

# Chapel and Organ Dedication Service



Luther Preparatory School Chapel  
September 18, 2016 - 2:30 pm

# *Welcome to Our Refurbished Chapel*

Three years ago some faculty members discussed the unacceptable conditions of our chapel ambo and altar. The worn out pews had needed to be replaced for more than a decade. The flooring was old. The stained glass windows were in need of repair.

Two years ago Luther Prep was given the privilege of working hand in hand with WELS Ministry of Christian Giving in preparation for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ministerial education on the synod's Watertown campus. During the fiscal year 2014-2015 God's people in WELS gave gospel motivated gifts to LPS totaling almost \$700,00, of which \$350,000 was designated for the chapel refurbishment project.

Today we see the results of those gifts in the new baptistry, new flooring, new pews, and new chancel furnishings. The chancel area was also enlarged and the stained glass windows were repaired.

In this refurbished chapel "we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord" (Psalm 78:4) that they in turn might proclaim the name of the Savior to the generations to come.

Two years ago it was determined that our organ was in need of major repair (\$200,000+). Our 1963 Schlicker organ also never met the spatial needs when the chapel was expanded in 1995 to include the balcony and area below it. Dr. Edward Meyer graciously agreed to serve as the LPS organ consultant. The LPS Governing Board recognized the need not only to repair the instrument, but significantly enhance it as well. LPS received permission from WELS Synodical Council to overspend its approved budget by \$500,000 in 2015-2016, with the prayer to God that gifts would be gathered to cover this great expense. Only \$25,000 of that total amount remains.

Today we gather together with grateful hearts to thank and praise the God of our salvation for this house of worship from which the Savior's name will be proclaimed, the song of salvation will be sung, and young people will be encouraged toward ministry. This chapel continues to be the heartbeat of Luther Prep's life.

Thank you for joining us today, for supporting our Chapel/Organ Fund, and in so many ways encouraging the students of Luther Prep toward ministry. The students and faculty of LPS are grateful to God for his blessings that have come through you.

*Soli Deo Gloria*

President Matt Crass

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## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

## Prelude and Fugue in Eb, BWV 552

*J. S. Bach*

## HYMN

## God Himself Is Present

*arr. Max Drischner*

God himself is present—let us now adore him and with awe appear before him.  
God is in his temple—all within keep silence, humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence.  
He alone on his throne is our God and Savior; praise his name forever!

God himself is present—hear the harps resounding; see the hosts the throne surrounding  
“Holy, holy, holy”—hear the hymn ascending, songs of saints and angels blending.  
Bow your ear to us here: Hear, O Christ, the praises that your Church now raises.

Fount of ev'ry blessing, purify my spirit, trusting only in your merit.  
Like the holy angels, worshipping before you, may I ceaselessly adore you.  
Let your will ever still rule your church terrestrial as the hosts celestial.

*Stand*

## GREETING

**M:** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** Brothers and sisters in Christ: Today we seek God's blessings as we gather with thankfulness to set apart this chapel and organ to his glory. God has given to us the blessing of worship and the gift of music, and to him we sound our praise.

## DIALOGUE OF PRAISE

**M:** Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

**C:** **Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.**

M: Sing to the Lord, praise his name, proclaim his salvation day after day.

**C: The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.**

M: Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs and make music in your heart to the Lord.

**C: It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.**

M: Come, let us shout for joy to the Lord, let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

**C: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and power! Amen.**

*Be seated*

## PSALM 46

## God Is Our Refuge and Strength

*David M. Cherwien*

### *Introduction*

#### **REFRAIN**



The Lord of hosts is with us.



The God of Ja-cob is our strong-hold.

Choir

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

#### **Refrain**

Choir

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.

#### **Refrain**

Choir

Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, what awesome things he has done on earth.

It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;

He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

“Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

**Refrain**

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## **PRAYER**

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you dwell among angels who praise you continually. In your word and sacrament you proclaim your salvation to us. You open our mouths to sing salvation’s new song.

