FIRST (PARK) CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UCC

The First (Park) Congregational Church, UCC, is a congregation which has grown with the city of Grand Rapids from its very beginning. In 1836, this congregation began with a membership which came from both New England and the Netherlands. It purchased a church building from Louis Campau but eventually built this historic landmark in 1868, the second oldest church building in our city.

The church presents a nationally renowned display of Tiffany windows as well as one of the finest pipe organs in our state. The membership comes from many communities in our area as well as from many different Christian backgrounds. The church provides a variety of programs for preschoolers through senior citizens.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor Dale Nelson, Senior Pastor
Pastor William Handy, Interim Associate Minister
Mr. George Shirley, Organist/Choirmaster
Mr. Tom Higgins, Christian Education Director
Mrs. Ila Flo Barfuss, Parish Visitor
(616) 459-3203

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:45 AM - Thompson Chapel Service 11:00 AM - Worship Service 11:00 AM - Church School

Following each concert, Tour Docents will be available in front of the sanctuary near the pulpit to answer questions or provide information.

You are invited to greet the organist at the front of the sanctuary following the concert.



PROGRAM

Sunday, January 3, 1993 3:00 o'clock

Jonathan Tuuk, organ Maria Royce Hesse, harp Christopher Martin, violin

Grand Chorus Dialogue

Eugene Gigout (French, 1844-1925)

Harmonies du Soir (Evening Harmonies) Sigfried Karg-Elert (German, 1877-1933)

All Creatures of Our God and King

David A. Schack (American, 1941 -)

Aria in Classic Style (harp and organ)

Marcel Grandjany (French, 1891-1974)

Finlandia - Tone Poem for Orchestra trans. by H.A. Fricker

Jean Sibelius (Canadian, 1868-1943)

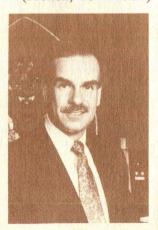
Elegy violin, harp and organ

Harold Friedell (American, 1905-1958)

Symphony No II
Pastorale
Finale

Charles Marie Widor (French, 1844-1937)

Jonathan Tuuk is one of the most highly regarded organist in the country. Organist at Mayflower Congregational Church and accompanist for the Chamber Choir of Grand Rapids, Jonathan is also an organ instructor at Calvin College.



PROGRAM

Sunday, February 7, 1993 3 o'clock Mr. Todd Wilson, organist

Prelude & Fugue in E-flat Major (St. Anne), BWV 522

Johann S. Bach (1685-1750)

Three Miniatures
Tuba Tune

C.S. Lang (1891-1971)

The Musical Snuffbox (arr. Charles Heinroth)

Anton Liadov (1855-1914)

Londonderry Air

arr. Edwin H. Lemare (1865-1934)

Prelude to Die Meistersinger (arr. Edwin Lemare)

Richard Wagner (1813-1883)

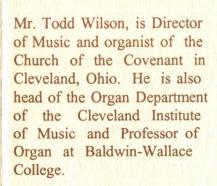
Intermission

Roulade, Opus 9, no. 3

Seth Bingham (1882-1972)

Suite, Opus 5
Prelude
Sicilienne
Toccato

Maurice Durufle (1902-1886)





PROGRAM

Sunday, March 7, 1993 3 o'clock Mr. Frederick Hohman, organist

Fifth Organ Symphony, Opus 42 Allegro vivace: theme & variations Charles M. Widor (1845-1937)

Largo from Xerxes transcribed by Edwin Lemare Georg Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Tu Es Petra (Thou Art the Rock) from the Byzantine Sketches

Henri Mulet (1878-1967)

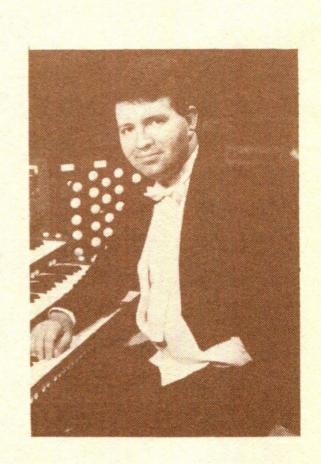
Concert Fantasia and Variations on Hanover, Opus, 4

Edwin Henry Lemare (1865-1934)

Fantasy-Overture to Romeo and Juliet

Pyot ll'yich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893) transcribed by Edwin Lemare

Frederick Hohman is involved in several facets of the pipe organ world. He is a touring recitalist and lecturer, chair of a new organ program at Indiana University in South Bend, Indiana, recording artist, church musician and a composer of both organ and choral music.



SPECIFICATION

GRAND ORGUE		DOCTO	POSITIF	
16		8	Flute a bois	
8	Montre	4	Prestant	
8	Bourdon	4	Flute a fuseau	
8	Flute Harmonique	2-2/3		
8	Violone	2	Flageolet	
4	Prestant	1-3/5	Tierce	
4	Flute creuse	1	Piccolo	
2	Doublette	IV		
IV	Fourniture	III	0 1 === 0	
III	Cymbale	8	Cromorne	
16	Fagotte		Tremblant	
8	Trompette		Positif 16	
4	Clairon	Positif U	Positif Unison Off	
	Cloches			
Grand Orgue Unison Off		CHOEU	CHOEUR - Expressif	
		16	Dulcaine	
RECIT	- Expressif	8	Principal cierge	
	Bourdon doux	8	Grande celeste	
8	Diapason	8	Flute ouverte	
8	Cor de nuit	8	Dulciane	
8	Viole de Gambe	8	Unda Maris	
8	Viox Celeste	4	Prestant cierge	
8	Flute Celeste II	4	Flute a pointe	
	Prestant	2	Octaved	
4	Flute cierge	1-1/3	Larigot	
2-2/3	Nazard	IV	Mixture	
2	Octavin	16	Chalumeau	
1-3/5	Tierce	8	Chalumeau	
V	Plein jeu	16	Trompette	
III	Cymbale	10	harmonique	
16	Bassoon	8	Trompette	
8	Trompette		harmonique	
8	Hautbois	4	Clairon harmoniqu	
8	Voix humaine	4	Tremblant	
4	Clairon	8		
4	Tremblant	0	Trompette en chamade	
David 10		Char		
Recit 16			Choeur 16	
Recit Unison Off		Choeur	Choeur Unison Off	

