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A Letter From the Dean

Dear AGO Colleagues,

Thanks to all those who attended the organ crawl in October and to Sander Owens for organizing it. Thanks to Judy Koeman who was there to host us at Central Avenue Christian Reformed Church despite the fact that she had lost her only sister to cancer just four days earlier. We extend to you our sympathy, Judy. Judy is from a large family, however her other five siblings are brothers. A service will be held at a later time.

This next Sunday, November 6 at 3:00, will be the Fourth Annual Joy Huttar Memorial Recital at Grace Episcopal Church, 555 Michigan Avenue in Holland. Joy was organist at Grace Episcopal for many years, and an active member of our chapter. She was recognized before her death in our chapter's League of Distinguished Service, in fact, was the first person so recognized. The recitalist will be Dr. Jonathon Schakel, a native of Holland, and graduate of Hope College. His recital will be based on Psalms. This is a fitting way to spend All Saints Sunday.

Our monthly meeting will be on Sunday, November 12 at Second Reformed Church in Zeeland. Scott Vandenberg, who along with our own Aaron Goodyke started the Holland Bach Society, will speak to our chapter at 3:30, to be followed by the Bach Society concert at 5:00. I would expect there will be the usual tasty smorgasbord of treats, for which Second Reformed is known, after the concert. Please come and be a part of this wonderful afternoon.

We traditionally take a break from meeting in December. So our next meeting will be January 8. For the last several years we have enjoyed the hospitality of Linda Fulton for an Epiphany Soup Supper. This has been wildly popular, and we really needed a shoe horn to fit everyone in last year. It was debated about whether we should use a church for the venue, but everyone loves the coziness of Linda's house. If anyone would like to help make soup(s) please contact Linda. We did all bring side dishes, salads, breads, desserts. So I'm sure it will be a highlight of the year again. The time is 6:15 and the address is 937 Songbird Lane, Holland.

It is not too soon to start thinking about our member recital on Sunday, February 11 at Second Reformed in Zeeland. We will focus on Lent and Easter, particularly newer pieces that we can use in service playing. If Aaron does not hear from a suitable number of people, you will be hearing from him.

Please, please be thinking of fellow church musicians who could benefit from our fellowship. Our November meeting would be a good opportunity to introduce them to our group.

With happy thoughts, despite this early snowfall,

Julia Colingsworth Holland AGO Dean

Hope College Orchestra Concert and Hymn Sing

The Hope College music department is presenting a hymn sing as part of its Fall orchestra concert, Friday November 3 at 7:00p.m. in the Jack H. Miller music building concert hall. Featured will be the Hope College Orchestra; Hope College Chapel Worship Team Singers, Samuel Pang, conductor; Huw Lewis, organ; Sarah VandenBrink, voice; and Peter Kadeli, voice. The program is:

Glinka: Overture to Ruslan and Lyudmila Grieg: Peer Gynt Suite No.1, Op.46 • Intermission -Hymn Sing John 1:1 All Creatures Of Our God And King The Creation This Is My Father's World The Fall An Evening Prayer The Exodus and the Law Guide me, O Thou Great Redeemer The Psalms How Great Thou Art The Prophets Come Thou Long Expected Jesus The Incarnation O Come, All Ye Faithful The Crucifixion When I survey the Wondrous Cross

The Resurrection

Crown Him with Many Crowns

The Future Hope

Spera in Deo (Hope College Anthem)

The Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

(in the tune of *All Creatures Of Our God and King*)

Joy Huttar Memorial Organ Recital

The Fouth Annual Joy Huttar Memorial Organ Recital at Grace Episcopal Church in Holland will be held on All Saints Sunday, November 5 at 3:00 PM. This year's recital will feature Holland native Dr. Jonathan Schakel as guest artist.

Organist and harpsichordist <u>Jonathan Schakel</u> is a native of Holland, Michigan, and a graduate of Hope College. He earned a doctoral degree in performance practice at Cornell University, where he studied with Annette Richards and David Yearsley. He holds a master's degree in organ and early music from Longy School of Music in Cambridge, MA, where he studied organ and harpsichord with Peter Sykes and continuo with Frances Conover Fitch. He has been a concerto soloist at the Staunton Music Festival in Staunton, Virginia, and has given organ recitals in the Netherlands, Germany, Scotland, and many of the United States, including performances at the Piccolo Spoleto Festival in Charleston, SC; Harvard University; Princeton University; Trinity Church, Boston; St Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh; the Ludgerikirche, Norden, Germany; and de Engelse Kerk, Amsterdam. His editions of Renaissance vocal music have been performed in the US, England, and Germany, and he serves as artistic director for the early music vocal ensemble Zephyrus. He is currently organist at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he also serves as artistic director of the Westminster Organ Concert Series.

PROGRAM

Organ Psalms
Toccata in F Major, BuxWV 156 Dieterich Buxtehude
(c. 1637-1707)

In dich hab ich gehoffet, Herr Franz Tunder (1614-1667)

Psalm 31: In you, Lord, I have taken refuge.

Turn your ear to me,

come quickly to my rescue.

Psalm 42 Claude Goudimel (c. 1514-1572)

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Psalm 42: As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

Erbarm dich mein o Herre Gott

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

Psalm 51: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Psalm 72

Jacques van Oortmerssen (1950-2015)

Psalm 77

Psalm 72: Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son. In his days may righteousness flourish! and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

Psalm 77: The crash of your thunder was in the heavens; your lightnings lit up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

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An wasserflüssen Babylon, BWV 653 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Psalm 137: By Babylon's streams, there we sat and wept, when we recalled Zion.

On the poplars there we hung up our harps.

In manus tuas

Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968)

Psalm 31: Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

Fantaisie sur Psaume 90 Bert Matter (b. 1937)

Psalm 90: O Lord, you have been our dwelling place in every generation.

Before the mountains were born,
before you formed the earth and the world,
from forever to forever you are God.

Sonata in A Major Felix Mendelssohn Allegro maestoso (1809-1847) Andante Tranquillo

Psalm 130: From the depths I called you, O Lord.

Master, hear my voice.

May your ears listen to the voice of my plea.

Psalm 150 Toon Hagen (b. 1959)

Psalm 150: Praise God with the blast of the horn, with the timbrel and dance, with strings and flute.

First Reformed Church Annual Advent Recital

Rick VanOss will give his annual Advent recital a week earlier than usual this year. On Sunday, November 26, at 3pm, he will play a concert of Thanksgiving and Advent music at First Reformed Church, 630 State Street, Holland MI 49423. Come and celebrate the seasons!

2023-2024 Calendar						
Nov 12, 3:30	Attend Holland Bach Society concert; 3:30 talk by	Second Reformed Church,				
p.m.	director Scott Vandenberg before the 5:00 concert	Zeeland				
Jan 8, 6:15	Epiphany Party	Linda Fulton's house, 937				
p.m.		Songbird Lane, Holland				
Feb 8	Members' Recital featuring new service music	Second Reformed Church,				
		Zeeland				
Mar 11	Virtual Home Pipe Organs	Sander Owens' Home				
Apr 15	Introducing and Playing New Hymns	Location TBA				
May, date	Workshop with guest composer Michael Burkhardt	Location TBA				
TBA						
Jun 17	Annual potluck picnic	Location TBA				
(tentative)						

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