

ORGAN DEDICATION

Hymn No. 9—"Praise Him, Praise Him"

Invocation Rev. P. J. Muyskens

Scripture

Dedication Service

PASTOR—Dearly beloved in the Lord: God, our heavenly Father, having in His grace, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord, brought to its consummation our work of preparing an Organ for His worship, and the honor of His Holy Name; with whose music the Triune God is to be praised and glorified; we are now gathered in His Holy presence for the purpose of dedicating it by a solemn act of worship to its proper use. I call upon you, therefore, to arise, and before the Lord to unite in this act of dedication, confessing first, devoutly, our holy faith.

CONGREGATION—Repeat the Apostles Creed (standing)

PASTOR—Holy, Blessed, and Glorious Trinity, three persons in one God,

CONGREGATION—To Thee we dedicate this Organ.

PASTOR—Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our Father who art in heaven,

CONGREGATION—To Thee we dedicate this Organ.

PASTOR—Son of God, the only begotten of the Father, Head of the body, which is the Church; Head over all things to the Church; Prophet, Priest, and King of Thy people,

CONGREGATION—To Thee we dedicate this Organ.

PASTOR—God, the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; given to be our abiding Teacher, Sanctifier, and Comforter; Lord and Giver of Life,

CONGREGATION—To Thee we dedicate this Organ.

Prayer of Dedication

"Almighty and everlasting God, who dwellest in the heavens surrounded by angels that worship Thee, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: we bless Thee that Thou also inhabitest the praises of Thy people here on earth. Accept, we beseech Thee, the sacrifice of praise which we bring Thee for all Thy mercies, especially for the gift of Thy Son, for the founding of Thy Church, for the fellowship of Thy saints, and for the joy of Thy service. We thank Thee that thou hast of Thy goodness given us this organ, which we this day desire to set apart for Thy service. Help us to use it that it may serve only to glorify Thy name and to edify Thy people. May it be sanctified as that awakens its harmonies, that we may at all times with our hearts and mouths sing unto Thee in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs. Even as the tones of this organ peal forth in pleasing unity and concord, so give us all unity of spirit and harmony of faith, that we may here in time with one heart and one mouth glorify Thee, until at length we join with the innumerable company before Thy throne in the unending praise of heaven; through Jesus Christ, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be glory and dominion and power, world without end."

PASTOR—And now this organ, set apart by the Word of God and Prayer is henceforth dedicated to the worship of God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Doxology

ORGAN RECITAL

Now Thank We All Our God *Karg-Elert*

Jesus—Joy of Man's Desiring *Bach*

My Heart is Filled With Longing *Bach*

Largo *Handel*

Toccata on "O Sons and Daughters" *Farnham*

Hymn No. 6—"Come Thou Fount" *Congregation*

In Summer *Stebbins*

Scherzo *Nevin*

Hymns *Selected*

The Lost Chord *Sullivan*

Piece Heroique *Franck*

THE ORGANIST

We are happy to have Mr. John Schantz as our dedication recital organist. Mr. Schantz was awarded a scholarship to Oberlin Conservatory in 1939. He entered the United States Army in 1942, and served in the Philippines and Japan until 1946. He re-entered Oberlin and graduated in organ under Arthur Poister in 1947. Since then he has been employed as tonal director of Schantz Organ Company. He has recently returned from a European Tour studying the organs and cathedrals of the Reformation period in Holland and Belgium.