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## Singing Gregorian Chant Presentation

On Saturday, **October 9**, from 10:00-11:30 a.m., Klaus-Hermann Anschütz will bless our Chapter with a virtual presentation about singing Gregorian Chant. The link to the presentation is: <https://zoom.us/j/99635018857?pwd=R1hLWHJPZmJ0dmg3Y3c1OXZyU3VTZz09>. The security passcode for the meeting is UtZ5pS.

Below is Klaus' biography:

*Klaus-Hermann Anschütz, born in Uelzen in 1959, studied school music for the artistic teaching post at grammar schools, church music (A-exam) at the University of Music and Theater, Hanover, and history at the University of Hanover. He attended numerous master classes with internationally known lecturers. In 1991 he was a prizewinner at the International Spring Academy for Contemporary Organ Music, Kassel. He gave numerous concerts in the Federal Republic of Germany, in the USA and in Russia.*

*From 1989 to 1998 he worked as regional cantor and organ expert for the Diocese of Hildesheim for the Salzgitter and Goslar region. Since 1998 he has been the deanery church musician at the St. Ludwig's Church in Celle, where he repeatedly performs with concerts and choir projects, including his own compositions. At the 2005 World Youth Day in Cologne, Klaus-Hermann Anschütz was the winner of the song "Lamm Gottes" for the songs of the opening service.*

Please join us for this informative session!



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**The Dean's Message**



Dear Columbus AGO,

For the twentieth anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks, the National Geographic Channel has produced a new mini-series entitled "9/11: One Day in America." I've seen a few of the episodes. I've been struck by the courage and bravery of so many who showed kindness and

**Brent Nolte**

compassion to others, even with their own lives at risk, during a time of nearly incomprehensible tragedy.

As you may know, the pipe organ community recently experienced a tragedy as the Dobson Pipe Organ Builders firm lost their entire facility in a fire. The Dobson firm has experienced the kindness and compassion of many people, near and far, during this hardship. They received offers of workspace from fellow business owners in Lake City, Iowa. A GoFundMe campaign has raised more than \$35,000 for the firm and its employees. Retiring organ builder Nelson Barden arranged for the sale of his tools and equipment to Dobson, and numerous people assisted with arrangements and transportation. We look forward to the Dobson firm's return to full strength and operating capacity.

There are many currently dealing with the aftereffects of Hurricane Ida, which landed sixteen years to the date after Hurricane Katrina caused so much destruction. Rescue teams from Ohio have been dispatched to help in the recovery efforts. Damage is not limited to the South, as folks in the Northeastern part of the country have experienced flooding and loss of life as well. Perhaps there are ways in which we, together and individually, can show kindness and compassion to victims of Hurricane Ida.

