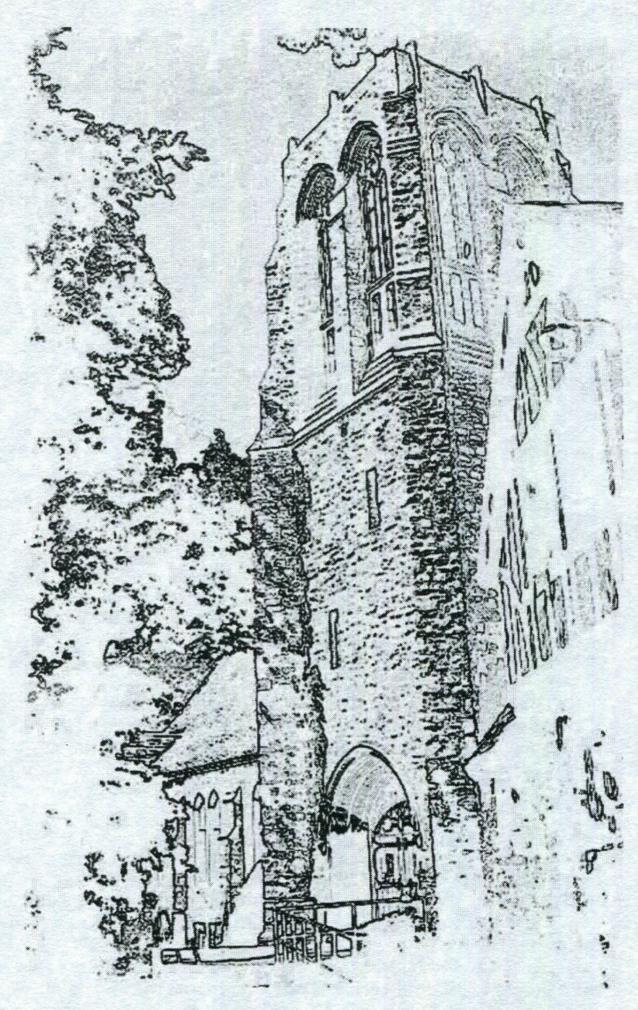
The Reformed Church of Poughkeepsie



Organ Dedicatory Recital May 23, 2004 4:00 p.m.

"Dutchess County's First Church - Organized 1716"

Ken Cowan Guest Artist

Chorale in E major

César Franck (1822-1890)

Scherzo, from Symphony No. 6, Op. 59 Louis Vierne (1870-1937) Clair de Lune, from *Pièces de Fantasie*, Op. 53, No. 5

Chromatic Fantasy and Fugue, BWV 903 J. S. Bach (1685-1933) arr. Max Reger (1873-1916)

Intermission

Valse Mignonne, Op. 142, No. 2 Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Sonata on the Ninety-Fourth Psalm Julius Reubke (1834-1858)

Grave-Larghetto

O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself. Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.

Allegro con fuoco

Lord, how long shall the wicked triumph? They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless. Yet they say: The Lord shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.

Adagio

Unless the Lord had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence. In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.

Allegro

But the Lord is my defense; and my God is the rock of my refuge. And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness.

Ken Cowan is one of the most sought-after young organists in North America. He has performed solo recitals across the United States and Canada, and has been featured at American Guild of Organists, the Organ Historical Society, and the Royal Canadian College of Organists conventions. Currently Mr. Cowan serves as Adjunct Assistant Professor of Organ at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, and is the Associate Organist and Artist in Residence at Saint Bartholomew's Church, New York City.

A native of Thorold, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Cowan received the Master's degree and Artist Diploma from the Yale Institute of Sacred Music, studying organ with Thomas Murray. Prior to attending Yale, he earned a Bachelor of Music degree from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia where he studied with John Weaver. Early studies were with his father, organist David Cowan, and with James Bigham in Buffalo,NY.

Mr. Cowan has won numerous awards, including first prizes at the Royal Canadian College of Organists National Competition and the Yale Institute of Sacred Music National Competition. He has also recorded a number of well-received compact discs.

This dedicatory recital on our new organ is being sponsored by John A. Davis, Jr., in loving memory of his late wife, DorothyAnn Davis. Though she was primarily known in the Hudson Valley as a splendid choral conductor, Mrs. Davis earned Bachelor and Masters degrees in organ performance from Westminster Choir College. Her principal organ teacher was Alexander McCurdy, and she studied for two summers with E. Power Biggs. After her retirement as Director of Music at Marist College, she sang in our choir for a number of years, and took part in the visits of the organ committee, during the search for our organ builder.

