist?
- 2) If so, what restrictions do you have (non-Sundays, wedding/funerals only, etc.)
- 3) Are you currently an organist at a church?
- 4) If so, please list the church and address.
- 5) What type if chapter programs interest you the most?
- 6) Would you be interested in serving on the board?

Please contact me if I can be of any assistance. Ron Calhoun

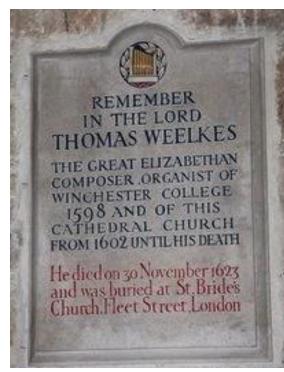


### Supply Musicians Needed.

Hello! St. Peter's, 947 N. George St, York, is looking for supply musicians for the following dates: 11/5, 11/12, 12/24 (5 p.m and 10 pm).

Compensation is \$125 per service.

Please indicate availability by return email to stpeterslutheran@verizon.net.



### Thomas Weelkes: drunkard, urinator, organist

No matter how good you are at your job, you're probably not as good at Thomas Weelkes. Weelkes was an English organist/composer in the late 16th and early 17th century. In 1616 he was reported as "noted and famed for a comon drunckard (sic) and notorious swearer & blasphemer"

Around this time, he was fined for **urinating on the Dean of the cathedral** from the organ loft during Evensong. He was apparently drunk and swearing loudly enough during a service that he was dismissed, but very soon after (!) was reinstated. A report sent to the Bishop says,

"Dyvers tymes & very often come so disguised eyther from the Taverne or Ale house into the quire as is muche to be lamented, for in these humoures he will bothe curse & sweare most dreadfully, & so profane the service of God ... and though he hath bene often tymes admonished ... to refrayne theis humors and reforme hym selfe, yett he daylye continuse the same, & is rather worse than better therein."

Yet he kept his job until he died. It's a new standard of excellence. He literally peed on his boss and showed up to work drunk all the time, and

he never lost his job. How good do you have to be as an organist/composer to behave like that?! I mean how do those meetings go?

The dean says, "Look, he peed on me during the worship service!!!" The senior Warden says, "Yes, but he plays so well. We can overlook it this one time, right?" In any case, I think I need to practice some more.



### Wheatland Choral Events

Sunday, November 12, 2017 - 4pm

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, <u>839 West Market Street, York</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Anniversaries Concert with special guests Bob Chilcott and MainStreet Brass. Free Admission

Monday, November 13, 2017 - 8pm

First Presbyterian Church, <u>140 E. Orange Street, Lancaster</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Anniversaries Concert with special guests Bob Chilcott and MainStreet Brass. Free Admission

Sunday, December 3, 2017 - 4pm St Matthew Lutheran Church, <u>839 West Market Street, York</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Winter Light Holiday Concert. Ticketed event. For ticket information please go to our website <u>www.wheatland.org</u> or <u>BrownPaperTickets.com</u>

Saturday, December 9, 2017 - 8pm

Atonement Lutheran Church, <u>5 Wyomissing Blvd.</u>, <u>Wyomissing</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Winter Light Holiday Concert. Ticketed event. For ticket information please go to our website <u>www.wheatland.org</u> or <u>BrownPaperTickets.com</u>

Sunday, December 10, 2017 - 4pm First Presbyterian Church, <u>140 E. Orange Street, Lancaster</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Winter Light Holiday Concert. Ticketed event. For ticket information please go to our website <u>www.wheatland.org</u> or <u>BrownPaperTickets.com</u>

Sunday, March 18, 2018 - 4pm St. Matthew Lutheran Church, <u>839 West Market Street, York</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Accessible Artistry Concert. Free Admission

Saturday, April 14, 2018 - 4pm

First Presbyterian Church, <u>140 W. Orange Street, Lancaster</u> presents the FPC Chamber Choir Festival featuring the Wheatland Chorale. Free Admission

Friday, April 13, 2018 - 8pm

Atonement Lutheran Church, <u>5 Wyomissing Blvd.</u>, <u>Wyomissing</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Reflections Concert with special guest Ola Gjeilo Ticketed event. For ticket information please go to our website <u>www.wheatland.org</u> or <u>BrownPaperTickets.com</u>

Sunday, April 15, 2018 - 4pm

First Presbyterian Church, <u>140 E Orange Street</u>, <u>Lancaster</u> presents the Wheatland Chorale Reflections Concert with special guest Ola Gjeilo Ticketed event. For ticket information please go to our website <u>www.wheatland.org</u> or <u>BrownPaperTickets.com</u>

