## MATTHEW ALAN EDWARDS CHORAL EDUCATOR, ORGANIST, COMPOSER

Matthew Alan Edwards is an organist whose programs include infrequently-performed music as well as his own compositions. In April 2015, he visited Germany with the University of Alabama organ studio to study historical Bach organs. In the summer of 2016, he completed an internship with Parkey OrganBuilders. He has competed successfully in numerous competitions, winning third prize in the 2012 Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival and second prize in the 2013 University of Alabama Organ Scholarship Competition.

Matthew earned his Bachelor of Music (B.M.) in Organ Performance at the University of Alabama with Dr. Faythe Freese and graduated *Summa cum laude* with honors. In the fall of 2017, he will begin work on a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Secondary Choral Music Education. He is organist and choir director of St. Matthias Episcopal Church in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. For more information, to listen to his recordings, or to browse his sheet music store, visit MatthewAlanEdwards.com.