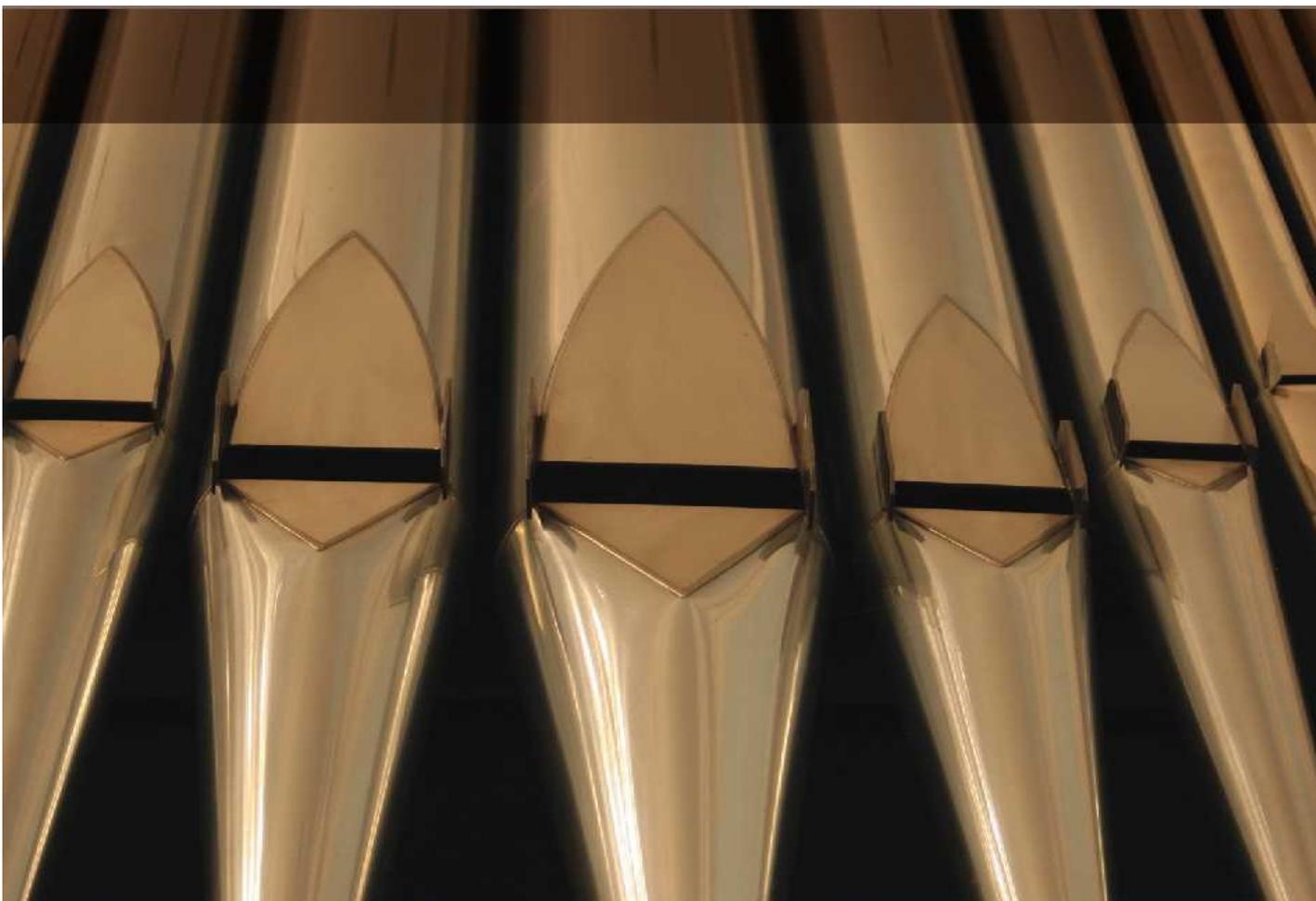
The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic may offer us opportunities to show kindness and compassion to our neighbors both near and far. I hope that our Chapter will be viewed as a helpful resource during this time. Please do let us know if there is any way that we can assist you.

Opportunities to serve our neighbor will always be with us. As an organization, I hope that we are seen as one which welcomes the chance to show kindness, compassion, and service to those in need. And, we don't need to wait for a major catastrophe to do so!

Soli Deo Gloria!

*Brent Nolte*

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## November 13 Organ Crawl

Details are being finalized at this time. Information will be included in the November Guilder. Stay tuned!

### Private Organ Studio List

We would like to update our list of Private Organ Studios which can be found on our Chapter Website at <http://agocolumbus.org/index.php/programs/educational-opportunities>. Please email Chapter Dean Brent Nolte at [bnolte@ohiochristian.edu](mailto:bnolte@ohiochristian.edu) with your updated studio information. Thank you!

### Thanks for the Memories!

Dear Friends,

As many of you have discovered, living through a pandemic has brought opportunities to make decisions about how time and energy are spent, with an emphasis on being close to family. Mike and I have decided to move to Iowa City, IA, to be closer to our older son's family. We have lived in Delaware for 46 years, so saying goodbye to friends and colleagues is tough!

I'd like to thank you for your friendship and encouragement shared so generously for the roughly 40 years I've belonged to our chapter. I have learned so much from you! I am grateful to have been a part of our 2007 regional convention planning committee, as well as our centennial planning committee. Together we were able to provide many opportunities to nurture our members and help others appreciate the organ and those who play it.

I'm especially appreciative of your generous support of educational opportunities for beginning organists. They have benefitted so much from your programming and scholarship support.