## York Chapter American Guild of Organists 2017-2018 Season

### Sunday, November 12, 2017

5:00-7:00pm

Dinner & Meeting, Tax information for the Church Musician, Ron Calhoun, presenter Dinner: OLD COUNTRY BUFFET, 905 Loucks Rd. York, PA 17404

December, no meeting

Saturday, January 13, 2018 8:00am – 4:00 pm January Jumpstart, workshops for the church musician seeking new ideas Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Avenue, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 carpooling from York, Contact: Victor Fields, 717-858-4982, <u>YorkAGODean@aol.com</u>

> Sunday, February 11, 2018 2:00pm Annual Student/Member recital First Presbyterian Church 225 E. Market St., York, PA 17403

> > Sunday, March 11, 2018 2:00pm

Max Reger, The Last Giant, DVD presentation, Part 1 St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 315 N. Constitution Ave. New Freedom, PA 17349 Nelle Bailey, host

> Sunday, April 22, 2018 2:00pm Max Reger, The Last Giant, DVD presentation, Part 2 St. Paul Lutheran Church, 250 Trinity Rd. York, PA 17408 Carol Moscony, host

> Sunday, May 20, 2018 2:00pm Max Reger, The Last Giant, DVD presentation, Part 3 Trinity Lutheran Church, 415 N. West St. York, PA 17404 Carol Downs Brady, host

### Call for new members to join our guild!

Do you know of any organist, assistant organist, choir director, choir member, or anyone who has a love for organ music who is not a member of our guild. Let me know their name and e-mail address or snail mail address. I will be happy to mail a package asking it they want to join. My address is <u>ronald.calhoun101@gmail.com</u>

### It's time to renew your AGO dues.

You will be receiving an e-mail notice concerning your dues. If you do not have an e-mail address, you will receive a billing by mail. If you have any difficulty renewing your dues on-line or by mail, please contact me. <u>ronald.calhoun101@gmail.com</u> or call 717-968-1799.

### **Contributions!**

Did you know that you have the ability to make a local contribution when you renew you membership with the national office. The York Chapter has established the Herzel-Hunt Scholarship fund to entice young area organist to compete in a once a year recital. You may make a contribution this scholarship fund by checking the appropriate box on your on-line renewal. You may include a contribution to the York Chapter at the same time. Renewing on-line can be a one step process with your charitable giving. All contributions in any amount would be greatly appreciated.

### York Chapter, American Guild of Organists Substitute Organists

### Funerals (Monday-Friday)

Wicky Barnes 717-870-4505 wbarnes@ltsg.edu Rodney Barnett 717-244-5020 rbmsmcn@comcast.net Victor Fields 717-858-4982 YorkAGODean@aol.com Richard Frey 717-476-3226 richardefrey@gmail.com Beth Gross 717-767-4518 bgross2925@comcast.net Cheryl Huber 717-840-9707 keyboard7788@comcast.net Christine Kates 717-741-9534 ckates@comcast.net Marie Melusky 717-292-5758 mmelusky@gmail.com Mary Loyer 717-246-9866 Cell: 717-424-8507 Tom Shelley 717-428-3600 padretom@nfdc.net.

### Weddings & Funerals (Saturday & Sunday)

Wicky Barnes 717-870-4505 wbarnes@ltsg.edu Rodney Barnett 717-244-5020 rbmsmcn@comcast.net Victor Fields 717-858-4982 YorkAGODean@aol.com Richard Frey 717-476-3226 richardefrey@gmail.com Cheryl Huber 717-840-9707 keyboard7788@comcast.net Christine Kates 717-741-9534 ckates@comcast.net Marie Melusky 717-292-5758 mmelusky@gmail.com Karl Mincemoyer 717-817-4802 krmincemoyer@comcast.net *Saturday funerals only* 

Mary Loyer 717-246-9866 Cell: 717-424-8507 Saturday only Tom Shelley 717-428-3600 padretom@nfdc.net. Saturday only

#### Sunday Services (Liturgical and non-liturgical)

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#### Saturday Catholic Mass

Wicky Barnes 717-870-4505 wbarnes@ltsg.edu Victor Fields 717-858-4982 YorkAGODean@aol.com

1929 Cunningham player piano available to a good home. Contact: Ed Briercheck at <u>ebriercheck972@comcast.net</u>

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### American Guild of Organists - York Chapter Financial Report For Period July 1, 2017 through August 31,

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Income

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#### **Operating Expenses**

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Bank Service Fees	6.00
Contributions	100.00
Convention Expenses	500.00
Dues for Honor Members	111.00
Newsletter Costs	300.00
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Total Operating Expenses	1,017.00
Net income (loss)	-333.51

### Cash Balances and Funds due from Headquarters

As of August 31, 2017

Total Current Assets	13,905.08
Dues Receivable -AGO	327.00
Herzel-Hunt Scholarship Fund	6,598.36
Cash - General Cash - Savings	2,361.77 4,617.95



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