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The Central Hudson Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists invites everyone to attend the annual member's recital, to be given here on Sunday, June 13, at 4:00 p.m.

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We are most appreciative of the splendid relationship that we have with the Schantz Organ Company. The excellent work of Schantz Vice President and Tonal Director, Jeffrey Dexter, as well as the workmanship and interest of the installers, finishers, and all in the factory who had a part in building the new organ, continues to bring great satisfaction to all who are involved in this project and, indeed, to all who hear this instrument.

We owe a special word of thanks to the Schantz representative, Ronald C. Bishop, Jr., now emeritus, who worked with us through the entire four year undertaking. We are especially grateful to Ron and his wife, Emmy for providing the first year's tuning in memory of DorothyAnn Davis.

Everyone is invited to attend a reception, to be held downstairs in Fellowship Hall, following the concert.

The Reformed Church appreciates your continued support of its Organ Fund. Baskets will be found at all exits.

Schantz Organ, 2003

Great	Or	gan
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Choir Organ

16'	Violone	8'	Principal
8'	Open Diapason	8'	Major Flute
8'	Violone	8'	Stopped Diapason
8'	Bourdon	8'	Dulciana
4'	Octave	8'	Unda Maris
4'	Koppel Flute	4'	Octave
2 2/3'	Twelfth	4'	Concert Flute
2'	Fifteenth	2'	Gemshorn
1 1/3'	Mixture IV	1 1/3'	Larigot
8'	Trumpet	8'	Clarinet
8'	Tuba Major (Choir)	16'	Tuba Magna
Tremu	ılant	8'	Tuba Major
Chimes (digital)		4'	Tuba Clarion
		Tremu	lant
		Harp (digital)

Swell Organ

Pedal Organ

Zimbelstern

Lieblich Gedeckt Geigen Diapason Chimney Flute Salicional Voix Celeste Principal Traverse Flute Octavin Nasard Tierce Plein Jeu IV Bassoon Trumpet Oboe Vox Humana Clarion lant	32' 16' 16' 16' 16' 8' 8' 8' 8' 4' 4' 32' 16' 16' 8' 8' 8'	Contra Bourdon (digital) Open Diapason Bourdon Lieblich Bourdon (Swell) Violone (Great) Bourdon Violone (Great) Lieblich Bourdon (Swell) Octave Violone (Great) Choral Bass Open Flute Contra Trombone (digital) Trombone Bassoon (Swell) Octave Trombone Oboe (Swell) Tuba Major (Choir) Tuba Clarion (Choir)
	4'	Clarion
	4'	Oboe Clarion (Swell)
		oboc clarion (owen)

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The Reformed Church

Organized 1716

The Reformed Church of Poughkeepsie was organized in 1716. The present church is its fifth building, dedicated to the glory of God, January 7, 1923. Edwin C. Coon, in his book *Old First* (New York: The William-Frederick Press, 1967, p. 77), regards the Hooker Avenue property and sanctuary as "one of the most beautiful parish churches in America." Charles Collens, its architect, designed Union Seminary and The Cloisters of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, both in New York City, and the libraries of both Vassar and Williams Colleges. The Poughkeepsie Reformed Church is a church of the Reformed Church in America, formerly the Dutch Reformed Church, the oldest continuous denomination in the county, coming to New Amsterdam, now New York City, in 1628.

The Organ

The original three manual organ of this church was built by the Austin Organ Company in 1922. Known as the 'Baird Organ' after the organist Andrew Baird who served the church from 1923 to 1968, its pipes were set almost out of sight in a large chamber above the choir. In the first sermon preached in this church, the pastor, Dr. J. Addison Jones, explained: "It is not our organ that is the symbol of our faith, but the cross." That understanding of Christian worship remains unchanged.

The new three manual Schantz retains 9 of the original 23 sets of pipes. Dr. Davis who was responsible for the design of the Schantz describes the broad capabilities of the new organ: "This contemporary, eclectic American pipe organ enables the beauty of the widest range of music to be performed for both worship and concert purposes in an authentic and most artistic manner. The 45 ranks of pipes -- about 2652 total — provide a superb variety of sound to enhance our services, from hushed tones of reverence and awe to majestic peals of praise and exaltation."

The organ project was financed by the Building and Extension Loan Fund of the Reformed Church in America. Two-thirds of the amount needed to pay back the Fund has already been given and pledged. Your generosity toward the remaining third will be greatly appreciated.

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