



PIPE NOTES

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MANCHESTER, VERMONT ORGAN TOUR IS THE VERMONT AGO CHAPTER'S FEATURE EVENT IN OCTOBER

Our Vermont AGO Chapter's program committee has worked very hard to put together a splendid tour of three organs in the Manchester, Vermont area on Sunday, October 22 starting at 3:00 p.m. Please plan to attend and bring friends with you! You can enjoy the changing foliage in transit between churches as well as hearing the voices of three pipe organs that you may not have seen or heard.

Directions to the First Congregational Church in Manchester where the tour starts are as follows:

FROM THE NORTH TO THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

As you approach Manchester on Route 7A, look for Ye Olde Tavern on the right. Zion Episcopal Church, a white building, is also on the right just beyond, somewhat set back and easy to miss. Continue to the red First Baptist Church, also on the right with a distinctive tower and hard to miss. Continue through three roundabouts. The First Congregational Church is on the left. Turn left just before the church into the driveway and down back to park. This is somewhat obscured by trees so if you miss it continue along the front of the large, columned Equinox Inn on the right, turn and drive back along the other side of the green and back to the church. Just past the church turn right and down the driveway to park. There is a handicapped entrance in the back and in the front of the building.

FROM THE SOUTH TO THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Coming up Route 7A into Manchester watch for the large columned Equinox Inn on the left. Continue around the common and the white Congregational Church is on the right. Park either on the street or in the parking lot behind the church. The driveway is just past the church. There is a sign but it is partially obscured by trees. There is a handicapped entrance in the back and in the front of the building.

FROM THE WEST ON ROUTE 30 TO THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

When you come to the junction of Route 30 and Route 7A (and the red First Baptist Church is on your left) turn right, go through three roundabouts. The Congregational Church is on the left just before the white, columned Equinox Inn. There is parking on the street or go down the driveway just before the church and park in the back. There is a handicapped entrance in the back and in the front of the building. If you miss the church continue past the Equinox, turn and come up the other side of the common and the church is on the right, with a statue in front of it.

DIRECTIONS TO CONTINUE THE ORGAN TOUR

After the program at the First Congregational Church, turn right and proceed up Route 7A around the three roundabouts. Pass the red First Baptist Church on the left and park in the Zion Episcopal lot which is just past an establishment called Gringo Jack's. Walk back to the Baptist Church for the 4:00 p.m. program. Those not wanting to walk may park behind the Baptist Church next to the bank.

After the Baptist program, walk back to Zion Episcopal Church for the program by Christopher Lewis at about 4:45 p.m. This will be followed by refreshments.

The Eastern New York Chapter AGO has been invited, and they have expressed an interest in having dinner at the Equinox Inn. We shall ask the group about that while at the Congregational Church.

The Congregational Church's organist Linda Hueckel will play the 1959 three-manual M.P. Möller pipe organ. At the First Baptist Church organist Jeffrey Lineback will open with a hymn on the church's two-manual 1896 Johnson & Son organ known for its brightly stencilled facade pipes. Guest organist John Riddle will continue the program. At Zion Episcopal Church organist Christopher Lewis will play the church's 1930 two-manual M.P. Möller organ. Refreshments for all will follow the program.

COMING EVENTS

On **Sunday, October 1 at 4:00 p.m. Emory Fanning**, Professor Emeritus at Middlebury College, will celebrate his **50 (!) years at Middlebury** with a **recital** on the Gress-Miles organ (1971) in **Mead Chapel** on the **Middlebury College campus**. Music heard will be by the Couperins, Ernst, Bach, Brahms, Howells, and Dello Joio. And, Pianist Diana Fanning will join him for a performance of the original version (piano/organ) of Franck's "Prelude, Fugue and Variation". Free - all welcome!

On Sunday, October 22 the Chapter will tour three churches in Manchester and Manchester Center. At 3:00 p.m. we will hear the 1959 three-manual Möller organ at the First Congregational Church in Manchester. We will then proceed up Route 7A to Manchester Center to visit the First Baptist Church and its 1926 two-manual organ by Johnson & Son, known for its brightly stenciled facade pipes. From there walk to the Zion Episcopal Church to hear its 1930 two-manual Möller organ followed by refreshments.

TWO MUSIC DIRECTOR POSITIONS AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BURLINGTON

The First Baptist Church (ABC-USA) in Burlington, Vt. is seeking an experienced choral director to conduct the 15-20 voice adult Chancel Choir for worship services on Sunday mornings and rehearsals on Thursday evenings. The Chancel Choir sings for services beginning the Sunday after Labor Day continuing through mid-June with the summer off. Salary is competitive and negotiable based on experience.

The church is also looking for a Handbell Director.

First Baptist Church enthusiastically supports an active music program encompassing a Children's Choir, an Instrumental Ensemble, a Handbell Ensemble, an annual guest organ recital, and hosts outside musical groups. Applications are being accepted and resumes and inquiries should go to fbcv@gmail.com.

AVAILABILITY OF PIPE NOTES WILL CHANGE NOVEMBER 15, 2017

At our last Annual Meeting held June 25, 2017, we decided that the time has come to add a few options to the way our members receive the newsletter, **Pipe Notes**. Here are the options:

1) If you have an email address you can receive the newsletter either as an (a) email attachment OR (b) an internet link to the newsletter on our internet site: [vtago.org](http://www.vtago.org). For those of you who have never checked this link before you will find issues of **Pipe Notes** dating back to 2013 on the website. The link is <http://www.vtago.org/pipenotes/>

2) You can still choose to receive the newsletter via standard USPS mail which is the current method of availability. We are aware that some of you do not have internet access. We also know that some prefer not to deal with the internet, have difficulties printing out the newsletter, OR your internet access is extremely slow. If Esther Nui or Karen Miller does not hear from you, this will continue to be the way in which you receive the newsletter.

All our internet members have been sent an email already concerning this issue and Esther Nui is happy to report having received several responses to date. To those of you who have responded, your method of availability according to your preference will start with the September issue of **Pipe Notes**.

If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, please email Esther Nui at esthernui@gmail.com and let her know your preference.

Karen will continue her wonderful work as newsletter editor and **Pipe Notes** will continue to be made available to you. The method of availability has just added a few more options.

The deadline for newsletter entries will continue to be the 20th of the month and we hope to hear from as many of you as possible. If you decide at a later date that you would like to try receiving the newsletter either as an email attachment or an internet link, please contact esthernui@gmail.com.

We hope to report in the coming months that more of you with internet access have opted for the softcopy of the newsletter and that our postage expenses have been reduced. Thank you for your understanding.

Esther Nui

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the November issue of **Pipe Notes** will be October 20. What holiday organ events are happening in your area? Please send them in to share with our membership.