We praise you for giving us this chapel and organ which we dedicate to your glory alone. Enliven the proclamation of your Word and enrich the worship of your people as you prepare your Church on earth to sing your praises, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **DEDICATION OF THE FONT**

**LESSON**

**Revelation 7:9-17**

**Dedication**

**M:** We dedicate the baptistry and baptismal font in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Prayer**

**M:** O Lord our God, through baptism you wash away our sins and cause us to share in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In joyful obedience to your command, lead us to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

Baptized into your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
I claim a place, though weak and lowly, among your saints, your chosen host,  
Buried with Christ and dead to sin. Your Spirit now shall live within.

All that I am and love most dearly—receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely and help me your own child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own serve any will but yours alone.

## DEDICATION OF THE AMBO

LESSON

**Revelation 19:1-10**

### Dedication

M: We dedicate this ambo in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### Prayer

M: O Lord our God, richly bless us with your favor as your saving and merciful Word is proclaimed from this place. Give us faithful ministers to preach your Word with power, and help all who hear the Word to understand it rightly and truly believe it.

**C: Amen.**

Speak, O Savior; I am list'ning, as a servant to his lord.  
Let me show respect and honor to your holy, precious Word,  
That each day, my whole life through, I may serve and follow you.  
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure and my heart's most precious treasure.

As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me; let your words in me take root.  
May your Spirit e'er be near me that I bear abundant fruit.  
May I daily sing your praise, from my heart glad anthems raise,  
Till my highest praise is given in the endless joy of heaven.

## DEDICATION OF THE ORGAN

LESSON

**Revelation 5:6-14**

### Dedication

M: We dedicate this organ in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### Prayer

M: O Lord our God, you open our mouths to sing salvation's new song. We praise you for giving us this instrument of praise. Sanctify the art which awakens its harmonies in leading us to worship you.

**C: Amen.**

Lift up the voice and strike the string, let all glad sounds of music ring in God's high praises blended.  
Christ will be with me all the way, today, tomorrow, ev'ry day till trav'ling days are ended.  
Sing out, ring out triumph glorious, O victorious chosen nation; praise the God of your salvation.

## DEDICATION OF THE ALTAR

LESSON

**2 Chronicles 29:25-30**

### Dedication

M: We dedicate this altar in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### Prayer

M: O Lord our God, accept our sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving for the gift of your Son, Jesus, and his atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. May the proclamation of forgiveness flow from this altar to penitent sinners.

C: **Amen.**

## HYMN

### **The Church's One Foundation**

*intonation by David Cherwien  
brass arrangement by Vaclav Nelhybel*

*Stand for the final stanza.*

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the Word.  
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth; her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

The Church shall never perish. Her dear Lord, to defend, to guide, sustain, and cherish is with her to the end.  
Though there be those that hate her and strive to see her fail, against both foe and traitor she ever shall prevail.

Though with a scornful wonder the world sees her oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war she waits the consummation of peace forevermore  
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

## SERMON

**Psalm 100**

Worship the Lord in This Wondrous Chapel

- 1) His Promises Are Sure
- 2) His Faithfulness Continues

## OFFERING

**Rhapsody in Db**

*Herbert Howells*

*Today's dedication offering is designated for the remaining balance of the Organ Fund.*

## ANTHEM

## O How Glorious Is the Kingdom

*Philip W. J. Stopford*

O how glorious is the kingdom wherein all the saints rejoice with Christ.  
Clothed in white robes they follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.  
O how glorious is the kingdom wherein all the saints rejoice with Christ!

*Stand*

## PRAYER

M: O Lord, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth! You have made us, and you still preserve us with everything we need to nourish our bodies and bring joy to our souls.

**C: You do this as our gracious Father in heaven by your goodness and love.**

M: O Lord, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth! You have freed us from the curse of sin, the sting of death, and slavery to the devil.

**C: You made us your own through Christ, our Savior, that we may serve you with joyful hearts.**

M: O Lord, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth! You have united us into one family of believers and kept us in the one truth faith.

**C: Bless our Wisconsin Synod and all those who trust in Jesus for salvation.**

M: Holy and righteous God, as we dedicate this chapel and organ, we thank you that you have provided places and opportunities for worship on this campus since 1865. We praise you for nourishing the faith of thousands and for equipping them to teach and preach your holy Word.

