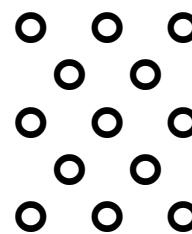


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December Chapter Event 8th Annual Pipe Organ Tour

Saturday, December 7, 12:30–4:00 P.M.

Beginning at

**University Park United Methodist Church
2180 S. University Ave., Denver 80210**

Join Historic Denver, Inc. and the American Guild of Organists for a Saturday afternoon stroll full of architecture, history and beautiful organ music. This year the Organ Tour will visit University Park and the University of Denver. Our tour will begin at University Park UMC, then we will visit Hamilton Hall at the Lamont School of Music, the Evans Chapel and the Williams Carillon. At each site you will hear about the history and architecture of the building, the history of the organ and carillon and a selection of live music.



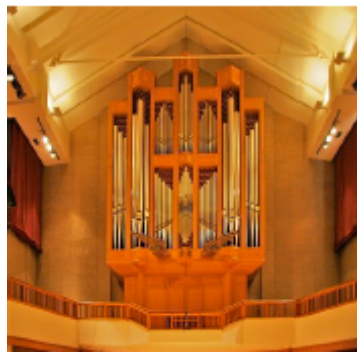
Tickets are only \$20/member and \$25/non-member for this afternoon. AGO members can reserve at the member rate through this link: <https://historicdenver.z2systems.com/np/clients/historicdenver/event.jsp?event=5387&>



Use the Coupon Code APO2019 and receive \$5 off the listed ticket price. Tickets will be available at University Park Church on the day of the tour as well.

The tour begins at University Park United Methodist Church, 2180 S. University Blvd., Denver, CO 80210. Parking is available at the

church and on the streets around the neighborhood. Pay parking is available at the Newman Center for the Performing Arts. Since all the events following the church visit are across the street at DU, the whole event is walkable.



Come to enjoy one Schuke organ, two Reuter organs, one Royal Eijsbouts carillon, and the buildings that house them.



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Dean's Mixture

Our Chapter nominating process, which is mandated by local and national operating procedures, is one of our most important annual functions. The Nominating Committee always works diligently to find the best people to move us forward. This year's committee includes Denise Lanning (director), Cathy Bruno, and Joe Galema. They will be meeting soon to begin the process of finding nominees for Dean, Sub-Dean, and Registrar (two-year terms), as well as three at-large directors (three-year terms). If you are asked to serve, please give it serious consideration. Because the people on the committee can't possibly know everyone in the Chapter, they will also be happy to take recommendations for the offices I listed. Feel free to suggest a colleague or even yourself! If you have a recommendation, contact Denise as soon as possible at deniselanning@netscape.net. The election will take place in the spring and conclude at our annual meeting, May 19.

David Vogels, CAGO

Gabriele Korndorfer, RIP

Gabriele Rose Korndorfer, formerly of West Caldwell, New Jersey, died on Friday, November 15 in Aurora, Colorado after a brief illness. She was 87. Mrs. Korndorfer, née Wagner, was born in Lutherstadt Wittenberg, Germany in 1932. She first came to the United States in 1956 on a Fulbright Scholarship to study Economics at the University of Washington, Seattle. On the ship, she met her future husband, Peter Korndorfer, who was also on a Fulbright Scholarship. They married and began their family in Germany before emigrating to the U.S.



While raising a family in New Jersey, she received a Master's degree in Library Science from Rutgers University before embarking on studies in the organ and harpsichord, her true life-long passion. She graduated from

Westminster Choir College with an undergraduate degree in Church Music in 1980. She continued to study under Leonard Raver prior to her acceptance to the Master's degree in Organ Performance at Montclair State College. There, she studied under Jon Gillock and graduated in 1987. For over 35 years, she was Director of Music at a number of churches in New Jersey and an active member of the American Guild of Organists. Retiring and moving to Denver to be closer to her children, she continued to perform in Denver churches as substitute organist well into her eighties. She was an active member of the Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter of the AGO and was placement director for many years.

Gabriele was also an amateur ballroom dance champion, which she embraced at the age of 58 following the sudden death of her husband. She continued to dance and compete well into her 70s. Surviving are her three daughters: Claudia

Sheehan of Nederland, CO; Julia Miller of Greenwood Village, CO; and Johanna of Exeter, UK and four grandchildren: Sarah, Hazel, Tamsin, and Keaton.

