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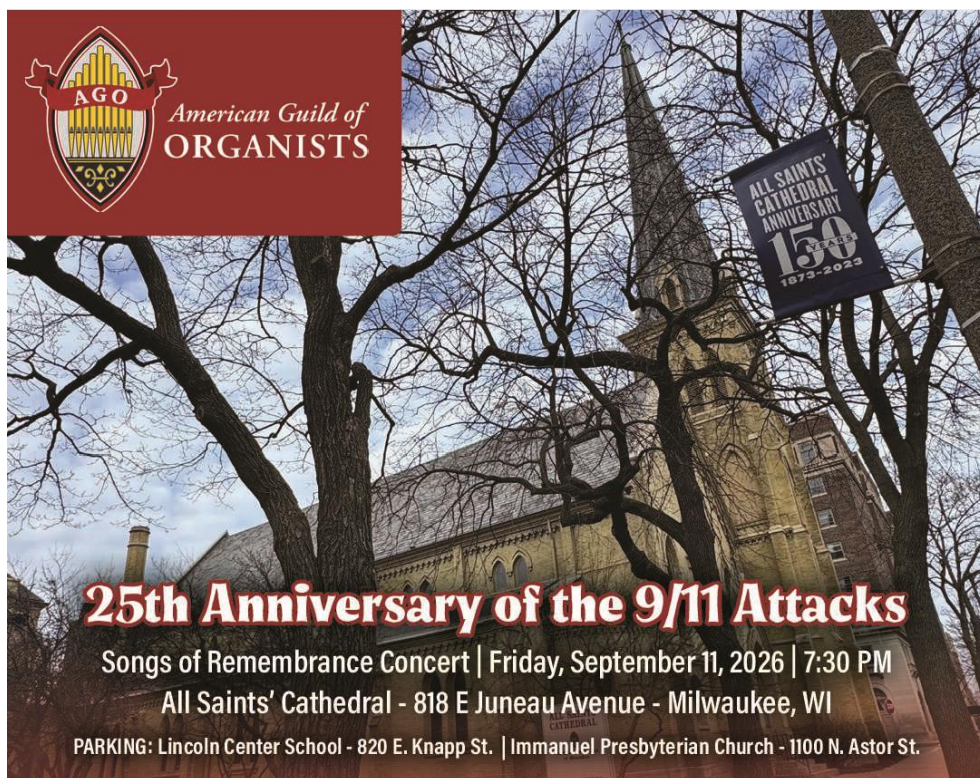
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## **25th Anniversary of the 9/11 Attacks**

**Songs of Remembrance Concert | Friday, September 11, 2026 | 7:30 PM**

**All Saints' Cathedral - 818 E Juneau Avenue - Milwaukee, WI**

**PARKING: Lincoln Center School - 820 E. Knapp St. | Immanuel Presbyterian Church - 1100 N. Astor St.**

The free public performance will be held at 7:30 pm Friday, Sept. 11, 2026, at All Saints' Cathedral, 818 E Juneau Ave. in East-Town Milwaukee.

Guest artists include AGO Milwaukee Chapter Musicians:

Michael Batcho, Lee Erickson, David Bahrke, Organists Carlot Dorve, Trumpet Aperi - Vocal Ensemble-in-Residence at All Saints' Cathedral

The event will include the ringing of the Cathedral's Bells of Remembrance and Hope, dedicated in 2007 to memorialize those who lost their lives on 9/11.

*We Shall Remember Them....*

Cosponsored by: All Saints' Cathedral | AGO Milwaukee Chapter  
Freewill Offering to benefit Tunnels to Towers [ T2T.org ], supporting the victims and families affected by 9/11.



# Registration Organ Bus Tour to Madison

Saturday, October 24, 2026

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | \$60.00

Advance Paid Registration DUE by  
September 15th

Scan QR Code to Register & Pay

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Saint Bernard's Catholic Cathedral