**C: We praise you for your grace to us and to our synod through these messengers of your Word.**

M: Holy and mighty God, on this day of dedication, we praise you for the wonderful ministry of Luther Preparatory School. Strengthen and uphold all who teach and serve here. Give them wisdom for their task and humility in their callings. Bless all who learn, that they may apply themselves diligently to their work. Keep them mindful of your love for them and for all people, as they prepare themselves to be your witnesses.

**C: May the Word which is proclaimed in this chapel strengthen them for the blessed work of teaching and preaching your saving Word throughout the world.**

M: Eternal and most high God, the heavens cannot contain you, yet you are willing to make your home in human hearts. Thank you for the gift of those who have refurbished this house of prayer and its organ to your glory.

**C: Bless the fellowship of those who will gather here. May all be filled with your joy and peace through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**



## BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen. (spoken)

*Be seated*

## CLOSING HYMN

## Jerusalem the Golden

THAXTED

arr. Richard Proulx

*Stand for the final stanza.*

Congregation 1. Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, with milk and hon - ey  
Choir 2. O sweet and bless - ed coun - try the home of God's e -  
Congregation 3. The Christ is ev - er with them, the day - light is se -  
blest; the sight of it re - fresh - es the wea - ry and op -  
lect, O sweet and bless - ed coun - try that ea - ger hearts ex -  
rene, the pas - tures of the bless - ed are ev - er rich and  
pressed; I know not, oh, I know not what joys a - wait us  
pect, Where they who with their Lead - er have con - quered in the  
green, There is the throne of Da - vid; and there from care re -  
there, what ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, what bliss be - yond com -  
fight for - ev - er and for - ev - er are clad in robes of  
leased, the shout of them that tri - umph, the song of them that  
pare! To sing the hymn un - end - ing with all the mar - tyr  
white. Je - sus, in mer - cy bring us to that dear land of  
feast; To God en - throned in glo - ry the Church's voic - es  
throng, a - midst the halls of Zi - on re - sound - ing full with song,  
rest where sings the host of heav - en your glo - rious name to bless,  
blend, the Lamb for - ev - er bless - ed, the Light that knows no end.

## RECOGNITION

Dr. Edward Meyer, Organ Consultant  
Mrs. Antoinette Massmann, Chapel Designer  
Pastor Aaron Christie, Chapel Consultant  
Mr. Brian Berghaus, Organ Builder  
Mr. Kelly Monette, Organ Project Manager  
Mr. Matthew Staude, Chancel Furnishings Builder  
Pastor Kurt Lueneburg, Director of WELS Ministry of Christian Giving  
Mr. Steven Strucely, LPS Chapel Committee Chairman  
Mrs. Bethel Zabell, LPS Organ Teacher for 44 years

## POSTLUDE

### **Toccata in F from Organ Symphony #5**

*C. M. Widor*

### ***Soli Deo Gloria***

The Luther Preparatory School family is pleased to have you as our guest today.  
Weather permitting, light refreshments will be served outside of the chapel.

### ***Service Participants***

#### ***Presiding Minister***

*Professor Peter E. Kiecker*  
Luther Preparatory School

#### ***Preacher***

*President Matthew A. Crass*  
Luther Preparatory School

#### ***Organist***

*Rev. Aaron L. Christie*  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Waukesha, Wisconsin

#### ***Choir Director and Accompanist***

*Professor Randy P. Bode*  
Luther Preparatory School

#### ***Choir***

*The Prep Singers*

#### ***Brass***

*Trumpet: Josiah Loersch, Matthew Scharp, Josiah Winkel, Mason Zuehlke*  
*Horn: Josephine Bieberitz, Marcus Sims*  
*Trombone: Benjamin Hillmer, Carly Hirsch, Lucas Martin, Josiah Mittelstadt*

*Cover photography is by Professor Carl Hochmuth.*

As part of the planned chapel renovations, in 2015 Luther Preparatory School selected Berghaus Pipe Organ Builders to build a new organ based on the existing resources of the existing Schlicker instrument.

