

THE EN CHAMADE

Newsletter of the American Guild of Organists, Memphis Chapter, March 2025

Mark your calendar for



MARCH 2025, MEMPHIS AGO MEETING

Monday, March 3, 2025

6:00 p.m. Social time

6:30 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Business meeting

7:30 p.m. Program: Patrick Scott discusses concert programming

Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal Church

1720 Peabody Ave., Memphis, TN 38104

AROUND THE CHAPTER

Stephen Karr plays the pedaliter cycle from J. S. Bach's monumental Clavierübung III in celebration of the 340th anniversary of his birth at St. George's Episcopal Church, 2425 S. Germantown Rd., on **Mar. 30, 2025 at 4:30 PM**. Admission is free.

SURVEY for AGO, Memphis Chapter Program Committee

All our Members' feedback is wanted--including yours!! Due Friday, March 7.

If you didn't complete your survey at our February Chapter meeting, or haven't submitted via email yet: check your Feb. 11 emails, find it (subject: Please Respond! Survey for AGO...), complete the survey, and send in.

-- if the Survey is missing in your emails (Feb. 11), I'll forward another one to you: send a request to lyn.joyner@gmail.com –

Needed by Friday, March 7. Thank you!



March 23rd, Sunday 3pm
 A concert of choral music the Calvary Choir will sing in residence at Durham Cathedral, Durham, UK, July 2025. Functioning as the cathedral's choir while there for a week, they will sing daily services of Evensong and a Sunday Choral Eucharist. Repertoire includes music by Herbert Howells, Richard Proulx,

Thomas Weelkes, William Walton, Josef Rheinberger, and J.D. Frizzell under the direction of Kristin Lensch.

More information at: <https://tinyurl.com/mr2374ae>



The Reverend Deacon Nancy Tucker O'Shea died on January 13, 2025. A Missouri native, Deacon Nancy was ordained to the Vocational Diaconate in the Episcopal Diocese of West Missouri in 1985. Soon after, she moved to the Diocese of West Tennessee. From 1985 to 2019, she served as Deacon at St. Mary's Cathedral in Memphis, as Pastoral Assistant at Church of the Holy Communion, and as Supply Clergy at many churches in West Tennessee, including All Saints,

Christ Church, Brownsville, Holy Trinity, and Immanuel, Ripley. Beyond her parish work, Deacon Nancy contributed greatly to the wider diocese, serving on committees and commissions under the leadership of Bishop Alex Dickson, Bishop James Coleman, and Bishop Don Johnson. She was a member of the Bishop Transition Committee when Bishop Phoebe Roaf arrived, and was Diocesan Chaplain of the Daughters of the King. Nancy married Patrick O'Shea on August 10, 1985. She was a member of the American Guild of Organists and served as Chaplain of the Memphis Chapter for several years. She found joy in gardening, reading, playing the organ, bird watching, and solving crosswords. Her Funeral Liturgy was celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral in Memphis with Dr. Dennis Janzer as Organist, Dr. Kristin Lensch as Choirmaster, Bishop Johnson as Homilist, and a Choir composed primarily of Guild members.

JOB LISTING

Balmoral Presbyterian Church
6413 Quince Road
P.O. Box 17309
Memphis, TN 38187
Ph: 901-767-7510

Looking for a Pianist (part time position)

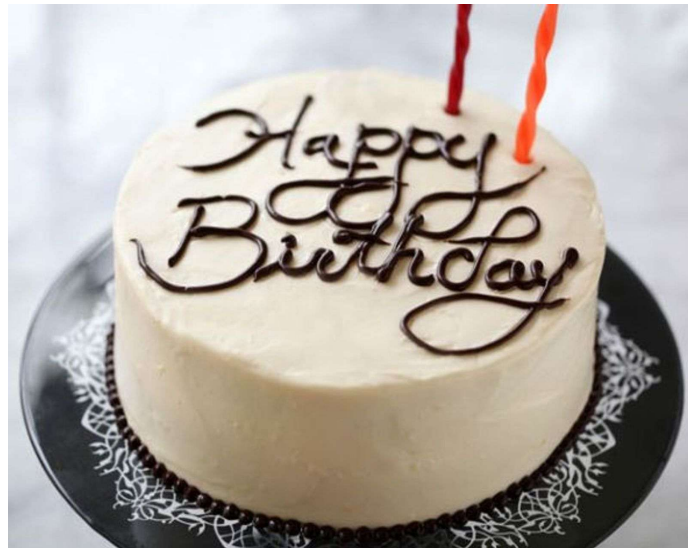
Playing for weekly worship services, accompanying the choir, soloists, and ensembles. Accompanying choir practices. Playing for weddings and funerals and special services.