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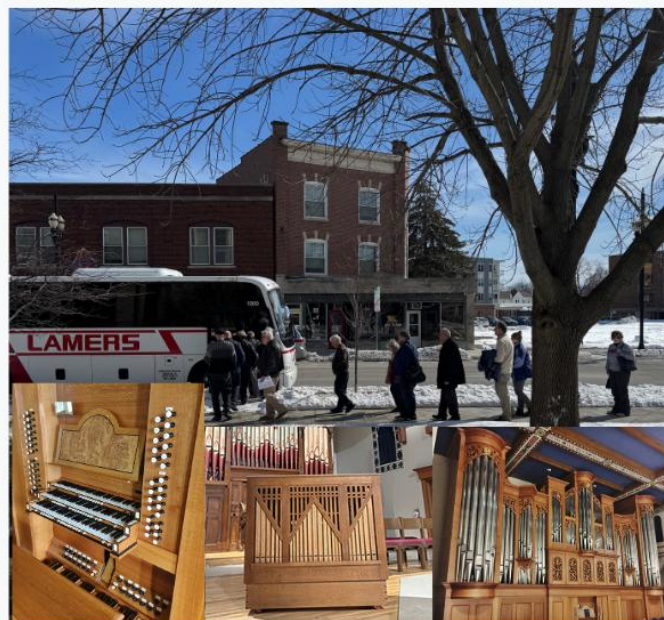
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## August 2026

Our summer is flying by, and we are all making preparations for the beginning of choir season in just a few short weeks. It seems like we were just celebrating Pentecost and the end of the choir season. The AGO Milwaukee Program season will be starting right away at the beginning of September as well. We are kicking off our program year with a service of Remembrance of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 9/11 Attacks at All Saints' Cathedral on Friday, 9/11/2026 at 7:30 pm. The Bells of Remembrance and Hope at the Cathedral were dedicated in 2007 to memorialize those who lost their lives in the attacks on 9/11. We will have AGO Milwaukee Chapter members who will play, and Aperi, the Ensemble in Residence at the Cathedral will also perform, and the bells of remembrance and hope will be rung. A Free Will Offering will be taken to benefit Tunnels to Towers, an organization that benefits victims and families of those affected by 9/11. It will be a very moving and fitting way to remember.

We also have an important deadline for our October event. We have scheduled a coach bus from Lamers to take us to Madison for the Church and Organ Tour. There are a total of 35 seats (10 of which we are allowing for the Madison Chapter). We need you to scan the QR code at the top of the page or follow the link <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/madison-organ-and-church-bus-tour> and sign up by the middle of September (September 15, 2026). Your fee of \$60 includes the bus ride to and from Madison and a Boxed Lunch. Why do we need to know so early? We need to know if we have enough people to either release more seats to the Madison ACM or if we need to cancel the bus. I am sure that we can fill the bus!

John Schubring



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## AGO National Elections - 2026

### 2026 SLATES ANNOUNCED; CALL FOR NOMINATIONS BY PETITION DUE AUG. 31

The AGO National Nominating Committee has presented its [slate of candidates](#) for election to the National Council and Council of Regional Ambassadors. AGO Bylaws also allow for additional [nominations by petition](#) from the membership. Elections will be conducted by email during the month of November. **For more information, contact [Karen Rich](#), Director of the National Nominating Committee.**

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## August 2026

5 (Wed) 12:15 Ken Hill, Organ  
Lunchtime Organ Recital Series  
First United Methodist Church  
325 E. Franklin St  
Appleton, WI

7 (Fri) 12:00 Eastwinds Chamber Ensemble  
St. John the XXIII Concert Series  
446 Johnson St  
Port Washington, WI

11 (Tues) 6:30 John Kopp, Organ  
St. Anne's Episcopal Church  
347 Libal St  
De Pere, WI

12 (Wed) 12:15 Vashni Seitzer, Organ  
Lunchtime Organ Recital Series  
St. Mary's Catholic Church  
528 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Menasha, WI

14 (Fri) 12:00 Dr. Craig Sproat, Organ  
St. John the XXIII Concert Series  
446 Johnson St  
Port Washington, WI

18 (Tues) 6:30 Jeffrey Verkuillen, Organ  
First United Methodist Church  
501 Howe St  
Green Bay, WI

19 (Wed) 12:15 Dr. Sheri Masiakowski, Organ  
Lunchtime Organ Recital Series  
St. Joseph Catholic Church  
404 W. Lawrence St  
Appleton, WI