The family requests that contributions may be made in her name to the City Strings program at augustanaarts.org/support/.

Coming Next Month

Among interesting events in January 2020 are three connected with the AGO.

Friday, January 17, 7:30 P.M.

Organ Concert by Felix Hell

The virtuosic young German organist presents a wide-ranging recital.

Saturday, January 18, 10:00 A.M.

Workshop/Master Class by Felix Hell

Dr. Hell offers a session especially designed for young and prospective organists. Organ and piano teachers and organ lovers of all ages are welcome.

Saint Andrew United Methodist Church
9203 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch



Friday, January 31, 7:30 P.M.

Organ Concert by Janette Fishell

The renowned organist and chair of the organ department at Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University performs on Saint John's magnificent 1938 Kimball instrument.

Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral
1350 Washington St., Denver



Early Rates for Atlanta

The AGO National Convention in Atlanta, July 6–10, 2020, is offering significant savings for early registration with several deadlines. See the latest issue of *The American Organist* or go to the website.

<https://www.agoatlanta2020.com/registration/>

Handbells Available

Malmark Handbells for sale. 4 octaves [G3-G7] plus C3, D3, E3, F3. Polished and in cases. Well cared for. Price includes 6 metal tabletop music desks, lamps, 2 folding tables. Located at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Park Hill, Denver. \$13,800. Contact: Lydia Morrongiello via email: Lmorrongiello@yahoo.com.

Employment Opportunities

Listings should be sent to Thomas Strickland, temporary director, contact information on page 2.

Interim Music Director, Church of the Ascension (Episcopal), 600 Gilpin St, Denver, CO 80218. Serve as organist and director of one choir for several months. For more information, contact the Rev. Weezie Blanchard at weezie@ascensiondenver.org.

Adult Choir Director. Augustana Lutheran Church, a large ELCA Lutheran church with a thriving music program in Denver Colorado, is seeking a part-time choral director for their adult choir. The position is open January 1, 2020. The Augustana Chancel Choir, an adult volunteer choir with four professional section leaders, has an established reputation of excellence in the Denver community, singing for the majority of worship services throughout their 9 month season and presenting 3-4 concerts in collaboration with Stratus Chamber Orchestra, an in-residence orchestra, throughout the year. The ideal candidate will exhibit excellent proficiency and knowledge in conducting choirs and orchestra in a range of musical styles, be familiar with liturgical worship practices, be effective in interpersonal communication, work well in a team environment, have excellent organizational skills, be creative, and enjoy working with adult singers

of various skills. A Master's degree in Music and three years' experience is preferred.

Time commitment: weekly Wednesday evening rehearsals and Sunday morning worship (August/September-May/June), special worship services and festivals, 3 retreats, 3-4 concerts per season, planning, contracting musicians, some meetings. This position is considered $\frac{3}{8}$ time at 12-15 per week. Compensation is commensurate with experience and professional salary guidelines.

For more information or to apply, please e-mail a cover letter and resume by December 16 to: Dr. Cindy Lindeen-Martin, Minister of Music and Organist at lindeen-martin@augustanadenver.org.

Volunteer Organist, Our Merciful Savior Episcopal Church, 2222 W. 32nd Ave., Denver, CO 80211. Seeking someone to play Sunday services in return for practice time on historic organ; hoping congregation will grow to provide a stipend. Farrand & Votey, 2 manuals, 17 ranks, mechanical action, built 1890, restored 2000. Contact wendymw.ulibbarri@gmail.com 303-458-6137 or 720-308-5376.

Some of the following positions may have been filled. Due to the recent death of the placement director, we have not been able to track these.

Organist, Columbine United Church, 6375 S. Platte Canyon Road, Littleton, CO 80123, <http://columbineunited.church/>. Organist for 8:00 a.m. Sunday service, to play three to four hymns. Pay \$100 per service. Contact Greg Roche gregsroche@gmail.com

Pianist and Organist, Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church, 2000 Ptarmigan Trl., Estes Park, CO, 80517. Sunday worship service at 8:45 A.M., Wednesday choir rehearsal, 4:00–5:15 P.M. Responsibilities: Liturgy, Prelude, Postlude, and Choir Anthem. Yamaha grand piano and Allen organ. Weekly stipend negotiable. View web site: www.smlcestes.org. For more information please contact Bob Rising, 970 577-0243.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church in Monument is looking for an **organist/pianist** for Sunday and Holy Day services. We currently have a small

choir and one Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. Choir practice is on Sunday morning before the service at 9:15 a.m. and most music is traditional, Anglican music. The organ has three manuals plus pedalboard and is an electric Baldwin. Pay is per service played and dependent upon experience. Please send notice of interest and resume to music director Terry at TerryNewton19855@comcast.net.

