



En Chamade

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American Guild of Organists
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From the Sub-Dean...

Already the first month of 2018 is slipping quickly by! Members, get ready for our pianist-targeted workshop at the end of the month:

Just Add Pedals?? Organ Basics for the Pianist

The event has undergone significant changes in the past month (hence the delay in getting this info to you ... with my sincere apologies). Right now, we are on track to host the morning event

**Saturday, January 27, 9:00 a.m.
Central United Methodist Church, 6 W. Dickson St., Fayetteville**

Scott Montgomery, Central's organist and newcomer to our area, will be the lead presenter. He is assisted by **Jack Cleghorn**, new organist-choirmaster at St. Paul's. Participants will enjoy individual time at the organ consoles of both churches.

But **your help** is needed as well! We need **right now**:

--to get the word out! Please copy the poster attached to the email and distribute freely, preferably with your personal invitation and encouragement! Our target audience is college-level piano students, piano teachers, and advanced high school piano students.

We need **at the event itself** on Saturday, January 27:

-- greeters at CUMC 8:30-9:00

-- folks on hand to be welcoming throughout the event

-- AGO members attending the sessions "on the periphery" to answer questions for participants awaiting their turn at the console. But of course, this is out in the wings, not to distract from Scott and Jack's work with the student at the console. **Smile!**

Decide how you'll help, and contact me right away (jeanniekecklee@gmail.com or **479-283-5500**), so I can plan accordingly.

See you January 27!

See a more detailed schedule of the morning's events on the following page > > >

JUST ADD PEDALS?? ORGAN BASICS for the PIANIST

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 27

Gather in the Sanctuary at Central United Methodist Church, 6 W. Dickson St., Fayetteville.

9:00am – Welcome. Presentation to all: general introduction about how organs work, finding one's way around a console, some of the specialized vocabulary.

9:45am – Break. Move to next session.

10:00am – At-the-console sessions. Reconvene as 2 separate groups: one remaining at CUMC and the other walking across the street to St. Paul's Episcopal. The sessions will focus on individual time at the console. AGO members will be in attendance to help answer questions from folks awaiting their turn at the console.

11:00am – Move to next session. Interchange venues.

11:15am – Repeat the sessions at the 2 churches, this time with the other half of participants.

12:15pm – All reconvene at CUMC. Thank you's, farewells.

After clean-up, AGO members can gather for an informal lunch together, venue TBD.

From the Dean...

Regional Councillor Vicki Schaeffer will be visiting us on Friday, February 9th, with a dinner at 6 p.m. and program at 7 p.m. (or slightly later if dinner doesn't go as efficiently as planned). Dinner will be at Flying Fish in Bentonville, just off of the square. I have not yet found a place to have the program, but that's next on my list. I'll send a more detailed invite mid-month, including your chance to respond to let me know that you are coming.

Vicki is traveling from Oklahoma City to be with us, so I hope I don't hear the old saw from those living 10 or more miles from the event -- oh, it's too far! Besides, how often do you get to pick the brain of someone who is in a leadership position in the national organization, especially so

soon after the FTC action that affected all of us?

I'm hoping for a great two-way dialogue, but that requires you to be there! The greater the number of participants, the richer the meeting. With that, if there are any particular topics you would like addressed, or any questions you'd like to pose in advance, please send them to me. I'll be communicating with Vicki periodically leading up to the meeting, and I'm sure she would like to know at least some of what we're looking to cover, so as to make the best use of her time.

Happy New Year and Best Wishes for a Great 2018!

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