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St. Lorenz 175th Anniversary Hymn Festival

St. Lorenz Chamber Choir
Scott Hyslop and Betty Auernhamer, organists
Steve Starke, narrator



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Four new pieces and a virtual compilation of favorites from previous years.



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Jeffrey Walker, Harpsichord

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St. Lorenz Lutheran Church

Jeffrey Walker holds degrees in organ performance from the Oberlin College Conservatory and the Eastman School of Music, and is a past winner of the prestigious American Guild of Organists National Competition.

He enjoyed a distinguished career as a church musician including eighteen years as Organist and Director of Music at the First Presbyterian Church of Flint, and ten years as Organist/Choirmaster at Christ Church Detroit where he conducted a semi-professional choir.

A former Director of the Windsor University and Symphony Choruses, he is currently Co-Director of the Flint Symphony Chorus. Last November he conducted the 32nd Annual Grand Blanc Community performance of Händel's *Messiah*, the first under the auspices of the newly formed Grand Blanc Choral Society. That performance will be televised in December.

He has played piano, organ, harpsichord, and celesta in the Flint Symphony Orchestra for more than twenty-five years, and has also performed in the Ann Arbor, Saginaw Bay, Lansing, Windsor, and Detroit Symphonies. He has been organ soloist for Saint-Saëns *Symphony No. 3* in Flint, Lansing, and Detroit.

His initial harpsichord study was at National Music Camp in Interlochen, Michigan, under the tutelage of George Lucktenberg. While at Oberlin he studied with Lisa Goode Crawford, a pupil of Gustav Leonhardt. In addition to numerous recitals, he has performed all of Bach's concertos for two, three, and four harpsichords, as well as most of the solo concertos, conducting from the keyboard. In recent years he has been in increasing demand as a continuo player including performances of Haydn's *Creation*, Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*, various *Suites* by Handel and Telemann, Handel's *Messiah*, as well as four of the Bach *Brandenburg Concertos*.

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Program

French Suite No. 5 in G Major Allemande Courante Sarabande Gavotte Bourrée Loure Gigue	Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Lobe den Herren Mvt. 2 BWV 137	
Six Sonatas A Major, K. 208 & 209 F Minor, K. 185 & 186 G Major, K. 152 & 153	Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)
O Lord, Whose Mercies Numberless from <i>Saul</i> HWV 53	George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)
Capriccio in F Major, HWV 481	
Their Land Brought Forth Frogs from <i>Israel in Egypt</i> HWV 54	
Tocatta in A Variations on "Est-ce Mars"	Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)
Passacaille	Louis Couperin (1626-1661)
Les Baricades Mistérieuses	François Couperin (1668-1733)
L'Egyptienne	Jean-Philippe Rameau (1683-1764)
Les Graces	Jacques Duphly (1715-1789)
Jupiter	Antoine Forqueray (1671-1745)

Participants:

Jeffrey Walker, Harpsichord
Scott M. Hyslop, Countertenor
Zeljko Milicevic, Violin
Nancy Chaklos, Cello

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So much to sing about! So much gratitude to express! Celebrated hymn writer Rev. Stephen P. Starke and guest director Dr. Brian Altevogt will guide us through a festival of hymns built around hymns that have a rich history with this congregation.

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This year marks the 70th anniversary of the Christmas at St. Lorenz concerts as well as the 175th anniversary of our congregation and community. In celebration of these two events, we will be presenting the world premiere of a new work for choir and orchestra written for us by a son of our congregation, Paul Loesel. Tune in and enjoy our musical offerings as we give thanks for the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ!

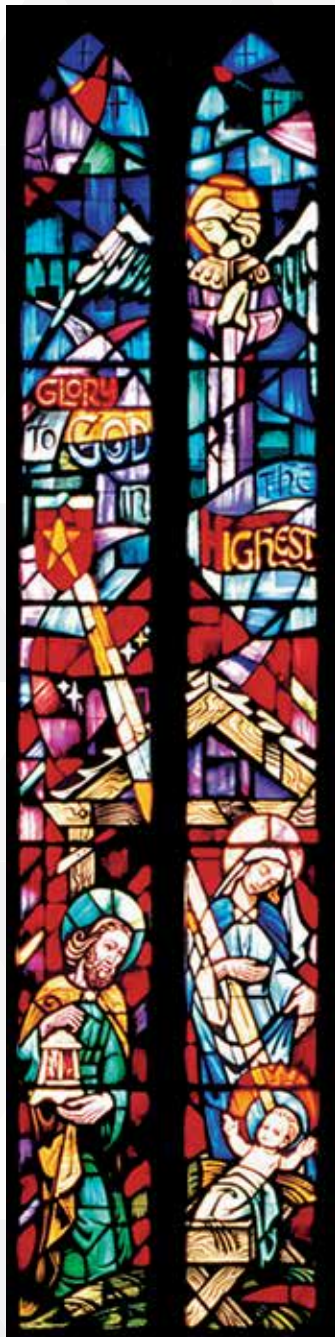
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Awarded the 2018 Mary Baker Prize in Organ Accompanying, von Behren served as organ scholar at Trinity Church on the Green in New Haven, Conn., under the direction of Walden Moore, working with the Trinity Choir of Men & Boys and Choir of Men & Girls. Prior to his appointment at Trinity on the Green, he served four years as organ scholar at Plymouth Church UCC in Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Von Behren is the first organist to receive the Cleveland Institute of Music's prestigious Darius Milhaud Award, given each year to a student "who displays qualities of unusual talent and creativity, sensitivity, expressiveness, strong love for and dedication to the musical arts, outstanding musical accomplishment, and evidence of academic excellence." He also was named one of *The Diapason's* "20 Under 30" Class of 2016. The winner of the Jack Kent Cooke Young Artist Award on National Public Radio's (NPR) *From the Top*, David's live radio performance has reached over half a million listeners.

A native of Falls City, Nebraska, von Behren actively advocates for introducing and exciting younger audiences about classical music. In 2013, he began "The Little Stars Summer Program," a music program for children in Falls City, in association with NPR's *From the Top* and The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation. As a recitalist, David continues to concertize extensively throughout the United States and Europe.

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