I will miss you! I'm moving to an area where AGO programming has diminished greatly in the last five years – with no plans for the coming year on their website. Please enjoy and support our chapter's programming: you are so fortunate to be part of this wonderful community!

Best wishes to all,  
Sally Casto

### Anniversary Celebration

Kettering Seventh Day Adventist Church celebrates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Casavant Pipe Organ on September 25, 2021, during 10:00am worship as well as a 5:00 p.m. concert in the Sanctuary. Virginia and Eugene Kettering donated the land for the church, and subsequently the initial funds for the Casavant Pipe Organ and additional funds in the early 1980s for expansion and renovations of the instrument. Previous Kettering church organists, David Hegarty and Devon Howard, along with Hamilton SDA church organists Martha Jean Hoehn and current organist, Rachel Spry Lammi, will perform. The 5:00 p.m. concert is free and open to the public. More information about the event and current covid precautions can be found at [www.Ketteringadventist.org](http://www.Ketteringadventist.org).



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## Concerts and Other Events

The Columbus Chapter's on-line calendar may be found [here](#).

### **Dr. Jens Korndörfer, Organist**

**Sunday, October 3, 3:00 p.m.**

*St. Joseph Cathedral*

*212 E Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Please follow [this link](#) to listen to Pipedreams from American Public Media.

Korndörfer serves as Director of Music and Organist at First Presbyterian Church and directs the organ program at Georgia State University. Acclaimed as “a virtuoso in the grand Romantic tradition” who creates “performances that are deeply musically satisfying as well as exciting” (The American Organist), he has performed at many prestigious venues around the world. He is a triple prize winner of the Canadian International Organ Competition in 2008 and 2011 and has three CD recordings available.

### **Michael Schreffler, Organist**

**Friday, October 8, 12:30 p.m.**

*St. Joseph Cathedral*

*212 E Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Free lunchtime recital series: Michael Schreffler received organ instruction from Rebecca Borthwick while he was an undergrad at Allegheny College, Meadville, PA, and pursued additional studies with John Walker and Robert Glasgow after college. He presently studies with Richard Fitzgerald and serves as organist and music director at First United Methodist of London, OH. He makes his home in Columbus.



### **James McLaughlin, Organist**

**Sunday, October 10, 3:00 p.m.**

*Central Trinity United Methodist Church*

*62 South Seventh Street, Zanesville 43701*

Jim will present his 24th annual organ recital on the E. M. Skinner pipe organ at Central Trinity UMC, Zanesville. Featured will be Bach's “St. Anne” prelude and fugue. Music for organ and piano, as well as congregational singing, will be included.

### **Lynn Eustis Song Recital**

**Sunday, October 24, 4:00 p.m.**

*First Congregational Church*

*444 East Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Soprano Lynn Eustis is joined by pianist Kevin Jones in a song recital. Music by Schubert, Hahn, Tom Cipullo, Francis Poulenc, and others. Masks required. Social distancing maintained.

