

# Mixtures



BINGHAMTON NEW YORK CHAPTER OF AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

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Dean's Message



***HELP IS ON THE WAY!***

With two outstanding events behind us, we are now anticipating two additional workshops which promise to add interest and variety to our playing. Richard Van Auken will assist us with registration on Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal, Johnson City. Bring along that piece of music for which you still haven't found a suitable registration. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn from someone else's experience. The organ at All Saints is a 2-manual 1968 Reuter with 14 ranks and zimbelstern.

Another opportunity to enhance our organ performance will take place on Saturday, May 1, at the Dryden Methodist Church. What music can you share with others at an organ-plus workshop? Will you be willing to play all or a portion of it? The church organist will be on hand to assist us with registration. If you need an instrumentalist, we may be able to obtain one for you. I wish to compile a handout for this workshop, listing your suggestions of organ-plus repertoire which you have performed successfully (title, composer, publisher, instrumentation and any other helpful information). Esther Wilcox will make luncheon reservations for us at a local eatery. More details will follow in next month's *Mixtures*.

Polly Wendling, Co-dean



***THANK YOU!!***

--to **Jean Henssler**, who coordinated a presentation of Wayne Leupold demonstrators, designed to introduce young people to the pipe organ. Listeners heard the Bible stories of *Noah's Ark* and *Daniel and the Lion's Den*, accompanied on the organ by **Jean Henssler** and **Richard Van Auken**. Thanks to **Grace Lutheran** for hosting this event on January 23.

--to **Joan Kellam**, who coordinated the clergy/musicians dinner/program on Feb. 1 and to **First Presbyterian Union**, Owego for hosting the event. Thanks also to **Jean Henssler**, who mixed and served the punch at the pre-dinner gathering; **Roberta Rowland-Raybold**, District Convener, for her brief "pep talk"; to hymn presenters: **Donna Frye**, **Ellie Rugg**, **Joan Kellam**, **Carolyn Blake**, **Laura Kennedy**, and **Lee Roseboom**; to those who led Holden's Evening Prayer: **Richard Sheasley**, **Dave Schriber**, and **Janet Hammond** (cantors), **Chaplin Worley** (presider), **Polly Wendling** (piano), and **Jean Henssler** (flute). Pictures of the event can be found in the photo gallery at [www.binghamtonago.org](http://www.binghamtonago.org).



## AGO EVENTS

Saturday, **Mar. 13** – (note change in date) **9:30 am** Binghamton AGO board meeting (elected officers and standing committee chairpersons) at Dunkin' Donuts, Reynolds Rd.

Friday, **March 19** – **7 pm** *From Sea to Shining Sea* (DVD multi-media presentation tracing the first 200 years of the organ in America) at Grace Episcopal, 375 W. Church St., Elmira; co-sponsored by Chemung Valley AGO Chapter

Saturday, **April 17** - **10 am-Noon** *Finding the Perfect Registration*, Richard Van Auken, clinician; All Saints Episcopal Church, Johnson City

Saturday, **May 1** - **10 am** *Organ-Plus Repertoire Sharing* at the Dryden United Methodist Church, Dryden, NY

**July 4 - 8** AGO National Convention in Washington, D.C. Go to [agohq.org](http://agohq.org) to register online or to obtain printout of registration form.



## NON-AGO EVENTS

Thursday, **February 25** - **7:30 pm** US Air Force Brass Quintet "**Stellar Brass**" at Chamber Hall of BU

Friday, **February 26** - **7:30 pm** US Air force Brass Quintet At Owego Free Academy  
Tickets for both concerts are free, but needed.

Saturday, **February 27** - **7:30 pm** USAF Brass at Ithaca College - no tickets needed

Saturday, **March 27** – **7:30 pm** Binghamton Theater Organ Society presents Jim Ford in concert at the Forum; Silent Movie, *Wings*

Sunday, **April 25** – **3 pm** The Madrigal Choir and the Binghamton Community Orchestra collaborate to perform *The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace* by Karl Jenkins; Vestal Middle School Auditorium, Binghamton



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### Psalm 150

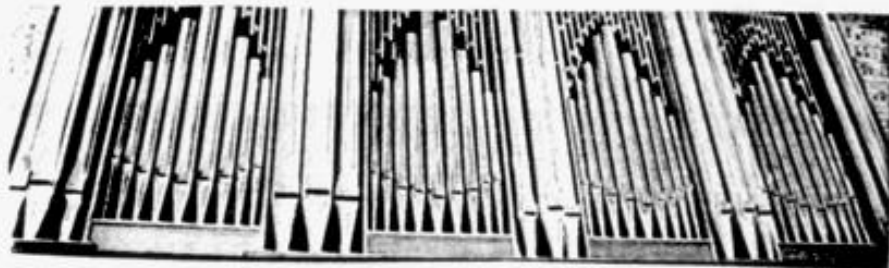
*(Gently revised for inclusive language and paraphrased in deference to the King of Instruments by Rev. David L. Schriber, OSL. )*

Alleluia!

Praise the Lord in the earthly sanctuary;  
praise God in the heavenly expanse.  
Praise the Lord for mighty deeds;  
praise God for divine transcendence.

Praise the Lord with blasts of the shofar and trumpet;  
praise God with soothing lyre and harp.  
Praise the Lord with tambourines and dancing;  
praise God with strings and reeds.  
Praise the Lord with principals and pedals,  
praise God with flute and pipe.  
Praise the Lord with the crashing of cymbals;  
praise God with the tinkling of zimbelstern.

Praise the Lord with the sounds of instruments and  
voice;  
praise God with awe and profundity of silence.  
Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.  
Alleluia!



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Note change of Board meeting. If you cannot come, please send a report to Polly.

Job postings are omitted in the online version of Mixtures



Sending SUNSHINE to Caroline Stone. We miss your smiling face!!



Are you a United Methodist organist, pastor, worship artist, handbell, instrumental or choral director? The Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts is a wonderful resource. Speak with Carolyn Blake about this.

Does your denomination have an organization like this? Tell us about it.

Are you going to the National Convention in Washington, DC? Let us know so we can help each other with travel and/or accommodations.



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