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Newsletter

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Mozart, with love

February 9, 2026, at 7 pm



Terry Sisk, Organ&Piano
Samantha Anthony,
Soprano
John Romano, Clarinet

KUDOS to Mozart Performers

Our sincere thanks to everyone who participated in the Viva! Mozart Scholarship Concert just before the snow and ice arrived!

It was a great program with superb performances! The audience was most appreciative, and we raised close to \$2500 for the Scholarship awards in memory of Dr. Cooksey.

THANK YOU ALL!

No word from our fearless leader this month.

**Linda Beville is on a photo shoot in the Antarctic.
It might be warmer there!**

She wanted to thank all of the participants and bakers for the fantastic Mozart program and delectable desserts. We are well on our way to funding scholarships to be awarded in honor of Dr. Cooksey.

Additional KUDOS for Mozart Concert

Friends,

Thank you so very much for a lovely concert on Friday! You all worked hard to put together a really fine selection of Mozart compositions -- I enjoyed them all! And it was also neat to learn when they were composed and other bits about the music.

And the reception was very nice, too.

The only thing that would have made it better for me was if I could have conducted and sung with the choir! Melody, you did a great job!

Hugs, Wendy

REMINDER – No Feb. 15 Valentine's Day/Mardi Gras/Shrove Tues Social

We had Daniel's farewell party instead. But, you can come to Terry Sisk's program at Orchard Ridge this Monday night at 7pm. Samantha Anthony, our Alleluia soloist from the Viva! Mozart program, and John Romano will be performing with Terry on Monday evening.

Only TWO more Fantastic WAGO Programs before Summer!

1. Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 28. Be at Goodson Chapel on the Shenandoah University Campus at 10 am for a most useful program! In addition to a demo of the Tracker Organ, Wayne Wold will share his Hymn Introductions and Reharmonizations to inspire us to new heights on Sunday mornings with enhanced hymn verses!

2. Many years ago, Cooksey arranged an organ crawl to Staunton, and we had the most fun! On Saturday, June 6, save the day!! You won't want to miss this excursion! Heather Ankerbrand has arranged for us to visit 4 fabulous organs in her home town of Chambersburg, PA.

In addition to visiting four 3-manual Möller and Casavant Frères organs, ranging from 18 ranks to 42 ranks plus digital stops, we will see Tiffany stained-glass windows, a Crystal chandelier, 1883 stained-glass windows, and we will discover the history of Rose Rent churches.

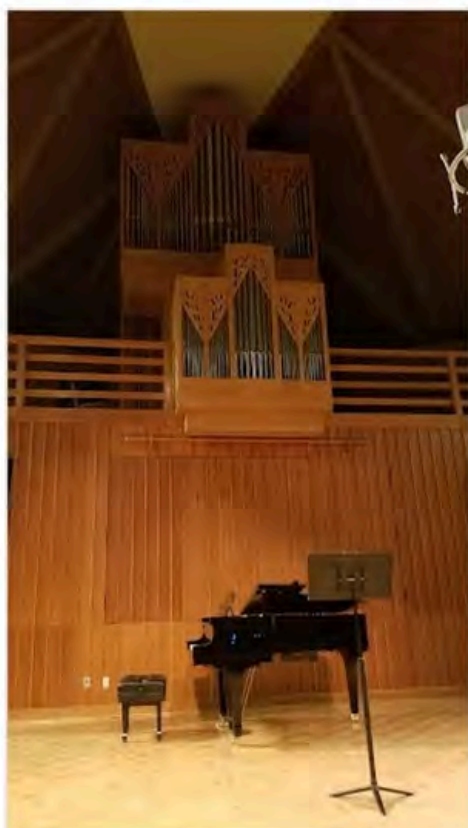
More details on lunch will be provided closer to June 6, but it will be an opportunity to meet and visit with AGO members in Chambersburg. Ricky Gearhart is in charge of carpooling, so RSVP today to forgears76@gmail.com to sign up.

I just did! I can't wait!



Tracker
Organ
Demo

Goodson Chapel at S.U.



Saturday, Feb. 28

10 AM Wayne Wold

presents a captivating
and practical workshop

Hymn
Introductions

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Organ Crawl to Chambersburg, PA

Saturday, June 6, 2026



Central Presbyterian

Casavant Frères, Op. 1634, 1939

42 ranks + digital

3 manuals

Bonus Attraction:

★ Tiffany stained-glass windows



St. John's UCC

MP Möller, Op. 9640, 1963

31 ranks

3 manuals

The entire organ is out in the open and easily viewable. No crawling around a cramped chamber!



Lunch

TBD



Zion UCC

MP Möller, Op. 8003, 1950

18 ranks

3 manuals

First Lutheran

MP Möller, Op. 9926,

1965 (Lewis & Hitchcock 2017)

35 ranks

3 manuals

Bonus Attraction:

★ Rose Rent church

★ Grave of the inventor of the sleeper car



Bonus Attractions:

- ★ Rose Rent church
- ★ Stained-glass windows from 1883
- ★ Crystal chandelier
- ★ Original organ, a melodeon
- ★ Architectural history, including changes since 1813

Questions? nkrbrnd@gmail.com

Carpooling RSVP: forgears76@gmail.com

Serenity

Adventist Church



Job Title: Part-Time Church Pianist/Organist

Location: Serenity Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Martinsburg, WV

Position Type: Part-Time

Job Description:

We are seeking a dedicated and talented Part-Time Pianist/Organist to support the worship experience at Serenity Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Martinsburg, WV. The ideal candidate will have a relationship with Jesus Christ, be a member of the Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) Church (preferred, but not required), and demonstrate strong musicianship and skill in playing the piano and/or the Hammond B3 organ.

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide musical accompaniment for weekly worship services, including Sabbath services, rehearsals, and special programs as needed.
- Play a variety of sacred music styles, including:
 - Traditional and contemporary gospel
 - Standard hymns
 - Praise and worship selections
- Collaborate with the pastor, minister of music, praise team, and other musicians to ensure a cohesive and spiritually uplifting service.
- Participate in occasional church functions, such as funerals, weddings, and holiday services, as availability permits.

Qualifications:

- Proficiency in playing the **piano and/or Hammond B3 organ**.
- Strong knowledge of SDA worship traditions and music ministry.
- Ability to play by ear and/or read sheet music.
- Familiarity with both traditional hymns and contemporary gospel music.
- Excellent collaboration and communication skills.

Schedule:

- Weekly Sabbath services (1st and 5th)
- Rehearsals as scheduled
- Additional services or events as needed

Compensation: Commensurate with experience and agreed schedule.

To apply, please send your resume and a brief statement of your musical and church background to Marcina Garner via email at serenitySDA@gmail.com. Best consideration date: November 30, 2025. Open until filled.



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