## Dear AGO Chapter,

Carolyn and I talked a couple of days ago, and decided to send out the latest news of members and their activities (I guess this will be short, given the way things are these days...)

- 1. Our recital featuring Mormon Tabernacle Organist Brian Mathias, scheduled for October at Central Lutheran Church, is being postponed, until the virus conditions are safer. Note that this is postponed, not canceled. Mr. Mathias is most eager to come to play for us.
- 2. Raney Close's daughter Katie graduated from The Oaks Christian Academy this spring, and will be attending New St. Andrew's College in Moscow, Idaho, where she will be studying organ. Her required text is Roger Davis' The Organist's Manual. This book has become quite expensive Raney wonders if anyone in the chapter would like to sell their used copy for \$50 or less. This would be such a big help to one of our own student organists! Thank you in advance!
- 3. Chapter generosity: Because this is a difficult year for all non-profits, we have decided to make our annual gift to AGO National \$200 instead of the usual \$100. National, and the Atlanta Chapter, suffered financially with the cancellation of the National Convention we can help them with our giving. Marlys has sent the check.
- 4. Officers: None of our current officers and board members have objected to serving another year, since arranging for elections became so difficult. Thank you to all who are willing to help this way.
- 5. Injured members: Both Carla Roland and Rose Dempsey are recovering at home from broken hips. Carla had surgery to repair hers; Rose had a replacement, as I understand it. We wish them well; right now it's probably not even a good idea to think about visiting them, but cards and phone calls are always great!
- 6. Listening/viewing opportunity: Kent Brocklebank reports that the noontime recitals in Salt Lake are continuing, and that we can watch them online on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at <u>11:00 a.m. our time</u>. Type in: tabernacle.org.concerts. These cannot be archived because of copyright issues, although I understand that the first one was, and is quite spectacular, so look for it.

- 7. Call your chapter friends if you need an organ to play for instance, Chris Nelson is practicing at Zion Lutheran Church these days, courtesy of Taylor Giese.
- 8. New organ: Speaking of Taylor, he is working on adding significantly to the organ at St. Francis Xavier Church, having gone to Lincoln City, OR, to acquire several additional ranks. It will be fun to watch the progress on this expansion.
- 9. Online services: Send me (Janet <u>frostbeige2@gmail.com</u>) if you have good links for your online services that you are playing we can send those out to folks so they can watch your service and hear your music!

I think this is all the news - please stay well and healthy - and call each other up - we need to keep in touch!