

Celebration of Music Concert Series

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An outreach to the
church and community

2023 - 2024 Series





WELCOME

Greetings Music Friends,

At the heart of the Celebration of Music Concert Series are people who appreciate music and who wish to be connected with others in moving concert experiences. The 2022/2023 series was an amazing season with record attendance at each concert. We are profoundly thankful for the many new friends that were made as we enjoyed stellar concerts in a beautiful sacred space.

Concerts take place in the exquisite acoustical environment of the church sanctuary. Throughout the series the sounds of the church's musical instruments will also be heard as part of the tapestry of sounds. This includes the Letourneau pipe organ, the Steinway grand piano and the Zuckerman harpsichord.

We are deeply grateful for the generosity of many faithful concert goers. We begin the 2023/2024 series knowing that the support we receive is a gift that is enjoyed by many. Concerts are offered without ticket costs so that all may readily enjoy these special events. If you wish to make a freewill donation at a concert or if you wish to become a listed donor, please know that every single gift is appreciated and makes this series possible.

We look forward to greeting you at an upcoming concert in our new series which launches in September.

Dr. Darlene Kuperus

Artistic Director/Celebration of Music Concert Series
Music Director & Organist/Trinity Lutheran Church

Trinity Overlook Art Gallery

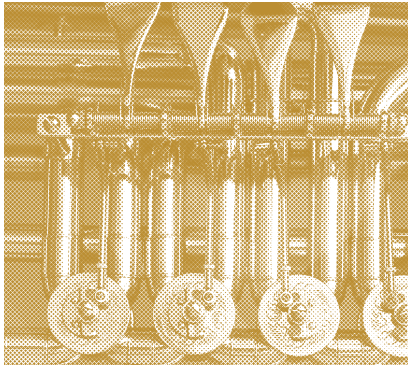
At each concert you are welcome to view the work of local artists as displayed in the Overlook Gallery. This rotating exhibit has artwork displayed for 2 months before a new artists work is featured. This gallery is in the long hallway which runs parallel to the church sanctuary. Come early to a concert or use the time during concert intermissions to renew your spirit as you enjoy this expression of art.

Connecting with the Celebration Concert Series

There are several ways you can be sure to stay informed about upcoming concerts! You can "like" the **Facebook** page of Trinity Lutheran Church. You can hear concert announcements on **Blue Lake Public Radio**. You can visit the church website: **tlcgr.org**. You can sign up for group **email notifications** by emailing Artistic Director: Darlene.kuperus@tlcgr.org

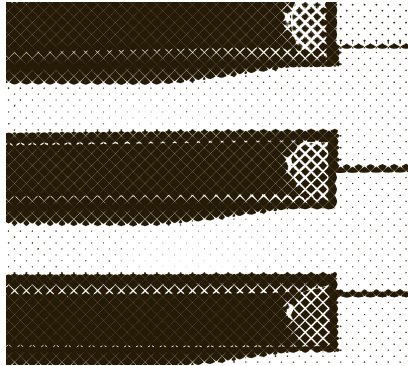
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Concerts



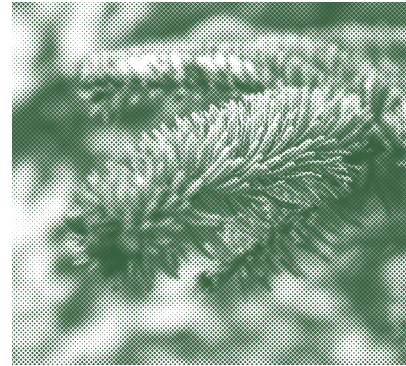
Sunday, September 24, 2023
3:00 pm
FANFARES + FLOURISHES:
Music for Brass + Pipe Organ

The fall season begins with an afternoon of energetic and evocative music for brass & pipe organ. A guest brass quintet will be joined by Trinity organist, Dr. Darlene Kuperus. The concert will feature music styles from majestic ceremonial music to beloved Beatles melodies and some Gershwin classics. From trumpet to tuba to organ pipes, the sanctuary will resonate with powerful sounds of these combined forces!



Sunday, October 29, 2023
3:00 pm
DEBORA DeWITT & COMPANY:
Music for duo grand pianos + viola solo and piano

Trinity's own Debora DeWitt presents duo repertoire with pianists Justin Colwell and Caleb Wenzel, and violist Libor Ondras. Enjoy music in many styles including a Brahms Sonata, and contemporary works by Philip Glass and Debora DeWitt. Other selections include works by Piazzolla, Dello Joio, and Bach.