Contact: Ben Legett, Director of Music Ministries
blegett@gmail.com
(901)428-6447

Many happy returns to our **March** birthday celebrants! *The names included in the birthday list are imported from ONCARD.*

MARCH

- March 1: Angelica Rendek
- March 3: Vernon Snyder
- March 6: Martha Phelps
- March 11: John Michael Pfrommer
- March 16: Ollie Rencher
- March 16: Karen Strawhecker
- March 17: Phil Brown



CALENDAR OF EVENTS, FEB 2025-AUG 2025
 Admission to all events is free and open to all unless otherwise indicated.

What	Where	When	Who
AGO	Grace-St. Luke's	3/3/25 - 6pm	Partick Scott, host
Choral Evensong for the First Sun. of Lent	Holy Communion	3/9/25 – 5:30pm	David Ouzts, organist/director
All Recorders Great and Small	All Saints' Episcopal	3/16/25 – 3pm	Lyn Joyner, host
Evensong	Grace-St. Luke's	3/16/25 – 5:00pm	Partick Scott, host
Evensong	St. John's	3/16/25 – 5:30pm	Vernon Snyder, host
Calvary Choir	St. Mary's	3/23/25 - 3pm	Dennis Janzer, host Kristin Lensch, conductor
Evensong	Calvary	4/6/25 - 5pm	Kristin Lensch, host
Compline	St. John's	4/6/25 – 7:30pm	Vernon Snyder, host
John Dixon, recital	St. John's	4/7/25 - 6pm	Vernon Snyder, host
Choir of St. John's College-Cambridge	Grace-St. Luke's	4/10/25 - 7:30pm	Patrick Scott, host

Holy Week Lessons and Carols	Grace-St. Luke's	4/13/25 – 5pm	Partick Scott, host
Evensong	St. John's	4/15/25 (Tue.) 5:30pm	Vernon Snyder, host
Organ transcriptions Holst "Planets" Mussorgsky "Pictures"	St. Mary's	5/4/25 – 3pm	Richard Townley, organ Dennis Janzer, host
Evensong	Calvary	5/4/25 - 5pm	Kristin Lensch, host
Compline	St. John's	5/4/25 – 7:30pm	Vernon Snyder, host
AGO	All Saints Episcopal	5/5/25 - 6pm	Lyn Joyner, host
Choral Evensong for Eastertide	Holy Communion	5/11/25 – 5:30pm	David Ouzts, organist/director
Evensong	Grace-St. Luke's	5/18/25 - 5:00pm	Partick Scott, host
Evensong	St. John's	5/18/25 - 5:30pm	Vernon Snyder, host
Voice recital	St. Mary's	6/8/25 – 3pm	Jim Cornfoot, piano Patrick Jones, voice
Kick-off to England Evensong	Calvary	7/13/25 - 5pm	Kristin Lensch, host
All Bach concert	St. Louis	7/28/25 - 7pm	Scott Elsholz, host
"Giant of the Baroque"	St. Mary's	8/3/25 – 3pm	Andrew Flory, theorbo



Please note:

The next issue of *En Chamade* will be published at the end of March. A reminder will be sent prior to the March 25 deadline.

Please be aware that I do not email the newsletter to the Chapter Registrar Sondra Tucker does the mailing, has the most up-to-date information from ONCARD, and nothing keeps her from her appointed rounds.

Articles may be sent to me at dward75@comcast.net. Concert announcements will be made two months in advance, minimum. Please also send calendar items to jpalmer901@gmail.com. Additional months may be added as time and space allows. You do not need to resend announcements that are made in advance unless you wish to make changes. ~ Daniel Ward, editor



EXECUTIVE BOARD, 2024-2025

MEMPHIS CHAPTER AGO

Elected Officers

Dean: John Palmer

Sub-Dean: Lyn Joyner

Recording Secretary: Alex Turner

Treasurer: Carl Blankenship

Registrar: Sondra Tucker

Members at Large

Finance: Jackson Hearn

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Smedley

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Mason

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