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, a medium-sized congregation in **Boulder, CO**, is seeking a **Music Director**. The ideal candidate is a creative, flexible, and responsive musician capable of leading the music ministries of the church. Responsibilities include leading worship as the organist and choir director, conducting weekly choir rehearsals, deepening the congregation's appreciation of diverse styles of sacred music, and developing the musical gifts of the congregation. This is a part-time position approx. 15 hrs/wk with responsibilities for two worship services, non-benefited, and includes four weeks of paid vacation per year. Salary range is \$18,000-\$21,000, depending on experience. For full job description and desired qualifications, visit standrewboulder.org. To apply, please email a cover letter and resume to office@standrewboulder.org.

Organist/pianist, Christ on the Mountain Catholic Church, 13922 W. Utah Ave., **Lakewood, Colorado**. 3-manual Rodgers Artist Series organ. Accompany a 35-voice adult choir, Children's Choir and Youth Choir. Sunday schedule: 9:30 a.m. Rehearsal; 10:15 a.m. Mass; 11:30 a.m. Children's Choir rehearsal. Weekly rehearsals on Wednesday evenings. Please contact Ron Seggerman at **303-810-3342** or ron@christonthemountain.org

Worship Accompanist (organ/piano), The Lutheran Church of Hope, Loveland, CO. We're a small congregation that has a simple form of worship (mostly, but not exclusively traditional hymns). Knowledge and familiarity with Christian worship as well as sacred and contemporary Christian music is important. Sunday morning worship service (9:00 a.m.) and occasional special services (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Mid-Week Lent, funerals, etc.). Paid

position. Interested individuals contact Pastor Greg Schram: pastorgreglchaflc@gmail.com or 970-290-2334. Visit our web page: www.lutheranchurchofhopeaflc.com

Calendar

Calendar items should be sent to Benjamin Ehrlich; contact information on page 2.

Tuesday, December 3, 12:15 P.M. Trinity United Methodist Church, 1820 Broadway, Denver. *Advent Organ Recital* by **Barbara Hulac**, Associate Minister of Music and Organist, Montview Boulevard Presbyterian Church, Denver. Works of Kuzma, Balbastre, McDowall, Carter, Thomson, and Karg-Elert.

Wednesday, December 4, 12:10–12:40 P.M. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 9201 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch. *Advent Recital Series*, each concert followed by a soup luncheon in the Gathering Space for \$4. **Fillmore Trio**, two strings and piano.

Friday, December 6, 7:30 P.M. First Congregational Church, UCC, 1500 9th Ave., Longmont. **Ars Nova Singers**, *Northern Lights*. Featuring the double-chorus Renaissance mass *Missa Hodie Christus natus est* by Palestrina, as well as Ars Nova's renowned eclectic mix of holiday repertoire in fresh arrangements. Ars Nova Singers is recognized as a leading interpreter of modern music, and the program will include contemporary works by Stephen Paulus, Philip Stopford, John La Montaine, Michael Elgin, and others. Traditional carols in fresh arrangements will also be performed. Artistic Director Thomas Edward Morgan will conduct.

Saturday, December 7, 2:30 P.M. Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 E. Alameda Ave., Denver. **Colorado Women's Chorale and Colorado Men's Chorale**, *A Time to Wonder – Holiday Family Sing-Along*. It's the time of year for cookies, cocoa, and the best holiday deal for families. Joined again by Kent Jones and the Colorado Saints Chorale, this is one of our most fantastic shows of the year for a bargain price. The annual Holiday Family Sing-Along includes a beautiful choral concert followed by a holiday festival. Ticketed event.

Saturday, December 7, 7:30 P.M. Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral, 1350 Washington St., Denver. **Handel's Messiah**. A Cathedral tradition—Handel's most famous work, *Messiah*, Part I, with conductor Mathieu Lussier, Nadya Hill, soprano, Claire McCahan, mezzo-soprano, Michael Hoffman, tenor, Josh DeVane, baritone, and the Cathedral Choir and Orchestra. Ticketed event.

Saturday, December 7, 7:30 P.M. Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave, Cherry Hills Village. **Colorado Chorale**, *Christmas with the Colorado Chorale*. Ticketed event.

