



THE WITNESS

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1610 PRINCE ST., CONWAY, ARKANSAS, 72034

New Organist Joining FUMC

We are happy to announce that a new organist has been hired at Conway First United Methodist Church.

Jason Pennington-Saugey, who comes to us most immediately from Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Little Rock, has accepted our position and will assume full responsibilities Wednesday, Aug. 4, with his first Sunday being Aug. 8.

"Jason was with us at Chancel Choir rehearsal and it was such a positive experience that I didn't want to waste a moment before inviting him to join our team," said Janet Gingerich, director of Music and Worship Ministries. "He has a remarkable resumé and is a wonderful musician. I know you will love working with him and getting to know him."

It has been three years since Betty Cohen retired as our long-time organist, and during this period several fabulous and generous individuals have helped us stay afloat," she added. "I know you join me in giving a giant shout-out to those people - in particular to Betty, David Crouse, Karen Horton and Jess Anthony. We couldn't have survived without you."

Jason is a 1988 graduate of Catholic High School for Boys in Little Rock, and earned a bachelor of arts in organ performance and classical studies, and a master of arts in German



Jason Pennington-Saugey

language and literature from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. He has also studied at Johannes Kepler Universität in Regensburg, Germany, and Pöpstliche Kirchenmusikschule, (Papal Church Music School), in Regensburg Germany.

He has taught music - including voice and piano -- in several places, such as Trinity Cathedral in Little Rock, St. Luke's Episcopal in North Little Rock, First United Methodist Church

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Trivia Night is BACK! (And, In Person!)

The Mission Committee sent out a survey to recent Trivia Night participants, and the response was overwhelmingly in favor of an in-person event this year. There will be some changes from past years to better ensure the health and safety of all involved (see below).

Registration is open NOW! Please, help support the missions of the church by participating in (or donating to) the 2021 Trivia Night!

Date: Friday, July 16

Time: 7 to 9 p.m.

Cost: Suggested donation of \$10 per person
(Payments will be accepted at the door.)



Team size: Maximum of 8 people per team. (Only ONE registration form is needed for each team.) Team "captains" can register their team with Tricia Burris (tburris@conwaycorp.net) or by using this QR Code.

Trivia questions will be directed toward ages 12 and up; however, you are welcome to fill your eight-member teams with whomever you choose (church members, Sunday School classes, family, friends, neighbors). Snacks and drinks will NOT be provided this year. Please, feel free to bring something with you, if needed. No peanut-products, please.

COVID Protocols

1. Masks will not be required for fully vaccinated participants.
2. No snacks will be served
3. Tables will be spaced at least eight feet apart.
4. Team size will be capped at eight people per table.
5. Childcare will not be provided onsite.

Questions: Email Tricia Burris (tburris@conwaycorp.net). Please put TRIVIA NIGHT in the subject line.

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in Little Rock, and the Dolly Hawthorne voice studio in Lafayette, La. He will continue to teach piano, organ, and voice after he takes on his duties as organist in Conway.

In addition to Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, where he was associate director of music and organist, Jason has also served as organist and choirmaster at St. Luke's Episcopal in North Little Rock, and as organist and director of music at both the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in New Iberia, and Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Lafayette, La.

If you would like to send a message of welcome to Jason, you may send it by postal mail to the church or email him at jason@conwayfumc.org.

In Honor and In Memory

In memory of Aleene Henson by: Lorlie March, Michael & Donna Harris, Skeet & Mary Jane Morse, Paul & Katherine Butt, Dorothy Robins Light Sunday School Class, Nancy Williams, Bruce & Barbara Sossamon

In memory of Brenda Collier by: Michael & Donna Harris, Paul & Katherine Butt, Dorothy Robins Light Sunday School Class, Bruce & Barbara Sossamon, Lee Holt

In memory of Greg Wren by: Tommy E. Hollowell

In memory of Derwin & Blanche Ball by: Mildred K. Huggins

In memory of Jimmy & Bonnie Wimberly by: Jerry & Cherry White

In memory of Sue Dodd by: Chris & Kathy Cooper

In memory of John Harris by: Chris & Kathy Cooper

In honor of Margaret Palmer & Larry Bassett by: Jamie Bird

In honor of Kish Jones by: Charles Pittman

In honor of Janet Gingerich & All FUMC Musicians by: Pam Wren

In honor of Janet Gingerich by: Louise Skiles

In honor of Betty Cohen by: Louise Skiles

In honor Linda Ball by: Louise Skiles

Pastor Michelle's Last Sunday at FUMC



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Sundays:

9:05 am in the Great Hall

8:30 am & 11 am in the
Sanctuary

Sunday School for all ages at 10 a.m.

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