

The Service of Dedication

of

The Sanctuary Organ
The First Presbyterian Church
Morristown, Tennessee

Friday, May 11, 1973 8:15 p.m.

MARGIE ROBERTS JOHNSON, ORGANIST

Ministers: Pitser M. Lyons III

John E. Pitzer

Director of Music: Jerold C. Teachey

THE DEDICATION

The Call to Worship and The Invocation

Dr. Lyons

The Hymn: No. 568

Mit Freuden Zart

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

The Dedication

Minister: Dear Friends, forasmuch as God has put into our hearts the desire to dedicate this instrument of music as an aid to our worship of Him, it is right that we should now set it apart to the holy use for which it was designed.

In the faith of our God, who does entrust to mankind the skill to transpose discord into harmony,

People: We dedicate this organ.

Minister: To the transformation of man's anguish and destruction into channels of harmony and rhythms of peace,

People: We dedicate this organ.

Minister: To the attuning of our hearts to the voice of this noble instrument, that it may speak of goals undistorted, of possessions in perspective, of character enriched and evil overcome,

People: We dedicate this organ.

Minister: To our release from preferring what we know best, pretending that the old is always better than the new,

People: We dedicate this organ.

Minister: Accept, O Lord, this instrument of music in this holy place. May those who play it and those who sing with it offer their finest as if in your presence alone. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE RECITAL

I

Sonata VII

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Grave

Allegro

Adagio

Allegro

This work is one of the three early Hallenser sonatas published about 1730. It was originally composed for transverse flute and continuo.

Penny Roberts Gerschefski, flutist

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Bach was occupied with the completion of the Eighteen Large Chorales during the last weeks of his life, but at least twelve of them are revisions of earlier works, written while he was serving as organist at the court of Duke Wilhelm Ernst in Weimar. This chorale is a cheerful, fast-moving trio. The motive used in the contrapuntal play of the two upper voices is taken from the first notes of the chorale melody, which also appears in the pedal near the end of the piece.

Prelude and Fugue in D Major (B.W.V. 532)

Johann Sebastian Bach

This work is notorious for its difficulty, demanding that the organist use both hands and the pedal with complete accuracy. The first section of the prelude is an Alla Breve, introduced by an ascending scale in the pedal; this is followed by an Adagio section where the double pedal is used very effectively in a series of overlapping harmonies. The fugue which follows has been described as one of the most dazzlingly beautiful of all the master's organ works.

Intermission

II

Sonata III

Hermann Schroeder (b. 1904)

Maestoso

Andante

Allegro Rubato

Schroeder was appointed organist at the Cathedral in Trier, Germany in 1938 and became director of the Trier School of Music in 1940. His compositions range from folk music to opera and from string trios to symphonies. This sonata, composed in 1969, contrasts the brilliance and energy of the first and third movements with a tranquil and warm second movement.

III

Scherzetto

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

This dance-like piece was an improvisation by the great organ virtuoso Vierne, who was born blind. He studied at the Paris Conservatory under Franck and Widor and was appointed organist of Notre Dame in 1900. The Scherzetto is one of a collection of 24 Pieces in Free Style.

Cortege et Litanie

Marcel Dupre (1886-1971)

Dupre gave his first public performance when he was ten years old and won first prizes at the Paris Conservatory for piano in 1905 and for organ in 1907. The Cortege et Litanie was published in 1921. The motive of the Litanie is first heard in a single line which is increasingly interwoven with the melody of the Cortege. As the piece ends, every stop on the organ is used to create a climax of sounds and textures.

The audience is invited to remain for a reception on the lawn following the recital.

THE ORGAN

The Schantz organ is manufactured by highly skilled craftsmen in the Orrville, Ohio factory. This instrument consists of four divisions: Great (exposed pipes), Swell and Choir (under expression) and Pedal. The console houses the actual playing mechanism which reveals three keyboards of 61 notes each and the pedal board of 32 pedals. Briefly, each pipe seated on the wind chest corresponds to one key on the keyboards or pedal board. Through a complicated network of wiring relays, the air from the wind chest is allowed to pass through a particular pipe as the corresponding key is depressed.

The specifications indicate the ranks of pipes which comprise the organ. There are 40 ranks. The organ is the result of many months of thoughtful consideration and planning. Special congratulations are due the organ committee, Mr. Don H. Culley, Jr., Mrs. Jack J. Britton, Mrs. Eldon A. Pearson, and Mr. G.S. Webb, who worked in conjunction with Mrs. Johnson and with the Schantz representative, Mr. Alfred Lunsford, of Knoxville. Our instrument is the realization of a hope for an organ which will serve the total musical needs of our congregation in the years ahead.

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GREAT ORGAN	SWELL ORGAN
16' Quintaton 61 pipes	8' Flute a Cheminee 61 pipes
8' Principal 61 pipes	8' Viole de Gamba 61 pipes
8' Bordun 61 pipes	8' t.c. Viole Celeste 49 pipes
4' Octave 61 pipes	4' Prestant 61 pipes
4' Waldfloete 61 pipes	4' Flute Couverte 61 pipes
2' Super octave 61 pipes	2' Flute a Bec 61 pipes
IV Mixture 244 pipes	III Plein Jeu 183 pipes
Chimes	16' Basson 61 pipes
	8' Trompette 61 pipes
	8' Basson 12 pipes (extension)
	4' Clarion 61 pipes
	Tremolo (electric)
CHOIR ORGAN	PEDAL ORGAN
8' Holzgedeckt 61 pipes	16' Principal 32 pipes
8' Erzahler 61 pipes	16' Bordun 32 pipes
4' Koppelfloete 61 pipes	16' Quintation (Great 32 pipes (extension)
2 2/3' Nasat 61 pipes	8' Octave 32 pipes
2' Principal 61 pipes	8' Bordun 12 pipes (extension)
13/5' Terz 61 pipes	8' Quintaton (Great) 32 pipes (extension)
11/3' Quint 61 pipes	4' Choral bass 32 pipes
III Scharf 183 pipes	4' Flute 12 pipes (extension)
8' Krummhorn 61 pipes	II Mixture 64 pipes
Tremolo (electric)	16' Posaune 32 pipes
	16' Basson (Swell) 32 pipes (extension)
	8' Trompette 12 pipes (extension)
	4' Basson (Swell) 32 pipes (extension)
COUPLERS	
Swell to Great 16', 8', 4'	Swell to Choir 16', 8', 4'
Choir to Great 16', 8', 4'	Swell to Swell 16'
Choir to Choir 16'	Swell Unison Off
Choir Unison Off	Swell to Swell 4'
Choir to Choir 4'	Great to Pedal 8'
Great to Choir 8'	Swell to Pedal 8'
Great Unison Off	Swell to Pedal 4'
	Choir to Pedal 8'
	Choir to Pedal 4'
PISTONS	TOE STUDS
Great 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Full Organ Reversible
Swell 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Great to Pedal Reversible
Choir 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Swell to Pedal Reversible
Pedal (toe studs) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Choir to Pedal Reversible
General 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Duplicating general pistons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
General Cancel	Duplicating pedal pistons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5