

# The Treasure Coast Chapter of The American Guild of Organists



Monthly Newsletter

January 2026

## MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Christmastide Greetings to All!



Our Treasure Coast Chapter has a fantastic program coming up on January 4, 4:00 PM, at St. Mark's Anglican Church in Vero Beach. PLEASE SHARE the flyer from this newsletter! Perhaps your church will include mention of the concert in their email blast this week.

We have TEN organists (members of our chapter) performing the Music of Christmas and Epiphany,

plus the singing of some Christmas hymns and other seasonal music. I am very pleased to report that, in addition to our regular members, two former Chapter scholarship recipients, Joseph Parr and Joseph Rumberger, will perform, as well as Amber Schichtel, our current scholarship recipient. Most of the selections are based on familiar Christmas tunes. Many favorite composers are represented. This will be a highlight of the season! A reception in the Parish Hall will follow the program. I am inviting (imploring?) singers to come and be part of a choir which will help to lead the congregational singing, including some of the favorite descants by David Willcocks. Bring your green "Carols for Choirs I" book. We will sing O Come, All Ye Faithful, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing, Once in Royal David's City, and The First Nowell (English spelling). Our rehearsal is at 3:10 PM January 4 in the choir stalls. We will NOT wear vestments; simply wear appropriate dressy seasonal attire. Please let me know how many from your choir will be coming to sing in the choir, and what the voice parts are. If you have the green carol book, bring it, please.

Looking ahead to our Members' Recital at St. Andrew's Episcopal in Fort Pierce on February 8 (4:00 PM), please note that this will be a BENEFIT CONCERT for hurricane relief in Jamaica. Dr. Dan Kroger is organizing the program, so I ask our members to let him know if you have something to perform. We are grateful to organist/director Dallas Gambrell for hosting the concert, as well as the Rector, Rev. Ellis Brust, and Associate Rector, the Rev. Dr. Audley Donaldson.

I remind you that Tom Ingui will perform a free recital at The Community Church in Vero Beach on March 1 at 4:00 PM. You can watch Tom's videos on his Facebook page. His recital is not to be missed!

And, as always, let me know if you plan to attend our luncheon at Ocean Grill in Vero at noon on January 7.

May the Love and Peace of the season warm your heart and feed your soul! See you on the 4th. Christmas Blessings!

Tom Goetz DMus, CAGO Chapter Dean



**TCCAGO Chapter Lunch at  
the Ocean Grill at Noon on  
January 7, 2026**

**RSVP with Tom Goetz at  
[goetzmusic1@gmail.com](mailto:goetzmusic1@gmail.com) by  
1/5**

The background of the poster is a photograph of an organ console, showing several large, golden-brown pipes. Overlaid on this background are three figures of the Three Kings, dressed in traditional, ornate robes and crowns. The text is overlaid on this image.

Treasure Coast Chapter  
of the  
American Guild of Organists

~ presents ~

*King of Instruments*

A Christmas & Epiphany  
Organ Concert  
with Carol Singing for All

*Meets the Three Kings*

Sunday, January 4, 2026  
4:00PM

St. Mark's Anglican Church  
1795 45th Street  
Vero Beach, FL 32967

concert is free - donations appreciated

# TCCAGO EVENT SCHEDULE

## For the 2025-26 Season

- **SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, AT 4 PM— CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY CONCERT**

**St. Mark's Anglican Church in Vero Beach.** Members are invited to play the Allen organ for this program. RSVP to Tom Goetz as soon as possible to reserve practice time and give your title and composer. Reception to follow the program. Tom Goetz, host.

- **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 4:00 PM - MEMBER'S RECITAL**

**St Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ft Pierce (note the schedule and venue change)**  
Please arrange practice time with Dallas Gambrell. St Andrew's has a fine A. E. Schlueter pipe organ and a beautiful seven-foot Baldwin piano. Pianists and organists take note! Dallas Gambrell hosts.

