



## JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2024

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*Deadline for the March / April 2024 Newsletter is February 15, 2024*

### NOTES FROM THE DEAN



Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone has had a wonderful, happy, and healthy holiday season. We are all about making the holidays beautiful for everyone else; my hope is that they were meaningful and beautiful for you too.

I'm so excited by the lineup of Chapter events coming up this winter and spring. Evelyn sent out an email from me (12/6) detailing the procedures for our music sale on January 6, so I won't repeat all that here. Pauleta has stepped up, offering to find a home for any of the leftover scores. Thank you so much, Pauleta, and thanks also to Lana Zoltowski and Leon Lake at First Pres ABQ for hosting this. Everyone is welcome to come, donate, and find new music treasures. Bring your friends, bring your students! And support our Chapter's Scholarship Fund generously!

Getting together and connecting with others have been common threads in comments to me from the Executive Committee and from members, so we are instituting a series of get togethers called Moveable Feasts to give people a way to come together. Stop by on your way home after the work week or before your evening activities. No agenda, just a time to relax with friends. We will rotate our meetings between the third Friday, Sunday, or Monday, and will sample a different pub each month.

After Easter we are going to host an Improvisation Workshop with our own James Yeager and we are working on another Members' Recital. And it is not too early to mark our calendars with the Fourth Reuter Organ Festival at the Cathedral of Saint John from July 7-14, 2024, featuring Raúl Prieto Ramírez, Käthe Wright Kaufman, Polyphony: Voices of New Mexico, and Stephen Tharp.

We have much to look forward to. Many blessings,

*Nancy (Granert)  
Dean*

## USEFUL CHAPTER EMAILS

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## PROGRAM INFORMATION – JANUARY / FEBRUARY

### Organ Music Sale and Reception – bring friends and students!

Saturday, January 6 at 3:00pm

First Presbyterian ABQ,  
215 Locust Street NE.

*Music drop-off to start at 1:30pm on the 6th. Titles will go for a \$1 donation, more if you can afford it (up to you.). Proceeds will go to the Chapter Scholarship Fund. Everything must go!*

### A Moveable Feast

Friday, January 19, 5:30-6:30pm or so

Thirsty Eye Brewing Company  
206 Broadway Blvd SE  
(Gold and Broadway)

### A Moveable Feast

Sunday, February 18, 5:30 to 6:30pm

Sixty Six Acres  
2400 12th Street NW  
(Near Indian Cultural Center. )

### Meet and Greet with Sheryl Sebo

Monday, February 26 at 5 pm

Homemade NM savories at 5pm followed by Sheryl's talk  
**AGO: NEW DIMENSIONS BOUND BY A STRONG FOUNDATION.**  
Come to meet and hear our SW Regional Councillor.

### A Moveable Feast

Monday, March 18, 5:30-6:30pm

B2B Garden Brewery  
8338 Comanche NE

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## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### St. Francis Episcopal Church

2903 Cabezon Blvd. SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124

[www.stfepiscopal.org](http://www.stfepiscopal.org)

St. Francis Episcopal is currently looking for a minister of music and an accompanist.

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## **Church Accompanist**

Looking for a proficient pianist to lead music on Sunday mornings for St. Francis Church (Rio Rancho). Sundays only, 9am-12noon. \$150/Sunday, 48 Sundays a year + Christmas and Easter. You would receive music 1 month ahead of time in order to prepare. The musician needs to be versatile in styles, able to improvise a little bit, and comfortable accompanying a singing congregation. They will play a variety of styles: classical, 19th c. hymns, popular music, American spirituals, and jazz. Most of all they need to have an inclusive heart (we are an LGBTQ affirming congregation), an open mind, and be self-motivated.

## **Church Minister of Music**

Looking for someone who is passionate about leading choral and congregational singing at St. Francis Church (Rio Rancho). This is a quarter-time position with a salary of \$13,000/yr. They will work Sundays, 9am-12noon, 1x/mo. staff meetings, and 1x/mo. meeting with the lead priest, as well as their own hours during the week selecting music and practicing. They need to have some knowledge of hymns and sacred music (but it need not be extensive). They will be in charge of planning and leading the hymns, solos, and choir pieces for the congregation, utilizing a diversity of styles: classical, 19th c. hymns, popular music, American spirituals, and jazz. They should be able to work with adults and also children and youth. Most importantly they need to have a passion for singing and leading song, an inclusive heart (we are an LGBTQ affirming congregation), flexible, able to collaborate, and self-motivated to find and learn new repertoire.

### **Contact Info: Father Alex Lenzo**

Email: [lenzoalexander@gmail.com](mailto:lenzoalexander@gmail.com)

St. Francis Episcopal Church  
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## **Holy Cross Lutheran Church,**

6901 Wyoming Boulevard NE,  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
<https://www.holycrossabq.org/>

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, a vibrant Christian community undergoing a redevelopment process, seeks a motivated and joyful person of faith to enrich our journey of renewal by leading the musical portions of our worship experiences, directing and accompanying a vocal choir, and equipping others to use their musical gifts for our life together. Holy Cross seeks someone with keyboard proficiency comfortable leading from both the piano and the organ.

Please send cover letter and resume to schedule an interview after the first of the year to Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6901 Wyoming Boulevard NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109, or digitally at [office@holycrossabq.org](mailto:office@holycrossabq.org).

