

# American Guild of Organists



## DEAN'S COLUMN

On Monday evening, Nov. 26th, a great group of 25 gathered at Central Union Church for our annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner. After an Italian buffet, our members introduced

their guests and then everyone engaged in a get-better-acquainted activity which produced a diverse collection of information not previously known by dinner mates. Everyone was invited to share something (willingly) on paper that might not be known about themselves, randomly draw a folded slip, and then attempt to match the fact with a face. We discovered in our midst a Kindergarten drop-out, an engineer (in a previous career) involved in placing man on the moon, and even an individual held at gunpoint in a Palestinian refugee camp! And much more . . . . Congregations represented included Anglican, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Seventh-day Adventist, and the United Church of Christ. Iolani School was also well represented by two chaplains. Our speakers, Rev. Neal MacPherson and John Renke, spoke knowledgeably about issues of relevance: clergy and musician working relationships, hymnody, worship, music of various styles . . . . A discussion followed, and could have easily continued for some time! My thanks again to both speakers and to all who were able to attend.

As you know, we have not planned an AGO chapter event in December. This newsletter will list worship services, special seasonal offerings, and performances for the Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany seasons in various venues. Although many of you may feel the crush of Christmas approaching, I invite you to consider attending an event someone else is hosting, if you can.

May you be blessed once again by the Gift that was given, and the many gifts that you will share and receive through music this season.

Happy holidays!

*Margaret Lloyd*, Dean

## HOLIDAY MUSIC HAPPENINGS ON O'AHU

(Sorry, no information was received about music on the neighbor islands)

**Friday, Nov. 30th, 7 pm, Sixth Winter Concert.** Hawai'i Pacific University International Chorale and Vocal Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra, Central Union Church, 1660 So. Beretania Street. The concert will feature music from around the world, including songs from Brazil, China, Great Britain, Ireland, Italy, Mongolia, the Philippines, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, and Hawai'i and the United States. Portions of the program will include special guests, the Sacred Hearts Academy Choir and the Marine Forces Pacific Band. Susan M. Duprey, director of HPU Choral Music, and Dr. Teresa McCreary, director of HPU Instrumental Music.

**Sunday, December 2, 5:30 pm, Advent Lessons and Carols,** St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square. John Renke, Music Director and Organist. Carols and readings in preparation for the celebration of Christmas.

**Sunday, December 2, 7:00 pm, Handel 'Messiah,'** Central Union Church, 1660 So. Beretania Street. The Central Union Church Oratorio Choir and Handel Festival Chamber Orchestra; Catherine Goto, soprano; Debbie Kelsey, mezzo-soprano, Kalani Brady, tenor; Christopher Kelsey, bass, Noel Lovelace, conductor. The 60th annual presentation of this holiday favorite.

**Sunday, December 2, 7:30 pm, A Procession of Carols on Advent Sunday,** Lutheran Church of Honolulu, 1730 Punahou Street. Music by Peter Hallock, Samuel Scheidt, Orlando Gibbons, Herbert Howells, Jacob Handl, Sergei Rachmaninoff, Kenneth Leighton, Ralph Vaughan Williams and Katherine Crosier.

**Sunday, December 2, 7:30, Honolulu Chinese Christian Chorus,** First Chinese Church of Christ, 1054 So. King Street.

**Monday, December 3, 7:30 pm, Honolulu Brass,** St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square. Chamber Music Hawaii presents a holiday celebration with brass and percussion.

**Wednesday, December 5, 12:30 pm, Organ Recital** at St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square. John Renke, organist.

**Wednesday, December 5, 6:30 pm, St. Andrew's Priory School Choir and Orchestra Concert,** St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square.

## **HOLIDAY MUSIC HAPPENINGS, continued**

**Friday, December 7, 6:30 pm, St. Andrew's Priory School Band Concert**, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square.

**Saturday, December 8, 7:30 pm and Sunday, December 9, 4:00 pm, Candlelight Christmas Concerts**, Hawai'i Vocal Arts Ensemble, at the Mystical Rose Oratory, Chaminade University of Honolulu. Timothy Carney, director. Tickets from \$5-\$35 available from "honoluluboxoffice.com" or 550-8457.