Tuesday, December 19, 2023
7:30 pm
VOXMas: Christmas Choir Music
sung by VoxGR

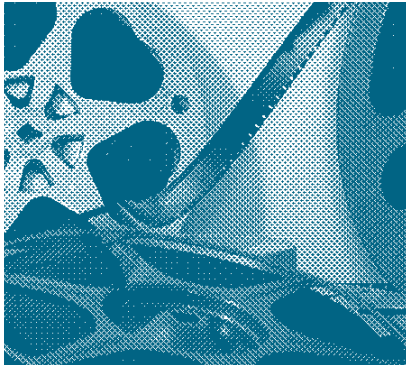
VoxGR has quickly gained an enormous following as one of Grand Rapids's finest chamber choirs. They are conducted by Dr. Christopher Mason. Enjoy VoxGR in a sparkling concert of Christmas music. The audience will also have an opportunity to sing Christmas carols with this stellar vocal ensemble, accompanied by the pipe organ in the sanctuary.



Sunday, January 28, 2024
3:00 pm
Voices of Extraordinary Youth:
Mandala, Bella Voce and Chamber Chorale

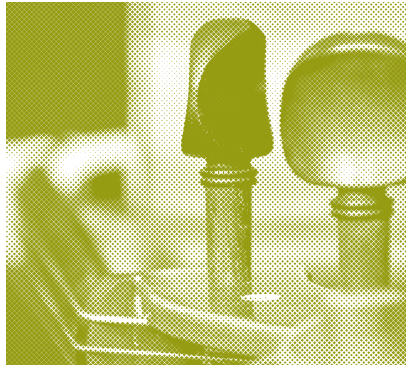
Mandala is an ambassador choir from the Grand Rapids Youth Chorus program. It is conducted by Leah Ivory and accompanied by Sean Ivory. This auditioned ensemble of high school girls will amaze you with their exquisite sound, and advanced musicianship and repertoire. They will be joined for several works on the program by 2 ensembles from Grand Rapids Christian High School, conducted by Candice Sytsma.

Concerts



Saturday, February 10, 2024
(Location: Centennial Hall)
2:00 pm
An Afternoon at the "Silent" movies:
an event for families, children and
the young at heart

Come and watch some short comedy classics with LIVE piano accompaniment by Robert Edwards, an expert in accompanying silent movies. Enjoy favorites such as Charlie Chaplin and the hilarious onscreen antics so popular in these silent films. Popcorn and movie candy will be provided. Be prepared to laugh and enjoy an afternoon at the movies.



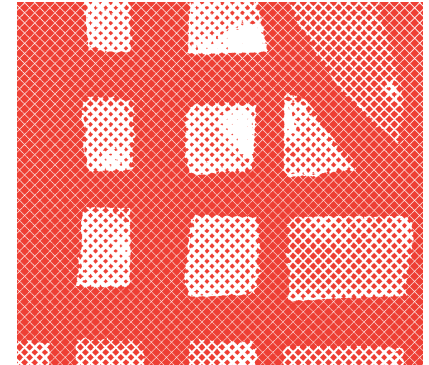
Sunday, March 3, 2024
3:00 pm
Karen Krummel, cello

Karen is a Trinity Lutheran Church member and former member of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra. Her musical career has been broad and varied. She frequently performs worship services and concerts at Trinity. Karen will present a chamber concert exploring the depth of exquisite music written for cello, piano and music composed for cello ensemble.



Monday, April 15, 2024
7:00 pm
Annamae Rotman Young Organist
Competition

This local competition is sponsored by the Grand Rapids Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. The 2023 competition was held at the Basilica of St. Adalbert and the 2024 event will be at Trinity Lutheran Church on the 3-manual Letourneau pipe organ. Enjoy the performance of young organists (ages 24 and under) as they compete for the generous prizes given by Dr. Richard Rotman.



Sunday, April 28, 2024
3:00 pm
Trinity Mosaic: Dr. Darlene Kuperus,
Organist & Pianist

A tapestry of colors fills the sanctuary of Trinity Lutheran Church in brilliant stained glass. The last concert in the 2023/2024 series celebrates a mosaic of musical colors, sounds and textures. This concert explores music composed for instruments or voice accompanied by the pipe organ or piano. The series ends with a grand celebration of music and musicians with ties to Trinity Lutheran Church.

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