- **SUNDAY, MARCH 1, AT 4 PM—Tom Ingui Recital at Community Church, Vero Beach**

We are thrilled to present Tom Ingui, a former TCCAGO Scholarship student, in a solo recital on the expansive Lively-Fulcher organ at Community Church. Tom was awarded third prize at the Saint-Maurice International Organ Competition in Switzerland this past August. This is a high honor and recognition of his outstanding skills as an organist. Tom was the only contestant from the US who made it to the finals in Switzerland. We congratulate Tom and look forward to his recital on his home turf, the Treasure Coast! Tom earned his bachelor's degree in organ performance at Stetson University, and his master's degree at the Yale School of Music at Yale University. He has performed recitals at notable venues such as Trinity Church Copley Square, Boston, and Bethesda by the Sea in Palm Beach. He is a collaborative artist with Southeastern University and the Bach Festival of Central Florida. He is currently organist at First Presbyterian Church of Lakeland, FL. Mark your calendar now!

- **SEASON FINALE (Date and Time TBA in April or May)**

**CHORAL READING AND TECHNIQUES** presented by Ryan Kasten. This program of choral literature and techniques to improve singing will be held at First Baptist Church with Ray Adams as host. We encourage you to invite directors and/or organists who might not be TCCAGO members at present, but will find a choral program to be beneficial. We will read choral literature together and gain new insights into making the choral art effective and meaningful for our musicians and parishioners. This program will also include the installation of officers and a social event after the program.



**TOM INGUI will present a solo recital at The Community Church on Sunday, March 1, at 4:00 PM. Help us to spread the word about this exciting event.**

**Tom has presented recitals in a number of distinguished venues, including Trinity Church, Boston, and other churches. His recent distinguished third place placement in the St. Maurice International Organ Competition is a very high honor. Tom was the only contestant from the United States who was selected to compete with eleven other organists in person in Switzerland.**

**A freewill offering will be accepted in support of our Chapter's operating fund.**



# Christ by the Sea

## 2025-2026 CONCERT SEASON

*Celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Concert Series*

### CHRIST BY THE SEA 2025-2026 CONCERT SEASON

#### **Sunday, Nov 23, 2025 • 3 PM**

#### **Piano Concert**

Pianist Marcos Daniel Flores will once again perform a brilliant solo piano program including the majestic Liszt's *Sonata in B Minor*, and other jewels from the piano literature such as Debussy's *Clair de Lune* and *Malagueña* by Lecuona. Don't miss the unique experience of an intimate solo Grand Piano on stage producing from the most introspective sounds to the most exhilarating sounds full of emotions and virtuosity.

*Tickets available.*

#### **Saturday, Dec 13, 2025 • 4:30 and 7 PM**

#### **Christmas Cantata**

Join us to celebrate the Birth of our Savior Jesus Christ set to a full musical production with a mixed choir, a full orchestra, liturgical dancers, dramatic scenes, and uplifting narration! Featuring opera singers and musicians from Florida and other states.

*Free will offering appreciated.*

#### **Sunday, Feb 15, 2026 • 3 and 7 PM**      **Eight Piano Monster Concert**

Pianists Kelley Coppage, Jacob Craig, Marcos Flores, Becca Harrison, Joanne Knott, Andrew Miller, Rochelle Sallee, and Jill Truax will perform together on 8 pianos with their 16 hands and 80 fingers flying and dancing all over 704 ivory keys! We'll have a commissioned "world premiere" of beloved Opera Themes! This concert is a rare sight and a powerful display of monumental and gigantic sonorities, which will for sure captivate all your senses in this fun program!

*Tickets available.*

#### **Sunday, Mar 22, 2026 • 3 PM**

#### **Chamber Concert**

Violinists Henry Hutchinson and Matt Stott, violist Viera Borisova, cellist Ana Ruth Bermúdez, and pianist Marcos Flores once again will delight our audience with beautiful and uplifting chamber music from genius composers. Internationally acclaimed Classical Guitarist Miguel Bonachea will be our featured guest. Do not miss this unique, vibrant and soul moving experience!

*Tickets available.*

#### **Saturday, Apr 4, 2026 • 4:30 and 7 PM**

#### **Easter Cantata**

Join us to experience the Passion and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ set to a full musical production with a mixed choir, full orchestra, liturgical dancers, dramatic scenes, and uplifting narration! Featuring opera singers and musicians from Florida and other states.

