

Chad Pittman Organist



Friday August 26, 2022 7:00 pm

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
MASSILLON, OHIO

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Carillon Prelude from the Tower
PROGRAM
Herald March
Elevation
Prelude, Fugue & Chaconne in C MajorDietrich Buxtehude
Hymn: How Great Thou Art#856
Variations on How Great Thou Art. I. Meditation II. Trio III. Reflective Prayer IV. Majestic March V. Pastorale VI. Trumpet Tune VII. Finale
Intermission - Free Will Offering*
The Peace May Be Exchanged from Rubrics
Phoenix Processional.
MeditationKen Yukl
Chorale in B Minor
Crown ImperialWilliam Walton



ABOUT THE ARTIST

Chad E. Pittman is a full-time musician-conductor, educator and organist-who believes in the amazing transformational power of music. Active as a presenter and clinician in the greater Ohio choral community and beyond, he is the newly appointed Director of Choruses for the Canton Symphony Orchestra, where he prepares the singers for solo choral events, Major Work concerts with the orchestra, the annual Holiday Pops; and frequently collaborates with the educational outreach department.

Now in his ninth year of teaching, Chad is also Director of Choirs for Northwest High School, in Stark County, where he administers an active choral program of seven choirs, serves as Music Director of the annual musical, assists at Northwest Middle School, and directs the Chorale, Men's Chorus, Women's Chorus, Northwest Singers and acapella ensembles, Kokopelli Scholars and the A CaFellas. Choirs under his direction consistently earn superior ratings at contest and competition events and are frequently called upon to perform for community collaboration concerts with local, national and international artists and performing groups, and special conference sessions of the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) and the American Choral Director's Association (ACDA). In 2019, his program received an unprecedented set of four separate invitations to perform for the annual OMEA Professional Development Conference, setting the state record for most ensembles selected to perform in one year. Chad's choirs also received invitations to perform for OMEA in 2016 and 2021, and the Ohio Chapter of the ACDA in 2015.

Chad serves as Director of Music and Organist for St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Massillon, where he leads the adult and children's choirs, facilitates a weekly program of guest artists in worship, and coordinates Cathedral Concerts in the Evening, the church's newly established professional concert series. Performers have included Two Men and a Bench organ duo, the Capital University Chapel Choir, A Chorus for a Cause of Canton, the University of Michigan Men's Glee Club, Malone University Choral Program, and Hector Olivera, internationally acclaimed concert organist. This season's offerings include Chad Pittman solo organ concert, Isabelle Demers, internationally acclaimed concert organist, the Paderewski Duo-Wanda Sobieska, violin and Chad Pittman, organ/piano; the Ohio State University Choral program with Northwest High School Choirs, the Julliard String quartet, Daniel Roth, internationally acclaimed concert organist of St. Sulpice Church in Paris, Harmony Ringers of A Chorus for a Cause, and Two Men and a Bench organ duo.

Chad is co-founder of *Two Men and a Bench*, a traveling organ duo, with duet partner Mark Thewes. Since 2013, the two have presented concerts in churches and concert halls across the country, including the *Washington National Cathedral* (Washington D.C.), *Methuen Memorial Music Hall* (Methuen, MA), the *Church of Bethesda By the Sea* (Palm Beach, FL), and *Trinity Episcopal Cathedral* (Pittsburgh, PA). They have premiered countless new works for various concert and worship service events. He is also active in the *Paderewski Duo*, a collaboration with violinist, Wanda Sobieska.

As a private teacher of organ, piano and voice, Chad's students consistently earn superior ratings at local adjudicated events and place in scholarship events. Most recently, two of his private organ students took first and second in the *American Guild of Organists, Akron Chapter's* scholarship competition.

Born in Durham, North Carolina and raised in northeast Ohio, Chad is currently a doctoral student in Music Education at Kent State University and studies in the summer Choral Conducting program at Michigan State University. He holds the Master of Educational Administration from Cleveland State University and a Bachelor of Music Education and Organ from the Baldwin Wallace University Conservatory of Music. He is active as an adjudicator in *OMEA* and holds memberships in the *National Association for Music Education*, the *American Guild of Organists*, the *American Choral Director's Association*, and the *Association of Lutheran Musicians*.

When not making music or spending time with his amazing students, church family and colleagues, he enjoys traveling, camping, collecting old/vintage vacuum cleaners, and spending time with his many cats.

Cathedral Concerts

— IN THE EVENING —

CONCERT SEASON 2022-2023

Chad Pittman Organ Concert August 26, 2022 • 7:00 pm

Isabelle Demers, Internationally Acclaimed Concert Organist September 25, 2022 • 5:00 pm

Paderewski Duo: Wanda Sobieska, violin and Chad Pittman, organ and piano October 30, 2022 • 5:00 pm

Ohio State University Men's and Women's Glee Club Choirs with Northwest High School Choirs November 20, 2022 • 4:00 pm

Caroline Oltmanns, Internationally Renowned Pianist February, 2023 • TBA

Daniel Roth, World Renowned organist of St. Sulpice Cathedral in Paris March 12, 2023 • 5:00 pm

Harmony Ringers of A Chorus for a Cause April 23, 2023 • 6:30 pm

Two Men and a Bench Organ Duo: Chad Pittman and Mark Thewes May 19, 2023 • 7:00 pm









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Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM Jazz/Gospel Worship and Liturgy: September 25, 2022