Sunday, December 8, 3:00 P.M. Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, 1530 Logan St, Denver. *Bosetti Sunday Concerts*. **Vittoria Ensemble**, *Et Incarnatus Est*, Byrd's "Mass for Four Voices" and music of the season. Free parking at the Knights of Columbus, 16th and Grant; reception follows.

Sunday, December 8, 3:00 P.M. Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave, Cherry Hills Village. **Colorado Chorale**, see December 7.

Sunday, December 8, 3:00 P.M. Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 601 N. Tejon St., Colorado Springs. **Advent Lessons and Carols**. The adult and children's choirs of Grace and St. Stephen's combine for a traditional service of Lessons and Carols for Advent.

Sunday, December 8, 4:00 P.M. St. Paul Community of Faith, 1600 Grant St., Denver. **Ars Nova Singers**, see December 6.

Sunday, December 8, 6:00 P.M. Calvary Baptist Church, 6500 E. Girard Ave, Denver. The Calvary Choir and Festival Chamber Players, under the direction of **Dr. David Farwig**, will present an Advent Holiday program featuring organist **Denise Lanning** on piano, and **Michelle Mendoza**, soprano. The concert will include narration by Pastor Anne Scalfaro and Evan Hicks. Free and open to all.

Sunday, December 8, 6:00 P.M. St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 2425 Colorado Ave., Boulder. **Community Lessons and Carols**

includes choral singing, congregational singing, lessons from Holy Scripture, and a short meditation on hope. Among the readers of the lessons will be a member of Boulder City Council, University leaders, students, and more. The Nursery will be open and have a Christmas Craft for kids, Kids Club will be offering a bake sale service project. Please visit www.saintaidans.org for more details and information.

Sunday, December 8, 7:30 P.M. Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral, 1350 Washington St., Denver. **Handel's Messiah**, see December 7.

Tuesday, December 10, NOON. Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, 1700 W. 10th Ave., Broomfield. **Brownbag Recital Series: Advent.** Join musicians from the Holy Comforter community for a lunchtime concert featuring organ and handbell music. Bring your lunch to enjoy prior to the concert in Maglaras Hall. Free and open to the public.

Tuesday, December 10, 12:15 P.M. Trinity United Methodist Church, 1820 Broadway, Denver. *Advent Organ Recital* by **Daniel Romero**, Organist, Wellshire Presbyterian Church, Denver. Works of Wyton, Purvis, Hancock, Kloppers, Peeters, Dupré, and Brahms.

Wednesday, December 11, 12:10–12:40 P.M. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 9201 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch. *Advent Recital Series*, each concert followed by a soup luncheon in the Gathering Space for \$4. St. Andrew Sisters, a select women's ensemble sings a short Christmas concert.

Wednesday, December 11, 7:00 P.M. Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, 8545 E. Dry Creek Road, Centennial. **Colorado Caroling Company's White Christmas Show.** Just in time for the holidays, you won't want to miss this talented quartet who will bring to life the music and magic suggested by the classic American film *White Christmas*. You'll enjoy the great music of Irving Berlin and other contemporary holiday favorites as you reminisce and dream of a time, just like the ones we used to know. Part of our Music with a

Mission Concert Series. Free admission, with a "love offering" going to HAAT Force South Metro.

Thursday, December 12, 7:30 P.M. Lone Tree Arts Center, 10075 Commons St., Lone Tree. **Kantorei, Star in the East.** Kantorei celebrates the 10-year anniversary of the release of our popular holiday CD "little tree" by reprising many of the selections on the recording, including its namesake by Eric Whitacre. We'll also remember the late, great American vocal jazz composer and arranger, Phil Mattson with some holiday favorites. Finally, we'll bring the Appalachian Mountains to the Rockies in a delightful suite by Malcolm Dalglish for choir and hammered dulcimer.
<https://kantorei.org/concerts/christmas2019/>

Thursday, December 12, 7:30 P.M. St. John's Episcopal Church, 1419 Pine Street, Boulder. **Ars Nova Singers**, see December 6.

Friday, December 13, 7:30 P.M. Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave, Cherry Hills Village. **Cherry Creek Chorale, A Warm Winter's Night.** Ticketed event.

Friday, December 13, 7:30 P.M. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 9201 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch. **"One Voice" Christmas Concert.** Celebrate the season with an enthralling concert of Christmas music presented by the St. Andrew Adult Choir, Orchestra, and Children's Choir with narration by CPR's Karla Walker. A freewill offering will be taken at the 80-minute concert.