*Free will offering appreciated.*

*\*Cantatas are free admission with a free will offering appreciated.*

*\*Tickets for the concert series will be available starting on August 1, 2025 online at [cbtsumc.org/concert-series](http://cbtsumc.org/concert-series), at the church office M-F 9am-4 pm, and at the door.  
\$30 adults and \$10 youth.*

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- Enhance your skills through in-person and virtual programs.
- Stay connected online.
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**We are united in our passion for the organ.** Whether you're an organist, or organ buff; a concert organist, or a beginner; have an advanced degree, or are self-taught; play a traditional pipe organ, or electronic organ; are a choral director, or simply love the organ... **you are welcome at the AGO.**

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*Basilica Concert Series*  
**2025-2026**

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An offering will be accepted  
All events begin at 7:30 p.m.*

**OCT  
17  
FRI**

**FELIX HELL, VIRTUOSO CONCERT ORGANIST**

An exciting evening with the Basilica's world class Schoenstein pipe organ featuring Felix's own transcription of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony! *Sponsored by Erin and John Hytlin and the Central Florida Chapter of the American Guild of Organists*

**DEC  
12  
FRI**

**CHRISTMAS WITH THE BASILICA CHOIR**

Our most anticipated annual event with the Basilica Choir and Orchestra! Seasonal favorites and don't forget the sing-a-long! *Sponsored by Rock and Shasme Guarisco.*

**MAR  
27  
FRI**

**TENEBRAE: A HOLY WEEK SERVICE OF DARKNESS**

Join Basilica rector Fr. Ivan Olmo and the Basilica Choir as they lead a reflective evening of scripture and gorgeous a cappella choral music. The perfect preparation for Holy Week. *Sponsored by the Wideman Family, and Tim and Kimberlee Riley.*

**APR  
17  
FRI**

**A NIGHT AT THE OPERA**

The Basilica Choir and Orchestra with Gabriel Preisser from Opera Orlando present an evening of exciting opera selections. This will be a fabulous evening. *Sponsored by Dr. Illena Antonetti and Larry and Christine Strain.*

**MAY  
8  
FRI**

**A MOTHER'S DAY BOUQUET**

The Basilica Choir and Orchestra perform John Rutter's beloved "Magnificat" framed by settings of the famous "Ave Maria" text and more. *Sponsored by Alicia Torres-Aguilar, Teresita Mendoza, and Dr. Christina Chan.*

**Dr. William F. Picher, AAGO**  
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# THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF VERO BEACH MUSIC & FINE ARTS '25-26 SERIES

## CONCERT SERIES

- OCT 26** "Tricks & Treats" Masquerade Concert of Voice & Piano at 3 p.m. in Grace Chapel with Rachel Carter Murphy, soprano and Jacob Craig, piano | Costumes Encouraged  
*Tickets \$10*
- DEC 7** "Sounds of Christmas" A Celebration Concert at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Hear the Music Ensembles of Community Church. With Handbells, Jazz Combo, small ensembles, soloists and some surprises along the way! *\$10 suggested donation*
- FEB 22** "Love Notes: Tales of Passion" Melbourne Municipal Band at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary. An exciting concert with some romantic favorites arranged for concert band, sure to knock your socks off and get your heart pumping! *\$10 suggested donation*
- MAR 8** "Astralis Chamber Ensemble: Flute & Harp" at 3 p.m. in Grace Chapel. This dynamic ensemble presents instrument pairings that are unique worldwide, inspiring expanded chamber repertoire through commissions and arrangements. *Tickets \$10*
- APR 26** "Atlantica String Trio" at 3 p.m. in Grace Chapel. This local ensemble features Adriana Stenvik, cello; Sasha Korzynski, violin, and John Korzynski, piano. *Tickets \$10*

## SPECIAL EVENTS IN WORSHIP

- NOV 24** Annual Thanksgiving Interfaith Service at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Members of the Treasure Coast Interfaith community come together in gratitude. Includes Combined Handbell Ensemble and Choir
- DEC 24** Christmas Eve Candlelight Lessons & Carols. 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. in the Sanctuary with Orchestra and Choir. *Free-will offering*
- APR 3** Good Friday Service of Music at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Featuring Choir, Soloists, and Orchestra. Featuring works by Samuel Barber, Heather Sorenson, Fauré and Mozart.

## POETRY & MUSIC SERIES

- DEC 4-19** Thursdays in Advent at 11 a.m. Join us to hear the spoken word highlighted by music. Poets & Musicians include Sean Sexton, Sarah Carey, Rachel Murphy, Logan Koller Sasha Korczynsky
- FEB 19-26** Thursdays in Lent at 11 a.m. Join us to hear the spoken word highlighted by music. Poets include Sean Sexton, and Jen Karetnick.
- MAR 5-26** Thursdays in Lent at 11 a.m. Our series continues with the spoken word highlighted by music. Poets include Greg Byrd, Angela O'Donnell, M.B. McLatchey, and Robert Cording.

