



# Lorain County Chapter American Guild of Organists

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## Newsletter for April 2012

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### Chapter News

#### Next LCAGO event—Oberlin recital on May 2

In a break with recent tradition, we will not be having our habitual Oberlin student recital and dinner this year. Instead, we will meet at Oberlin on Wednesday, May 2 at 8:00 to hear a recital by senior organ major Wesley Hall. Mr. Hall's playing has been hailed as "superb" by Oberlin professor James David Christie. He will play music by de-Grigny, Dupré, Messiaen, and Reger.

The recital will be in Finney Chapel. If you are interested in having dinner with colleagues before the recital, please [email the dean](#).

#### Executive Committee meets April 21

Your officers will be meeting on Saturday, April 21, from 1-3 at [First Lutheran Church](#), Lorain. We will be discussing programming for next season, a possible new set of chapter by-laws, and other topics. Any LCAGO member is welcome to join us.

#### LCAGO picnic on June 17

Save the date! Our last LCAGO event of the season will be a picnic at the Sechkars' house on June 17. There will be food, fun, and our annual business meeting and election of officers.

#### From the Dean

*Best wishes to you all as you prepare for Holy Week, one of the busiest weeks of the year for many of us. Know that your work as musicians is vital to the communities you serve. I encourage you to reward and refresh yourself after Easter by attending some of the many excellent recitals listed on the next page.*

- Brian

## Oberlin Events

**April 13, 8:00, Finney**  
**Jonathan Moyer, organ**  
Artist diploma recital. Franck, Pierné, Tournemire, Bonnal, Langlais.

**April 13, midnight, Finney**  
**Friday night organ pump**  
Come enjoy one of Oberlin's greatest traditions—the Friday Night Organ Pump. Listen to Conservatory organ majors performing on the awe-inspiring Finney Chapel organ.

**April 14, 4:30, Kulas**  
**Patrick Jones, fortepiano**  
Master's recital

**April 17, 6:30, Warner**  
**Travis Gu, organ**  
Artist diploma recital. Bruhns, Bach, deGrigny, Guilain.

**April 20, 8:00, Finney**  
**Oberlin College Choir and Treble Ensemble**  
Jason Harris, conductor. Villa Lobos and Stravinsky.

**April 25, 7:30, Finney**  
**Cleveland Youth Orchestra**  
James Feddeck, LCAGO member, conductor. Wagner, Shostakovich, and concerto competition winner.

**April 27 & 28, 8:00, Fairchild**  
**Collegium Musicum**  
Oberlin's early music choir. Arrive early if you want a seat.

**April 29, 8:00, Fairchild & Finney**  
**Robin Jenkins, organ**  
Senior recital

## Other Area Events

**April 2-4, 7:00, First Lutheran, Lorain**  
**Taizé worship**  
These lovely services feature meditative singing, candlelight, and meditative silence.

**April 6, noon, Ridgewood UMC, Parma**  
**Good Friday Carillon concert**  
LCAGO member Ira Cooper performs a half-hour recital. Seating in the nave or on the south lawn.

**April 6, 7:00, First Lutheran, Lorain**  
**Good Friday Service**  
This solemn service & **FIRST** music event features the singing of the *St. John Passion* composed by LCAGO dean Brian Wentzel.

**April 27, 8:00, Holy Trinity Lutheran, Akron**  
**David Higgs, organ**  
Renowned Eastman professor plays on the Trinity Organ Series.

**April 28, 10:00am, Plymouth Church, Shaker Heights**  
**Masterclass with David Higgs**  
CIM organ students play.

**April 29, 3:00, Fairmount Presbyterian, Shaker Heights**  
**Katelyn Emerson, organ**  
Oberlin sophomore and Region V RCYO winner plays a recital. Cleveland AGO event.

**April 29, 4:30, Ridgewood UMC, Parma**  
**Cleveland Philharmonic Chamber Ensemble**  
Benjamin Ammon, conductor.

## AGO Mission Statement

The purpose of the American Guild of Organists is:

- to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles;
- to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music; and
- to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.

### Free Choir Anthems

The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Lorain is thinning out their library of choir anthems, and invites anyone interested to stop by and browse the collection. If you are interested, please call the church at (440) 244-3134 to make an appointment.

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