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*Happy
New Year!*



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JANUARY PROGRAM

Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza

**Saturday, January 20, 2024
10:00 AM - 12:45 PM**

Starting at:

**Southminster Presbyterian Church
6306 Roe Avenue
Prairie Village, KS 66208**

Ending at:

**Trinity Lutheran Church
5601 W 62nd St,
Mission, KS 66202**



GKCAGO BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Finance team already recommends to the Board disbursement from or deposit to any investment account. Motion to add the following to that language in our Operating Procedures: "including the annual distribution of a portion of any donor restricted endowments. The distribution amount will fall within a range of 4% to 6% of the balance of the endowments and will be set with the goal of protecting the endowments from a loss of purchasing power. The Board has the authority to set a distribution amount outside of the recommended range." MOTION PASSES.

Motion to spend up to \$500 to bring "Piper" the OrgelKids kit from Central Iowa for our January 20 PPP event: MOTION PASSES

GKCAGO 2023-2024 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 2024

Dr. Katie Webb in recital

Canon Musician at Trinity Cathedral, Portland, OR

Monday, Feb 19, 2024 6:15 PM dinner and program 7:30 PM

Visitation Parish, Kansas City, MO

MARCH 2024

Dr. Elisa Bickers in recital

Friday, March 1, 2024 7:00 pm

Village Presbyterian, Prairie Village, KS

Co-sponsored event with Village
as a part of the church's 75th Anniversary.

APRIL 2024

Silent Movie – Brett Valliant, organist

TBD

Location to be announced

MAY 2024

Bachathon XLV

Sunday, May 5, 2024 1:30 – 4:00 PM

Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City, MO

JUNE 2024

Social Event - Food and fun

exploring the 34-rank house organ at Burfarm

Monday, June 17, 2024 6:00 PM

Burfarm, Lawrence, KS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WANTED WEBMASTER + ELECTION COMMITTEE PERSON.

The Information team will have an opening for a webmaster starting in July 2024.

What does the webmaster do:

1. Attend bi-monthly team meetings.
2. Post items on the chapter website
 - a. monthly chapter newsletters
 - b. update substitute list
 - c. create job opening email blasts.
 - d. updates emails in MailChimp
 - e. create events on website.

The information team will also have an opening on the Election Committee. Once the nominating committee completes their work and has a slate of candidates for the annual election, this position will organize the election, create, and distribute ballots, capture, and report election results.

This position works with the nominating committee, communications committee, the webmaster, newsletter editor, and the dean. The election takes place in April and March would be the preparation month.

Both these openings could be handled by the same person or two different people. The webmaster is a year-round position, and the election committee currently would be working in March and April. (Unless there is a special election.)

Detailed process documents exist for both openings. If you are interested and would like to review the process documents describing the tasks involved, or if you would like to shadow Mike Maiden for the rest of the year, please contact Debbie Winter, Team Lead.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, January 13, 2024 3:30 pm
Southminster Presbyterian Church
6303 Roe Avenue, Prairie Village, KS 66208

Mozart's Requiem: Choir, Orchestra and Soloists with Pre-Concert Talk at 3:15

Saturday, January 27, 2024 2:00 pm
Village Presbyterian Church
6641 Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS, 66208

Jane Austen's Piano Lessons will be hosted by Linda Mannering at the January meeting of the Jane Austen National Society Kansas City Metropolitan Region. Jacob Hofeling, Dean of the Greater Kansas City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, will co-host.

It's no secret that Jane Austen enjoyed music and played the piano. She favored popular and dance music that she performed to entertain her family. There is some mystery surrounding her musical growth through piano lessons with the Winchester Cathedral assistant organist Stephen Chard. In this presentation, we will speculate on how Jane Austen's lessons may have been conducted. Encouraged by her father to study and play the piano, her early years of piano lessons coincided with the wildly creative years of her juvenilia literature. A similar outpouring of her youthful comical and often irreverent parodies are found in songs in her collections along with vigorous dance pieces. The renowned expert Gillian Dooley states with "a fair amount of confidence [that she has] identified 140–150 pieces of music as written in Jane Austen's handwriting, apparently across the course of her life." Eight bound volumes and two unbound volumes of Jane Austen's collected music are available today via Austen descendants. Dr. Jacob Hofeling, Director of Music and Liturgy at St. Mark Catholic Church in Independence, Missouri, will jointly lecture and perform piano pieces found in the "Austen Family Music Books" and discuss music instruction common in England during Jane Austen's formative years. Linda Mannering, pianist and teacher, is a member of JASNA and lives in Lawrence, KS. Linda is a new member of the GKCAGO currently serving on the Education Team.

Free Event, for more information, visit jasnakc.org.

Jan Kraybill's 25th annual Super Bowl Sunday Organ Concert
Sunday, February 11, 2024 2:00 pm
Community of Christ Temple
201 S. River Blvd. Independence, MO 64055

Save the date! Jan's 25th annual concert on Super Bowl Sunday will celebrate Most Valuable Players of the organ world, and of course, our own Kansas City Chiefs. The venue will be Community of Christ Temple— where the very first SBS concert occurred 25 years ago. More details to come! The event is free and open to the public.

SUBSTITUTES AVAILABLE

Substitutes listed are members of the local organ guild. The people who hold AGO certificates have passed requirements of the National American Guild of Organists for various levels of service playing and choral conducting. However, the GKCAGO is not an endorsement agency for service provided by the persons listed here. To learn proficiency of substitutes, feel free to ask them for references. Feedback regarding the hiring of GKCAGO substitutes is welcome and encouraged.

Please send feedback to John Schaefer canonjohn40@gmail.com.

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FAGO = Fellow certification | org = organist | lit = liturgical worship | dir = choral director | piano = pianist

The following also offer their services

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