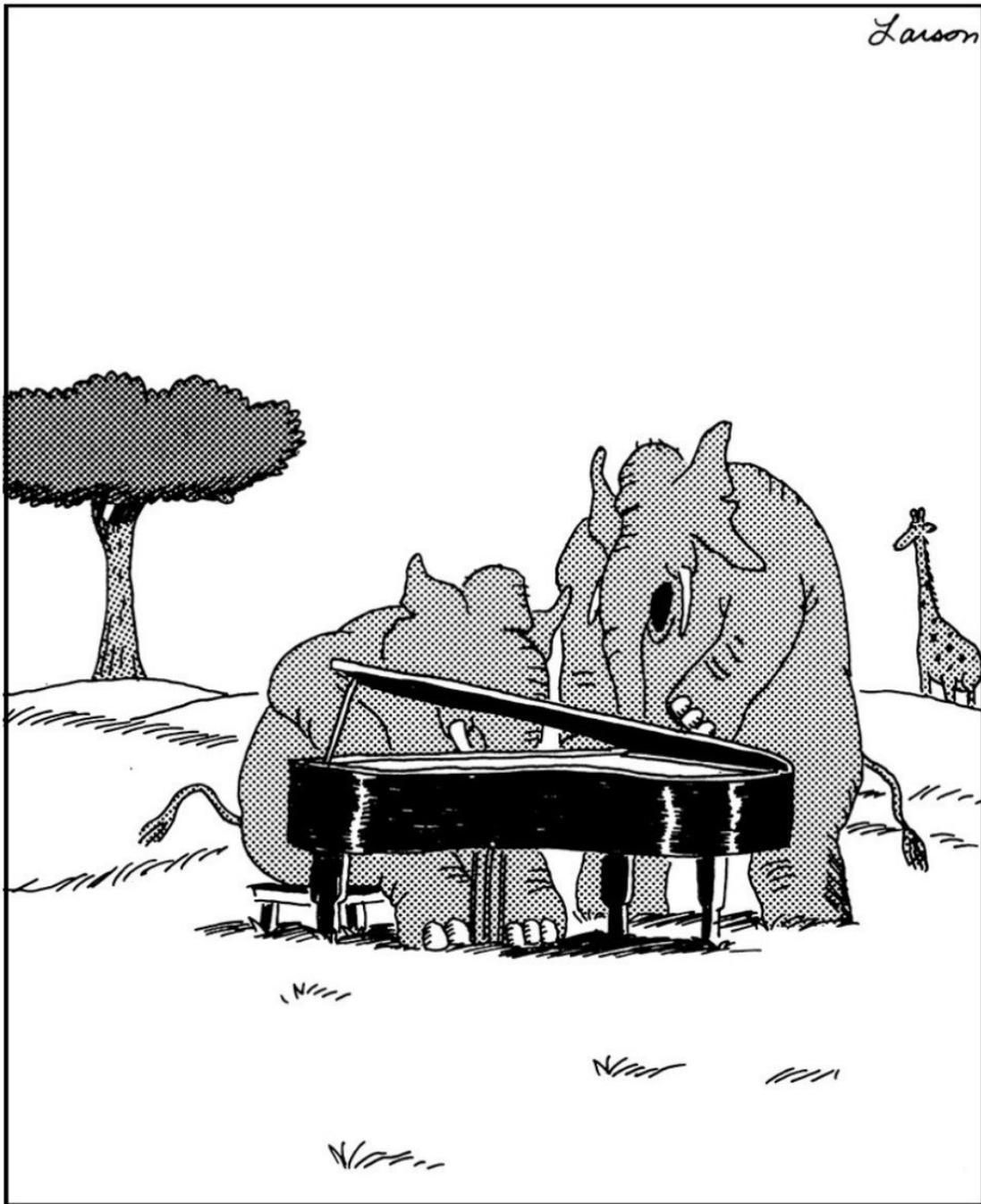
## VINER SERIES FOR THE VISUAL ARTS

- OCT- JAN** **Steven Edgar Bradbury**, Florida-based pleinair landscape artist will show his works in graphite and pastels as our Viner Series opener.
- JAN 11-25** **Congregational Art Show** Members and Attendees of Community Church will display their art as a Celebration of Community Church Creativity.
- FEB- APR** **Jacquelyn Modesitt Schindehette**, Florida native and master painter of Florida's unique landscape will show her oil paintings in our Narthex Gallery.



