

November 2022 San Joaquin Valley Chapter American Guild of Organists

### From the Dean

October proved to be a busy month, per usual. Our music community seems to be back in full swing and there were practically concerts lined up every weekend! I was so glad to make it to hear member Scott Horton's annual Bachtober concert midmonth. I particularly enjoyed the Prelude and Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV 552 (St. Anne). Congratulations on another wonderful concert Scott!

Today (11/2) is All Saints Day and I think of our SJVAGO members who have passed this year; Cathy Walker, Dale Fleck, and Gordon Zentner. While each of us come from different backgrounds, the organ and music bring us together, and that is a beautiful thing. I'm grateful for all of the "Saints" of our AGO.

I hope to see some of you participating in our December Christmas concert! Be sure to read all of the information below.

Blessings, Cactus Harris, Dean

#### Call for Substitute Organists

Are you available to sub for services? Let us know! We would like to publish an accurate list of substitute organists in the Stop and Reed Newsletter. Please let Michael Varlas know at <u>mvarlas@yahoo.com</u> if you would like to be added to the list. Provide contact information and availability parameters (e.g. not available Sunday mornings, funerals or weddings only, willing to accompany choir, etc.)

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## Chapter Events

#### "Music for Advent & Christmas" Member recital

SJVAGO Members and Friends

Friday, December 9, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. University Presbyterian Church 1776 E. Roberts Ave., Fresno

#### "Twelfth Night Celebration" Family Social

Saturday, January 7, 2023 1:00 PM at the Zentner Ranch 13828 S. Academy Ave., Kingsburg

#### Philip Lorenz Keyboard Concert

Nicole Keller, Organist

Sunday, February 5, 2023 3:00 PM at Fresno State University Details to follow

#### **Choral Workshop**

Noon

Saturday, March 18, 2023, 9:00 AM – 12

University Presbyterian Church 1771 E. Roberts Ave., Fresno

(Open to all choir members and directors. Massed choir will be singing at the Hymn Festival on Sunday)

#### Hymn Festival

Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. Jeffry Wilson, Director University Presbyterian Church 1771 E. Roberts Ave., Fresno

#### **Organ Artist Series Concert**

Joy-Leilani Garbutt, Organist

Sunday, June 4th, 2023 at 4:00 pm First Congregational Church 2131 N. Van Ness Blvd., Fresno

#### NEXT SJVAGO BOARD MEETING: NOTE THE DAY

Sunday, November 13, 2023 6:00 PM on ZOOM.

Details will be sent out about joining the meeting a little closer to the meeting date.

## Member Recital



CHRISTMAS MEMBER RECITAL Friday, December 9th, 2022 at 7pm University Presbyterian Church, Fresno

- Have you been working up something special for Christmas this year? Come play in our AGO Member Recital!
- 3 manual Aeolian Skinner, or the SJVAGO Continuo Organ.
- Invite an instrumentalist or vocalist to accompany
- Lead a congregational carol, then follow it up with an organ arrangement.
- Lots of possibilities!

Contact: Cactus Harris cactus@upcfresno.org (805)591-9680

Sign Up Deadline: Monday, November 28th.

# Twelfth Night

# SAVE THE DATE

#### "12TH NIGHT" AGO SOCIAL LUNCHEON

JANUARY 7TH AT 1PM ZENTNER FAMILY RANCH, KINGSBURG