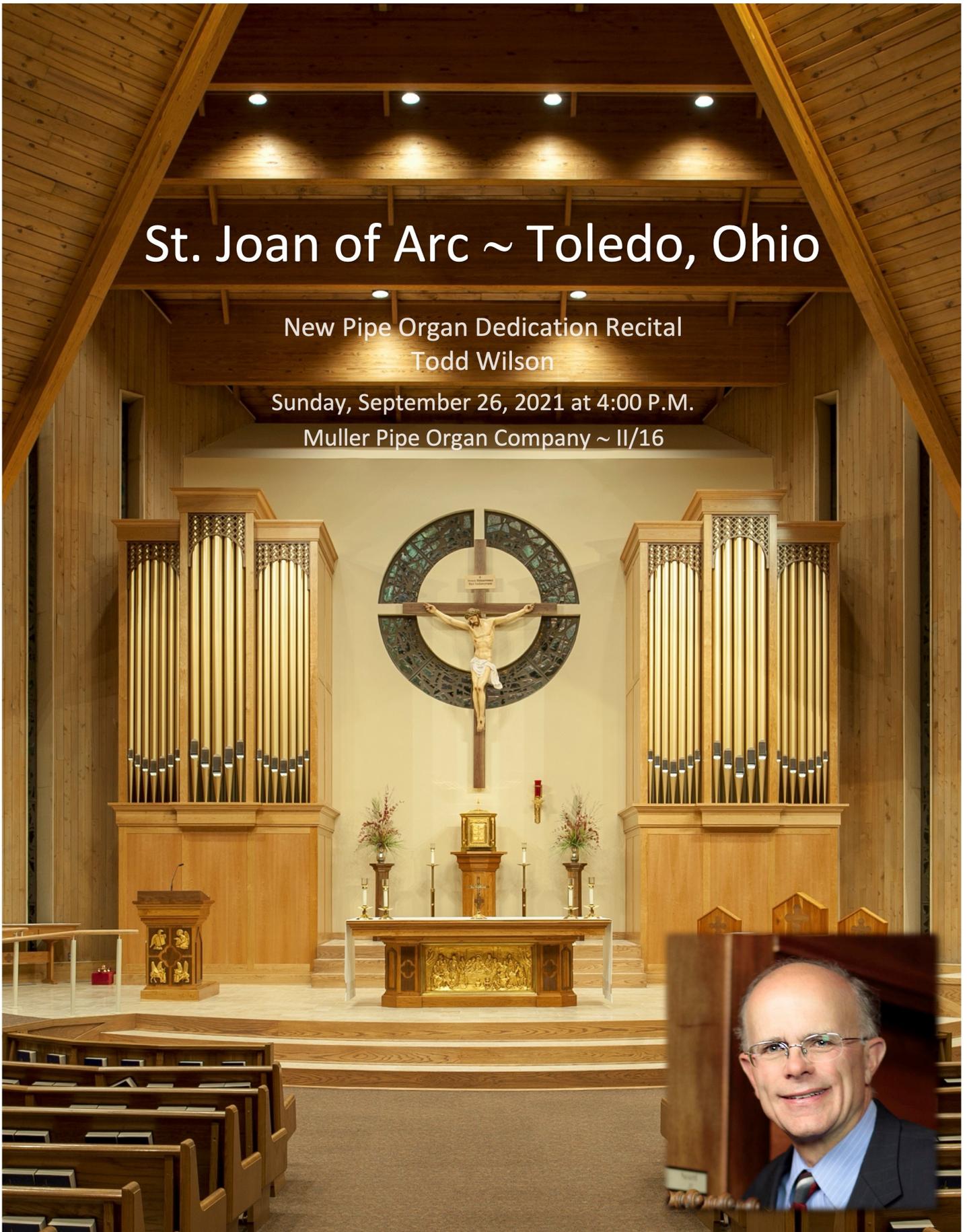
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# St. Joan of Arc ~ Toledo, Ohio

New Pipe Organ Dedication Recital  
Todd Wilson

Sunday, September 26, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

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**The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music.**

To achieve this, we:

- Encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music;
- Inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors;
- Provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support;
- Nurture future generations of organists;
- Promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and
- Engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

## Concerts and Other Events continued

### Choral Evensong

**Sunday, October 17, 4:00 p.m.**

*First Congregational Church*  
444 East Broad Street, Columbus 43215

The First Church Choir sings Choral Evensong with organist Tyler Robertson. Music by Ayleward, Sumsion, and others. Masks required. Social distancing maintained.

### Positions Available

The following positions were posted on the chapter's web site in the last twelve months. Please see <http://www.agocolumbus.org/index.php/forum/positions-available> for fuller descriptions, as well as for positions posted longer than twelve months ago.

- Organist, Trinity Lutheran, Columbus
- Organist or Pianist, First Presbyterian, Newark, OH
- Organist/Pianist, New Lebanon Lutheran Church, Junction City, OH
- Parish Music Director, Immaculate Conception, Columbus
- Contemporary Worship Pianist, St. Paul's, Westerville, OH
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- Accompanist, Worthington Chorus, Worthington, OH
- Music Director, Worthington Chorus, Worthington, OH
- Organist/Pianist, Fellowship Lutheran Church, Columbus
- Director of Music Ministry, St. John's Lutheran Grove City, OH