Friday, December 13, 7:30 P.M. Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral, 1350 Washington St., Denver. **Kantorei**, see December 12.

Friday, December 13, 7:30 P.M. St. John's Episcopal Church, 1419 Pine Street, Boulder. **Ars Nova Singers**, see December 6.

Saturday, December 14, 2:00 P.M. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 9201 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch. **"One Voice" Christmas Concert**, see December 13.

Saturday, December 14, 2:30 P.M. Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave,

Cherry Hills Village. **Denver Brass**, *I'll be Home for Christmas*. Ticketed event.

Saturday, December 14, 4:00 P.M. Lakewood United Methodist Church, 1390 Brentwood St., Lakewood. **Columbine Chorale**, *Under the Winter Moon*. Music for winter celebrations in many cultures, directed by Brian Eichenberger. columbinechorale.org

Saturday, December 14, 7:30 P.M. Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave, Cherry Hills Village. **Cherry Creek Chorale**, see December 13.

Saturday, December 14, 7:30 P.M. First Plymouth Congregational Church, 3501 S. Colorado Blvd., Cherry Hills Village. see December 12.

Sunday, December 15, 3:00 P.M. Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, 1530 Logan St, Denver. *Bosetti Sunday Concerts. Annual Lessons and Carols*, **Cathedral Choir** directed by Phil Bordeleau. Free parking at the Knights of Columbus, 16th and Grant; reception follows.

Sunday, December 15, 3:00 P.M. Christ Episcopal Church, 2950 S. University Blvd., Denver. **Kantorei**, see December 12.

Sunday, December 15, 4:00 P.M. St. Paul Community of Faith, 1600 Grant St., Denver. **Columbine Chorale**, see December 14.

Sunday, December 15, 7:00 P.M. First Christian Church, 16 E. Platte Ave., Colorado Springs. **Annual Messiah Sing-Along**, which will include the entire Christmas portion and the *Hallelujah Chorus*, accompanied by chamber choir, strings, organ and harpsichord, directed by Kim Schultz. The program will also feature lovely music for the season sung by the choir, as well as favorite Christmas carols for the audience to sing. You are encouraged to bring your own score, but there will be some available at the door. Free will offering.

Monday, December 16, 7:30 P.M. Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave, Cherry Hills Village. **Canto Deo Chamber and Festival Choirs and Orchestra**, *A Canto Deo Christmas*. Ticketed event.

Tuesday, December 17, 12:15 P.M. Trinity United Methodist Church, 1820 Broadway, Denver. *Advent Organ Recital* by **Norman Sutphin**, Organist, Trinity United Methodist Church, Denver. Works of Edmundson, Langlais, Tchaikovsky, and Reger.

Wednesday, December 18, 12:10–12:40 P.M. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 9201 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch. *Advent Recital Series*, each concert followed by a soup luncheon in the Gathering Space for \$4. Jubilee Handbells, music for Christmas.

Friday, December 20, 7:30 P.M. Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral, 1350 Washington St., Denver. **St. Martin's Chamber Choir**, *The Twelve Days of Christmas: A Narrative of Carols*. This year's concert adds a dramatic, narrative aspect. "The Twelve Days of Christmas"—referring to the length of the Yuletide Season of the Church calendar—is depicted by St. Martin's in twelve scenes, each fashioned around an episode in the Christmas story. Each scene will be preceded by a dramatic or poetic reading, and then musically portrayed by carols, some familiar, some soon-to-be-favorites, and a few sing-along opportunities. <https://www.stmartinchamberchoir.org>

Saturday, December 21, 7:30 P.M. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 9201 S. University Blvd., Highlands Ranch. **Christmas with the Reunited Vocal Ensemble**. Join us for a joyous evening of upbeat and contemporary Christmas Carols sung by this *a cappella* group, followed by a dessert reception. Aaron Copland's *Appalachian Spring* and Debussy's *Sacred and Profane Dances* are highlights. And yes, there's a tango. Two of them, in fact!

Saturday, December 21, 7:30 P.M. First Plymouth Congregational Church, 3501 S. Colorado Blvd., Cherry Hills Village. **St. Martin's Chamber Choir**, see December 20.

Sunday, December 22, 3:00 P.M. Holy Cross Lutheran, 4500 Wadsworth Blvd., Wheat Ridge. **St. Martin's Chamber Choir**, see December 20.

