

# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH KOKOMO, INDIANA

*The Rev. Sharon C. Walker, Pastor • Mr. Thomas Dearchs, Minister of Music*

IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE that Christ Lutheran Church will again sponsor *Music at Christ*, a Fine Arts Series for the 2022-2023 season. This year will mark our sixteenth season of concerts! We sponsor this series to enrich the cultural life of the community by featuring outstanding performers and compositions which would not otherwise be heard locally. We believe that the best of music, along with the other arts, is a vital expression of humanity's aspiration toward the highest values, and an important channel through which the human spirit is fed.

We are pleased to offer a great variety of music in these concerts: music for piano, organ, violin, choir, flute and bassoon. We will offer four Advent Recitals and five Lenten Recitals this season. We invite you to our first concert of the season on Friday, September 30. Please join us!

In order to offer *Music at Christ*, we need the financial support of many interested persons, as these expenses are not covered by our regular church budget. We will be most grateful if you can make a donation, using the form located in this brochure.

Please mark your check with *Fine Arts Series Fund* on the memo line. In the programs, we will list the series donation levels: Angels (\$1,000 and up), Benefactors

(\$500-\$999), Patrons (\$100-\$499), Sustaining Contributors (\$50-\$99), and Donors (\$25-\$49). Smaller donations are, of course, welcome. All gifts are tax-deductible. In this way you can also cast your ballot in favor of our holding similar series in future years.

Announcements relating to weather emergencies or unexpected cancellations will be posted on the church's website: [www.christlutherankokomo.org](http://www.christlutherankokomo.org). We regret that we are unable to contact our benefactors on an individual basis when such changes occur.

Whether or not you can give, we hope to see you at many of the concerts!

Blessings,  
*Thomas Dearchs*  
Minister of Music

If you are mailing your gift, please address the envelope as follows:

*Music at Christ*  
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
FINE ARTS SERIES FUND 2022-2023  
3401 S. Dixon Road  
Kokomo, Indiana 46902

**FRIDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER**  
7:00 PM

Concert: **DUAL-ART**  
**TYLER KIVEL**, *Piano*  
**NICHOLAS SCHMELTER**, *Organ*

DUAL-ART, a collaboration between TYLER KIVEL and NICHOLAS SCHMELTER, has presented dozens of concerts since commencing a Midwest tour of piano-organ duo recitals on February 28, 2018. The ensemble has realized creative new orchestrations of selections by Anderson, Debussy, Grainger, Lutoslawski, Poulenc, Saint-Saëns, and Shostokovich. Among its goals, the duo aims to bring music to diverse demographics and rural communities, and to offer educational opportunities to collaborative artists and keyboard musicians. Chicagobased pianist TYLER KIVEL is an active soloist, freelance performer, teacher, and chamber musician, including musical direction of Thrones! The Musical Parody and organist of First Presbyterian Church of LaGrange (Illinois). Kivel has earned several competition-based awards and made his Carnegie Hall debut in April 2018. Please see below for biographical information about Nicholas Schmelter. *A reception will follow the concert.*

**FRIDAY, 4 NOVEMBER**  
7:00 PM

Concert: **NICHOLAS SCHMELTER**, *Organ*  
NICHOLAS SCHMELTER is director of worship and congregational life at First Presbyterian Church of Caro (Michigan) and has served as artist in residence at Trinity Episcopal Church (Bay City, Michigan) and Saint Paul's Episcopal Church (Flint, Michigan). Nicholas is a frequent recitalist, offering performances throughout Michigan as well as in Washington, D.C., Milwaukee, London and Toronto, Canada, and in Europe.  
*A reception will follow the concert.*

**WEDNESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER**  
12:10 PM

*Advent Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **TRENT WHISENANT**, *Organ*

**SUNDAY, 4 DECEMBER**  
3:00 PM

Christmas Concert: **IUK COUGAR CHOIR/HARMONICS**  
**WENDY GRICE**, *Director*  
**DEBBIE MYERS**, *Piano*  
THE COUGAR CHOIR is open to current students, faculty, and staff of Indiana University Kokomo (IUK). The choir also includes several faithful community members. There is no audition necessary. The choirs meet twice a week on the campus of IUK. There is one major performance at the end of each semester, and they often have several smaller performances on campus and around the community during the semester. HARMONICS is a select group of Cougar Choir members by audition only. This group represents IUK on campus and in the community.

**WEDNESDAY, 7 DECEMBER**  
12:10 PM

*Advent Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **CHASE LOOMER**, *Organ*

**WEDNESDAY, 14 DECEMBER**  
12:10 PM

*Advent Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **SARAH GRAN WILLIAMS**, *Organ*

**WEDNESDAY, 21 DECEMBER**  
12:10 PM

*Advent Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **BARBARA HOBBS**, *Piano*

**SATURDAY, 24 DECEMBER**  
7:00 PM

**CHRISTMAS EVE:** Festival Eucharist with hymns and anthems for congregation and choir. Pre-service music will begin one-half hour preceding the service and will feature **THE BACH TRIO**.

**WEDNESDAY, 1 MARCH**  
12:10 PM

*Lenten Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **NARA LEE**, *Organ*

**WEDNESDAY, 8 MARCH**  
12:10 PM

*Lenten Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **MATTHEW WACHTMAN**, *Organ*

**WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH**  
12:10 PM

*Lenten Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **VALENTINA HUANG**, *Organ*

**WEDNESDAY, 22 MARCH**  
12:10 PM

*Lenten Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **SHAYLA VAN HAL**, *Organ*

**WEDNESDAY, 29 MARCH**  
12:10 PM

*Lenten Recital Series*  
Lunchtime Concert: **JIHYE CHOI**, *Organ*

**SUNDAY, 9 APRIL**  
**TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED.**

**EASTER DAY:** Festival Eucharist with hymns and anthems for congregation, handbells, brass, and choir.

**SUNDAY, 7 MAY**  
3:00 PM

Concert: **AN AFTERNOON OF GOSPEL MUSIC**  
**MATT GERHARD**, *Organ & Piano*  
MATT GERHARD currently serves as Director of Music at Kokomo Zion United Methodist Church, Choral Assistant at Northwestern MS/HS, and teaches private piano. Matt earned a Bachelor's in Church Music from Olivet Nazarene University (2008) and a Master's in Choral Conducting (studying with Dr. Gary Bonner) from California Baptist University (2010).  
*A reception will follow the concert.*

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