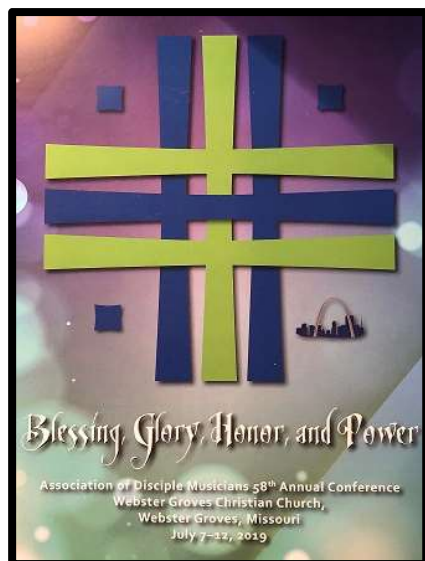




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**Looking Back to Webster Groves and the ADM 2019 Conference**



With a stellar group of clinicians, a wide variety of daily options, meaningful worship and other services, and a dedicated conference planning team, there were many inspirational moments during the conference upon which this year's attendees can reflect. (*top left*, a fine group of First-timers; *top right*, those who were Second-timers; *bottom left*, a gorgeous sanctuary for the organ recital; and *bottom right*, another meaningful sharing of Communion)

Our thanks go out to the 2019 Planning Team of Herb Buffington, Lisa Cripe, Sheryl Lane, and Claire Meredith for taking the ADM conference to the St. Louis area and for pulling together the expertise and talents of such outstanding clinicians. Once again the ADM annual conference has provided an all-encompassing time for church musicians, ministers, worship leaders, and laity in any denomination to gather, learn from the masters, share with each other, have fun, and return to their churches spirit-filled and ready to enhance worship services with new and workable ideas.



*Left to right: Herb, Lisa, Sheryl, and Claire*

### **A Message from Herb**

After working toward and eagerly anticipating the arrival of the 2019 Conference for about two years, it's hard to believe that our work is done, and it's all in the rearview mirror. It was an honor and a privilege to serve as your ADM Council President this last year! Through the hard work of the conference planning team and the entire council, whose tireless dedication both in the formative stages, and on-the-ground implementation, we were able to present a conference that by all accounts was a resounding success.

Many thanks to Worship Clinicians, Ron Allen and Linda McKiernan-Allen whose worship seminars, daily classes, and inspiring worship instructed us and led us deeper into the presence of God. I also extend a special word of thanks to the creative ADMers who decorated the worship space so beautifully and appropriately each day. To be able to work with Clinicians Mack Wilberg, Janette Fishell, Joel Raney, and Andra Moran was a real blessing; and the many top-notch option leaders, both from within our ranks and from the St. Louis community, added a real depth to the class offerings. And, last but by no means least, I would be remiss, if I did not acknowledge and offer our appreciation for the generosity and grace poured forth by the Pastor, staff, and congregants of Webster Groves Christian Church. Thanks to all of you, from the bottom of my heart.

But, the most important people of all were the nearly one hundred attendees without whose energy the week would have been a hollow shell. You all are cherished members of our ADM family, and you are the reason we do what we do. All my very best to you and yours, both personally, and in your work this coming liturgical calendar year. I so very much look forward to seeing all of you again at what I know will be a spectacular ADM Conference in Tulsa next summer!

With blessings and much appreciation,

Herb Buffington, Past-President



## **It's time to plan for ADM's 2020 Conference**



### **Greetings from Randy**

It is an honor to serve as Council President of the Association of Disciple Musicians. I have been a “hooked” ADMer since 1990. I think the “hook” was in making friendships that have lasted 30 years. ADM turns 60 years old in 2020, and I am blessed to have been a part of this organization for half of its life.

In addition to making friends, this organization has provided some incredible learning experiences. Top clinicians help me grow musically and spiritually. We have had some of the best ADM teachers and preachers from around the country. I’m very proud of the roster of clinicians my team (Katrina Cochran and Larry Sivis) has secured.

For those of you who were there, didn’t you have a great time in St. Louis? We have to thank Herb Buffington, Lisa Cripe, Sheryl Lane, and Claire Meredith for all their work in planning and presenting a fantastic conference!

Are you excited for next year? We need your help. You ask, “How can I help?” It’s easy. If each of you would commit to maintaining your ADM membership and activity or making the decision to become an active ADMer again and/or become a voice for ADM in spreading the word to your friends, colleagues, choir members, and handbell ringers in your own church or those from other denomination, we will grow.

Mark your calendars for July 26 through mid-day July 31, 2020 at the University of Tulsa. Come and meet, learn, and fellowship with Rev. Terri Hord Owens, Anton Armstrong, Tom Trenney, Tim Waugh, and Marcia McFee.

See you in Tulsa,

Randy Frieling, Council President



## 2020 Conference Clinicians



## Getting to know your ADM Council Members

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Randy Frieling, President (Mount Dora, FL)

Herb Buffington, Past-President (Atlanta, GA)

Katrina Cochran, President-elect (Hideaway, TX)

Larry Sivis (Ashland, KY)

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