Choeur 4 Cloches de tour

SOLO - Expressif PEDALE Soubasse 8 Diapason 32 Flauto mirabilis 32 Bourson doux Gambe 16 Contrebasse Gambe Celeste 16 Bourdon Viox Angelique II 16 Violone 8 Tuba-Magna 16 Bourdon doux 8 16 Dulcaine Cor 8 Cor Anglais 10-2/3 Quinte Clarinette 8 Basse Trompette en Bourdon chamade 8 Flute conique Cor de nuit Tremblant 8 Cloches Dulcaine Cloches de tour Basse de chorale 4 Solo 16 Flute conique 2 Solo Unison Off Flute conique III Grave mixture Solo 4 III Fourniture **ECHO** III Acuta IV **Grand Cornet 32** 8 Montre 8 Flute IV Cornet 16 Prestant 32 Bombarde 2 Doublette 16 Bombarde III-IV Mixture 16 Trompette Echo Unison Off harmonique 16 Fagotte ECHO PEDALE 16 Bassoon 16 Bourdon 16 Chalumeau 8 Principal 8 Bombarde 8 Fagotte Bourdon Octave 8 Bassoon 4 Clarion harmonique 4 Fagotte

COUPLERS

Recit 4

Grand Orgue to Pedale 8
Recit to Pedale 8
Recit to Pedale 4
Choeur to Pedale 8
Choeur to Pedale 4
Positif to Pedale 8
Positif to Pedale 4
Solo to Pedale 8
Solo to Pedale 4
Echo to Pedale 8

Recit to Grand Orgue 8
Recit to Grand Orgue 4
Choeur to Grand Orgue 16
Choeur to Grand Orgue 8
Choeur to Grand Orgue 8
Choeur to Grand Orgue 4
Positif to grand Orgue 16
Positif to Grannd Orgue 8
Solo to Grand Orgue 8
Solo to Grand Orgue 8

Recit to Grand Orgue 16

Echo to Grand Orgue 8 Choeur to Recit 16 Choeur to Recit 8 Choeur to Recit 4 Positiff to Recit 8 Echo to Recit 8

Grand Orgue to Solo 8 Choeur to Solo 8

Grand Orgue to Choeur 8

Recit to Choeur 16 Recit to Choeur 8 Recit to Choeur 4 Solo to Choeur 16 Solo to Choeur 8 Solo to Choeur 4 Echo to Choeur 8

Chalumeau Cloches

Grand Orgue to Positif Transfer

THE ORGAN LEGACY AT PARK CHURCH

The first organ was a tiny instrument brought to Grand Rapids in 1848. This organ was placed upon a table and two bellows, one at either hand, were worked by elbow straps.

In 1855 a pipe organ was purchased for \$1000 and was enlarged when installed in the present building in 1869. A hand pump was used to supply the power.

In 1885 a new organ, costing \$5000, was installed. This instrument was driven by water power and occupied the original arch and apse.

In 1930 a pipe organ was purchased from the Skinner Organ Company of Boston, Mass. at a cost of \$36,000 and was reported to have been one of the most modern instruments in the Midwest. It contained five divisions — the Great, Swell, Choir, and Pedal with an Antiphonal with its own Pedal placed in the ceiling at the rear of the sanctuary.

In 1969 the original Skinner instrument was removed to the Moller Organ Co. factory in Hagerstown, Md. where it was totally rebuilt and enlarged. At this time a Positive division was added and the Pedal and Great divisions were enlarged and exposed, making the design more Classic while still retaining the Romantic characteristics of the original instrument. This work was done under the supervision, Organist-Choirmaster, Mr. George Shirley, consultant, Mr. Troy Carpenter, and Mr. Henry Beard, Moller area representative. This instrument had 79 ranks of pipes and was considered one of the most successful instruments in the West Michigan area.

In August of 1988 Park Church experienced a disastrous fire in the church Sanctuary. The organ, which had suffered major damage, was totally removed and returned to the Moller Organ Co. for repair. Mr. Loyd Winer, Chairman of the Church Restoration Committee, worked with Dr. Peter Sorensen, Chairman of the Organ Restoration Committee to develop a plan for the organ restoration.

On their recommendation, George Shirley and Troy Carpenter in conjunction with Dr. Ronald Ellis, President of Moller, and Henry Beard totally redesigned the instrument, adding a new Echo division and replacing the Antiphonal with a Solo division. A new console using solid state electronic controls replaced the original one which was destroyed beyond use in the fire. Under the guidance of Mr. Daniel Angerstein, tonal director of Moller, the basic tonal design is in the American Classic tradition with significant French Romantic influences. The Echo cases containing the new Echo division and the Trompette en chamade on the rear wall was designed by the Moller Organ Co. and built and installed by the Lauck Organ Co. of Otsego, MI. This new instrument, containing 104 ranks of pipes divided among seven divisions, is presently the largest pipe organ in Western Michigan.

This concert series was conceived in collaboration with the Moller Organ Company of Hagerstown, MD.