

Cathedral Concerts

— AT ST. PAUL'S —

James Kibbie, organist

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Massillon, Ohio

Sunday, October 6, 2024

4:00 pm



Photo by John Beresford

James Kibbie, Professor Emeritus at the University of Michigan and world-renowned organist.



Germany: “James Kibbie plays with consummate clarity, brilliance and grandeur. His technically perfect performance reveals the compositional structure and an intuitive emotional penetration of the music.”—*Ars Organi*

France: “He unfolded a torrential virtuosity, revealed in a storm of light.”—*Le Monde*

Czech Republic: “Kibbie displayed flawless, brilliant technique, unfailing memory, and outstanding musicianship.”—*Hudebni rozhledy*

England: “Music does communicate, and never more so than when it is played with the impulse and eloquence Dr. Kibbie commands.”—*Musical Times*

USA: “Kibbie’s performances are persuasive. His registrations are colorful and effective, he roars through the most complex passages with dazzling facility, and he articulates the rhythmic excitement of the music with a wonderful flexibility and clarity.”—*American Record Guide*

Program



Prelude and Fugue in E Major, BWV 566*

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

From the *Schübler Chorales**

Bach

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

Meine Seele erhebt den Herren, BWV 648

Kommst du nun, Jesu, vom Himmel herunter auf Erden, BWV 650

Fantasia in F Minor, K. 608

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-1791)

- Intermission -

Go Down, Moses

Fela Sowande
(1905-1987)

Two Pieces

Florence Price
(1887-1953)

The Hour Glass (Sandman)

Retrospection (An Elf on a Moonbeam)

Sine Nomine

John Weaver
(1937-2021)

From *Symphonie VI*, Op. 59

Louis Vierne
(1870-1939)

Aria

Final

*Recorded by James Kibbie for Block M Records



Welcome to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



Dear Friends in Christ,

We are delighted to extend to you a warm welcome to our Cathedral Concert today. It is our pleasure to invite you to join us for an evening of inspiring music and community fellowship.

Our concert series has become a cherished tradition in our community, in which we gather to celebrate the beauty of music and the unity it brings.

In addition to the concerts, we also invite you to join us for our Sunday Worship services. Our worship services provide an opportunity for us to come together in faith, togetherness, and spiritual growth. We meet for worship every Sunday at 10 am, and your presence would be a meaningful addition to our congregation.

We are excited about the potential for a deeper connection between our two spiritual communities and look forward to sharing these meaningful experiences with you. We hope you will find inspiration, solace, and joy in both the Cathedral Concerts and our

worship services.

For more information, please visit our website at stpaulsmassillon.org. Also, please feel free to contact me at revmkreemer@gmail.com or 330--864-7409. We hope you enjoy a wonderful afternoon of music, and we look forward to seeing you for worship.

With warm regards and anticipation,
Rev. Mark Kreemer
Senior Pastor



Welcome to this evening's musical offering as we present Dr. James Kibbie, Professor Emeritus at the University of Michigan to St. Paul's. It was an honor to learn from him during my graduate work; his interpretations of the music of Bach are among the very best! I hope you will plan to join us Thursday, November 7, at 7:00 pm when we host the Bowling Green State University Men's Chorus under the director of Dr. Richard Schnipke. They will be joined by a festival choir comprised of area high school tenor/bass choristers, and you won't want to miss their beautiful music!

May God give us faith to sing always,
Dr. Abigail Haake



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Upcoming Concert: Thursday, November 7, 7pm
BGSU Men's Chorus and Festival Choir



2024-2025 Concert Series