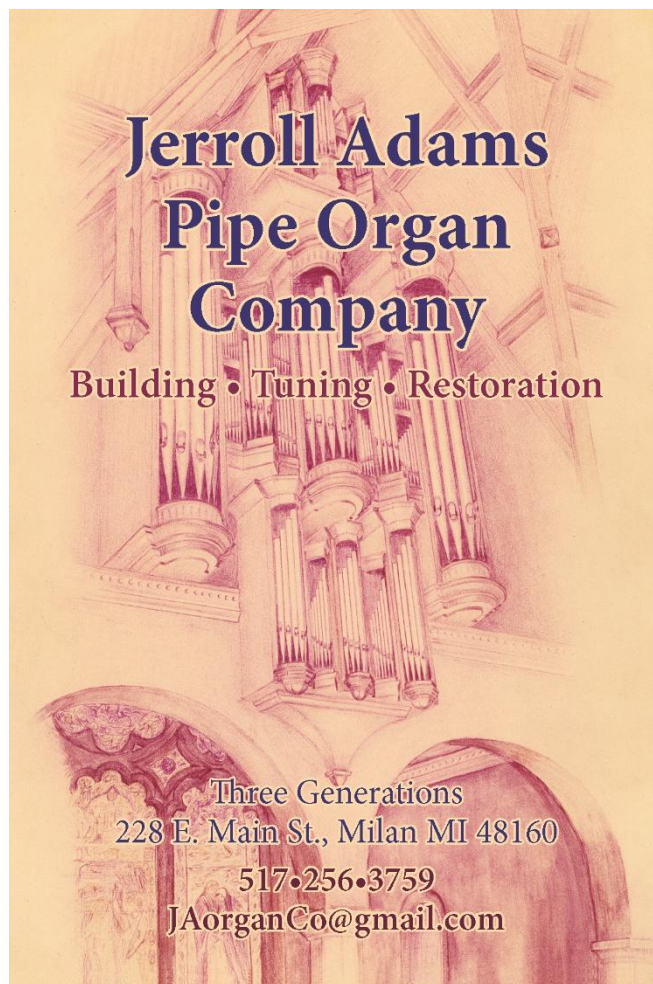
21 (Fri) 12:00 Kenzie Pauly  
St. John the XXIII Concert Series  
446 Johnson St  
Port Washington, WI

23 (Sun) 1:30 Karen Beaumont, Organ  
St. Hedwig's Church  
1702 N. Humboldt  
Milwaukee, WI

23 (3:00) Ben Dameron, Jazz Guitarist  
Brookfield Congregational, UCC  
16350 Gebhardt Rd  
Brookfield, WI

25 (Tues) 6:30 Dr. Stephen Ackert, Organ  
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral  
140 S. Monroe Ave  
Green Bay, WI

26 (Wed) 12:15 Dr. David Bohn, Organ  
Lunchtime Organ Recital Series  
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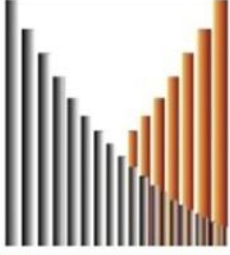
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# National News and Events:

## REGISTRATION OPEN FOR VIRTUAL PEDAGOGY CONFERENCE

Registration is now open for the second annual **AGO Virtual Pedagogy Conference, Oct. 8–10**. This year's theme is "The Organist's Toolkit," and programming will focus on lifelong learning and the teaching methods, technology integration, resources, and repertoire to inspire organists at every stage of their careers. [Click here to register](#).



## PART-TIME ORGANISTS AND SUBSTITUTES: TAKE PART IN NEW AGO SURVEY

Are you a weekend organist or professional sub? If so, we'd like to know more about you, your duties and responsibilities, professional relationships with your employers, and how the AGO can help you succeed. **Click these links to share your experiences and opinions in a short, confidential, and anonymous survey:** [Part-Time Organists](#) and [Substitute Organists](#).



## WOMAN COMPOSER SUNDAY COMPETITION SEEKS SHORT ORGAN, CHORAL WORKS

The AGO Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) Committee is accepting submissions for the 2027 Woman Composer Sunday Composition Contest. Categories include **short organ compositions for worship services and choral anthem based on a supplied text**. A young composer prize will also be awarded. **Click links for the 2027 [Guidelines](#) and [Application](#). Deadline is Aug. 15.**



# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

*Many of us still have a June 30/July 1 Renewal date for our membership.*

*Just a reminder that renewals are managed through the national office.*

*If you still need to renew your membership, you can renew your membership on the nation website, [www.agohq.org](http://www.agohq.org), or by calling.*

*[\(212\) 870-2310.](tel:(212)870-2310)*

*If you would like to make a donation to the Milwaukee Chapter, we ask that you use the Milwaukee Chapter website, [www.agomilwaukee.org](http://www.agomilwaukee.org).*



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## *AGO Regional Conventions in 2027*

**Little Rock, Ark.**

**June 7 – 10, 2027**

**Baltimore, Md.**

**June 28 – July 1, 2027**

## *AGO National Convention in 2028*

**Philadelphia, Penn.**

**July 9 – 13, 2028**