The new Berghaus organ at Luther is comprised of two manuals, 33 stops, and 33 ranks. Flanking the chancel with casework constructed of red oak, the polished tin façade features pipes from the Great and Pedal principals. Tonal resources were selected to create a pipe organ that accompanies chapel services, but also serves as a flexible teaching instrument for the many organ students at the school. Pipe resources consist of existing ranks from the former Schlicker, new pipes, and vintage sources from Berghaus stock.

The Great, located on the left side of the chancel, is built on the foundation of a new 8' Principal, features a variety of flute, string, and reed colors, and is crowned by a five-rank mixture. A fiery 8' Trumpet can be used in chorus or solo roles.

Located on the right side of the chancel, the Swell division is comprised of a full set of mutations, a secondary principal chorus, and reeds at 16' and 8' pitch. The Pedal is located on the left side with the Great and contains a wide variety of resources for manual-pedal balance, plus a full length 16' Posaune, made of pine.

The rocker-tablet console is also constructed of red oak with a mahogany interior and tracker touch manual keyboards with white resin naturals and black sharps and maple pedal key naturals with black-capped sharps. The organ is controlled by a Peterson ICS-4000 combination action, which features 256 levels of memory, record/playback, transposer, and customizable crescendo and sforzando functions.

Berghaus Pipe Organ Builders wishes to thank the following individuals for their support during the project:

Matthew Crass, President  
Steven Strucely, Business Manager  
Professor Randy Bode, Director of Music  
Pastor Aaron Christie, Chapel Consultant  
Dr. Edward Meyer, Organ Consultant  
Antoinette Massmann, Massmann Studios  
Mike Vesper, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds  
Student Volunteers

Berghaus Pipe Organ Builders Staff:

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Joseph Poland, Service Manager  
Ron Skibbe, Organ Builder  
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SPECIFICATION:

<b>GREAT – unenclosed – Manual I</b>			
<i>9 stops, 13 ranks, 842 pipes.</i>			
Quintade	16'	61	pipes; 1-12 vintage, 13-61 existing
Principal	8'	61	pipes, new, façade
Salicional	8'	61	pipes, existing
Rohrflöte	8'	61	pipes, vintage
Octave	4'	61	pipes, existing
Offenflöte	4'	61	pipes, vintage
Waldflöte	2'	61	pipes, existing
Mixtur IV-V	1 1/3'	293	pipes, existing
Trumpet	8'	61	pipes, vintage
Cromorne	8'	61	pipes, vintage
Tremulant			

<b>SWELL – enclosed – Manual II</b>			
<i>13 stops, 14 ranks, 854 pipes.</i>			
Gedackt	8'	61	pipes, existing
Viola da Gamba	8'	61	pipes, vintage
Viola Celeste CC	8'	61	pipes, vintage
Geigen Principal	4'	61	pipes, vintage
Rohrflöte	4'	61	pipes, existing
Nasard	2 2/3'	61	pipes, new
Principal	2'	61	pipes, existing
Terz TC	1 3/5'	49	pipes, existing
Larigot	1 1/3'	61	pipes, existing
Scharf III	1'	183	pipes, new
Kontra Fagott	16'	61	pipes, 1-32 existing, 33-61 new
Fagott	8'	12	pipes (ext. of 16')
Schalmei	8'	61	pipes, existing
Tremulant			

<b>PEDAL – unenclosed</b>			
<i>11 stops, 6 ranks, 236 pipes.</i>			
Contrabass	16'	32	pipes, new, facade
Subbass	16'	32	pipes, existing
Quintade	16'	---	(GT)
Offenbass	8'	32	pipes, new
Gedackt	8'	12	pipes, existing (ext. of 16' Subbass)
Choralbass	4'	32	pipes, existing
Mixtur II	2 2/3'	64	pipes, existing
Posaune	16'	32	pipes, new
Fagott	16'	---	(SW)
Fagott	8'	---	(SW)
Cromorne	4'	---	(GT)

SUMMARY

	Stops	Ranks	Pipes
<b>Great</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>842</b>
<b>Swell</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>854</b>
<b>Pedal</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1,932</b>