### **Job Title: Music Minister**

**Reports To:** Congregational Council

**Supervisor:** Pastor

**Annual Salary:** \$13,000-15,600 (according to education and experience)

## **Primary Duties**

- Accompany weekly worship on Sundays at 9:30 am with a special focus on enabling congregational singing, incorporating the musical gifts of all people (including rehearsal time as needed), and seeking creative ways to incorporate young people into worship

- These same duties for special worship days such as Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Christmas Eve
- Four weeks including Sundays for vacation and two weeks including Sundays for continuing education of paid time off
- Direct, accompany, and rehearse with the vocal choir one evening per week for 90 minutes and Sundays 9 to 9:20 am during the school year
- Rehearse with Riverside Brass Ensemble 1 hour per week as needed
- Participate in worship planning with pastor and volunteers
- Demonstrate motivation and initiative through consistent collaboration with people and creative musical experiences for worship

## Qualifications

- A self-motivating person of faith who is excited about being on a journey of renewal with a congregation
- Keyboard proficiency being comfortable leading from both the piano and the organ
- Proficiency in directing, accompanying, and rehearsing with a vocal choir including selecting music

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## TGIF CONCERTS – FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SANTA FE

**Thank Goodness It's Friday!** (*Masks are optional.*)

Whether you're ending your week or starting your weekend, every Friday evening First Presbyterian Church invites our Santa Fe neighbors and visitors from all over the world to our sanctuary to enjoy a short concert (30-45 minutes) of music: organ, voice and piano, choral, chamber music, solo instrumental, jazz, and more.

If you would like to perform on the TGIF Concert Series, [please see our program submission requirements](#).

### January

5 — Atalaya String Quartet  
 12 — Johanna Hongell-Darsee and Scott Darsee, trad. Scandinavian & Celtic ballads & tales  
 19 — Veronica Mascaro, flute  
 26 — Black Mesa Brass Quintet

### February

2 — First Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir  
 9 — Santa Fe Flutes, Melissa Colgin Abeln, director  
 16 — Santa Fe Music Teachers Association Student Showcase, Lauryn Bomse, organizer  
 23 — Margaret-Mary Sauppé, organ

### March

1 — Daniel Schwab, clarinet  
 8 — eternal Summer Symphony Orchestra  
 15 — High Desert Saxophone Quartet and Peggy Abbott  
 22 — Linda Raney, organ: Bach's Birthday  
 29 — First Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir (Good Friday)

*Friends of Cathedral Music Presents*



*February 4, 2024 | 3:00 PM*

# **CAMERATA DEL SOL *with* PIANIST, ALEJANDRO BARRAÑÓN**

**FEATURING MUSIC BY  
FLORENCE PRICE,  
JESSIE MONTGOMERY,  
& FRANCISCO MORA**



*Visit [www.fcmabq.org](http://www.fcmabq.org) for more information  
and to reserve tickets.*



## **(REMINDER) URGENT - NEW HQ DUES POLICY. DON'T BE LATE IN PAYING!**

The AGO national office has implemented a new policy concerning dues payment and their due date. As of now, there is **NO GRACE PERIOD** after the due date of your renewal. Memberships renew at the beginning of each month of the year, based on the member's date of joining the AGO or on July 1st, if the member was a member in 2014, when the ONCARD database system became effective.

The new policy **DOES NOT** provide for any grace period of paying dues beyond the renewal date. So, if you have a renewal date of July 1st and do not make your payment by that date, your membership will be cancelled approximately two weeks later. This pattern of processing will occur with every renewal date during the year. The AGO accepts payments by both credit cards and personal check.

You can pay your dues by credit card in two ways. First, you can go online into your ONCARD account, select **RENEW DUES AND SUBSCRIPTION**, and follow the prompts (you will be asked to confirm / update your membership profile). You can print a copy of the invoice and/or receipt (after the payment is processed). Second, you can call the AGO office at 1-212-870-2310 and pay your dues with a credit card over the phone. AGO staff can also help you with any ONCARD problem. **There will be a new computer system soon which requires all members to have an email address.**

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## **CHAPTER REMINDERS**

- Please check your contact info in the **Chapter Directory** on the website and let me know if it needs changing, including new job info as well as telephone and email info.
- If you need the password, please email me (members only access).
- If you wish to be on or off the Substitute List, please let me know as we are asked for info from time to time, and I refer enquirers to the website.
- The latest Chapter information is always on the website first, so look there for up-to-date info.

Thanks. Evelyn Henson [editor@agoabq.org](mailto:editor@agoabq.org)

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## **THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION #2401**

... a lively concert of music for organ and orchestra, in observance of the forty years of PIPEDREAMS in national syndication.

*January 1, 2024*



*Click on image to stream concert.*



## HAVE YOU USED THE CHAPTER WEBSITE LATELY?

The whole year's calendar is on the Calendar page (use Agenda tab). Please notify the webmaster ([editor@agoabq.org](mailto:editor@agoabq.org)) of events you would like to have advertised. Also, paid "Positions Vacant" or requests for volunteer musicians and singers can be advertised free of charge. Our website gets about 400 views per month. **NOTE:** our Facebook page has over 220 followers and can be used for posting notices about events, vacancies, etc. If you "Like" our page, you will receive new postings in your own News Feed.

### *Contact Us*

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The deadline for submissions for the next newsletter due to be published for January and February 2024, will be **February 15, 2024**. Please email news, articles, or photos, upcoming events or reports, plus any other website items to the Editor, Evelyn Henson, at [editor@agoabq.org](mailto:editor@agoabq.org) by December 15, 2023.

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### **AGO ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER**

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