**Sunday, December 9, 2:30 pm, Carols Around the World**, Harris United Methodist Church, corner of Vineyard and Nuuanu. Young Pak, music director and handbell director.

**Wednesday, December 12, 12:30 pm, Organ Recital** at St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square, John Renke, organist.

**Friday, December 14, 7:30 pm, Iolani School Chorus Christmas Concert**, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square, John Alexander, director.

**Saturday, December 16, 11:30 am, Lutheran Church of Honolulu Choir Christmas Concert** at the Hawaii State Library, Carl Crosier and Allen Bauchle, conductors.

**Wednesday, December 19, 12:30, St. Mark's Singers Choral Concert** at St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square, David Kayner, director.

**Friday, December 21, 5:30 pm, Blue Christmas**, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square. A service of reflection for the longest night.

**Friday, December 21, 7:00 pm, Honolulu Boy Choir Christmas Concert**, Central Union Church, 1660 So. Beretania St.

**Monday, December 24, Central Union Church**, 1660 So. Beretania Street, 9:00 pm and 11:00 pm, Holy Communion.

**Monday, December 24, Lutheran Church of Honolulu**, 1730 Punahou Street. 5:00 pm, Family Candlelight Service with children's choir and chamber orchestra; 10:30 pm, A Baroque Christmas, J. S. Bach, Cantata 110, "Unser Mund sei voll Lachens"; 11:00 pm Festival Choral Eucharist, Franz Joseph Haydn, "Missa Brevis in F major," Manuel de Sumaya, "Albricias, mortales," carols by Praetorius, Howells and Willcocks. LCH Choir, soloists, and Bach Chamber Orchestra.

**Monday, December 24, St. Andrew's Cathedral**. 5:00 pm, Family Eucharist and Christmas Pageant; 7:00 Holy Eucharist with Carols; 10:30 pm, Nativity Music and Meditations; 11:00 pm, Choral Eucharist.

**Tuesday, December 25, 10:30 am, Lutheran Church of Honolulu**, 1730 Punahou Street, men's choir. Edward Bairstow, "Mass for unison voices" and Christmas motets by Jacob Handl. J. S. Bach, organ chorale preludes for Christmas. Carl Crosier, cantor, Katherine Crosier, organist, Allen Bauchle, assistant choirmaster.

**Tuesday, December 25, 10:00 am, Choral Eucharist** with hymns and prayers, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square.

**Saturday, December 29, 4 p.m. Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us**, Community

Church of Honolulu, 2345 Nuuanu Ave. An ecumenical musical celebration with the Hawaii Ecumenical Chorale (Aaron David Mahi, Director), Harris UMC Chancel Choir (Diane Matsuura, Director), De Colores Men's Choir of Christ UMC (Jinso Yi, Director), and Ringing Angels of Logos Korean Church.

**Sunday, December 30, 9:15 am, A Festival of Lessons and Carols**, Lutheran Church of Honolulu, 1730 Punahou Street. Carols by Walton, Guest, Cutter, Willcocks, Lister, Leighton, and Parker/Shaw.

**Tuesday, January 1, 10:00 am, The Holy Name**, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square, Choral Eucharist with hymns and prayers. The Cathedral Choirs, John Renke, music director and organist.

**Tuesday, January 1, 4:00 pm, German Vespers for New Year's Day**, Lutheran Church of Honolulu, 1730 Punahou Street. J. S. Bach, Cantata 16 "Herr Gott, dich loben wir," George Philipp Telemann, "Latin Magnificat in C major." Hymns, prayers, responses and sermon will be in German. LCH Choir, soloists and Bach Chamber Orchestra, Carl Crosier, director.

**Sunday, January 6, 5:30 pm, Festival of Lessons and Carols for the Epiphany**, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square. John Renke, director.



### **THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SAINT ANDREW**

**First Sunday of Advent  
Sunday, Dec. 2, 2007  
5:30 pm**

**Advent Lessons and Carols**  
*Carols and Readings in  
preparation for the celebration  
of Christmas*

# CENTRAL UNION CHURCH

## ORGANIST POSITIONS OPEN IN HILO

The 60th Annual Presentation of  
*George Frideric Handel's*  
**Messiah**  
Noël Lovelace, conductor

featuring:  
The Central Union Church  
Oratorio Choir  
and  
Handel Festival  
Chamber Orchestra  
with soloists:  
Catherine Goto, soprano  
Debbie Kelsey, mezzo-soprano  
Kalani Brady, tenor  
Christopher Kelsey, bass

Sunday, December 2, 2007 – 7:30 p.m.

CENTRAL UNION CHURCH • HONOLULU • ON THE CORNER OF BERETANIA AND PUNAHOU  
A freewill offering will be taken to help defray expenses of the orchestra.

Church of the Holy Cross (UCC)  
440 West Lanikaula Street  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Phone Number: 935-1283  
14 ranks of Moller pipes with a new 3-manual Allen digital console.

Hilo United Methodist Church  
374 Waianuenue Avenue  
Hilo, HI 96720  
Phone 808 935-2144  
Allen three manual digital.

Hilo Higashi Hongwanji Mission  
216 Moho'uli St  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
The organ is a 1962 Wicks with three manuals and 27 ranks of pipes. The organ is being completely restored.



Hawai'i Vocal Arts Ensemble  
presents

Sixteenth Annual  
**Candlelight  
Christmas Concerts**  
Saturday, December 8, 7:30 pm  
Sunday, December 9, 4:00 pm

Mystical Rose Oratory,  
Chaminade University of Honolulu

For tickets, call Honolulu Box Office at 550-8457  
or visit [honoluluboxoffice.com](http://honoluluboxoffice.com)

## A PROCESSION WITH CAROLS ON ADVENT SUNDAY

Sunday, December 2, 2007 • 7:30 pm

Music by Peter R. Hallock, Herbert Howells, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Jacob Handl,  
Kenneth Leighton, Samuel Scheidt and Katherine Crosier

The Lutheran Church of Honolulu Choir and the Compline Choir  
Carl Crosier, Allen Bauchle and Keane Ishii, conductors

Lutheran Church of Honolulu  
1730 Punahou Street • Phone 941-2566 [www.lchwelcome.org](http://www.lchwelcome.org)

## CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER

November 26, 2007  
Central Union Church



Twenty-five people attended the Seventh Annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner at Central Union Church. The tables were festively decorated with red tablecloths and green basil centerpieces (to put everyone in an Italian mood for the pasta bar which followed.) Dean Margaret Lloyd raised the bar for these dinners by having real dinnerware and silverware instead of paper plates and plastic utensils!



Rob Lloyd (left) and Carl Crosier (right) are waiting for the program to begin.



A delightful dialogue ensued between John Renke (left), music director of St. Andrew's Cathedral and Pastor Neal MacPherson (right) of the Church of the Crossroads on the working relationship between clergy and church musicians. Other topics that came up included hymnody, appropriateness of music, contemporary liturgies and more. John said that the person who knows the priest or pastor the best, outside of his spouse, is the organist!

Everyone went home smiling after a most enjoyable evening.

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## UPCOMING HAWAII CHAPTER AGO PROGRAM YEAR 2007-2008

**December,** No meeting (Christmas)

**January 26, 2008.** "Organ Crawl, Part I" to Iolani School's "Virtual Organ," a Macintosh computer running Hauptwerk virtual pipe organ software, with two manuals and pedal. The crawl will also travel to St. Mark's Episcopal for a look at its Walker digital organ.

**February 2008.** "Organ Crawl, Part II" to Central Union Church and the Lutheran Church of Honolulu.

**March 2008,** No meeting (Easter)

**April 26, 2008.** "The Young Organist," featuring AGO scholarship students and other young organists at the Lutheran Church of Honolulu.

**May 2008.** Annual Dinner Meeting, election of officers.

**June 13, 2008.** Paul Jacobs Concert at Central Union Church