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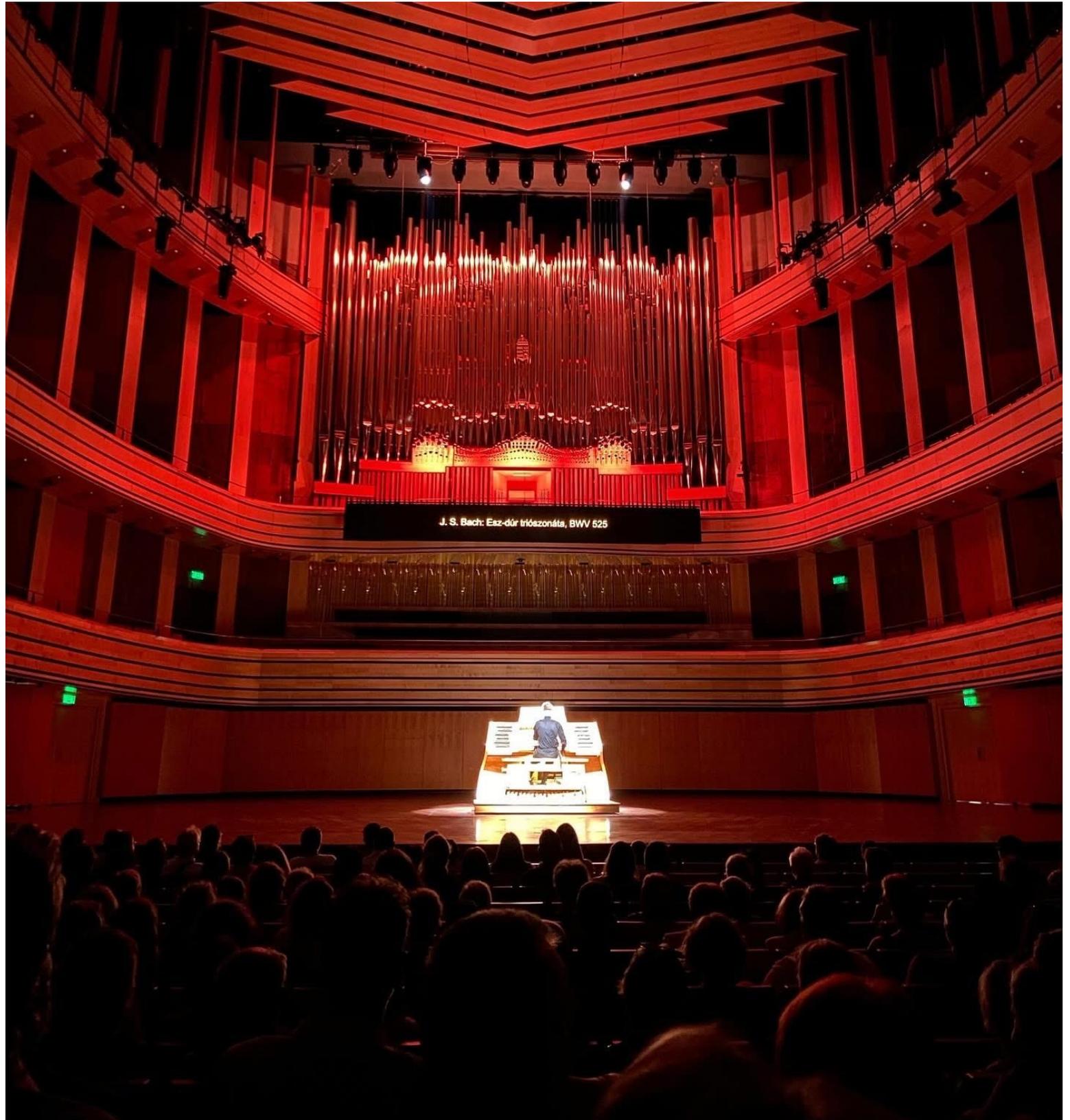
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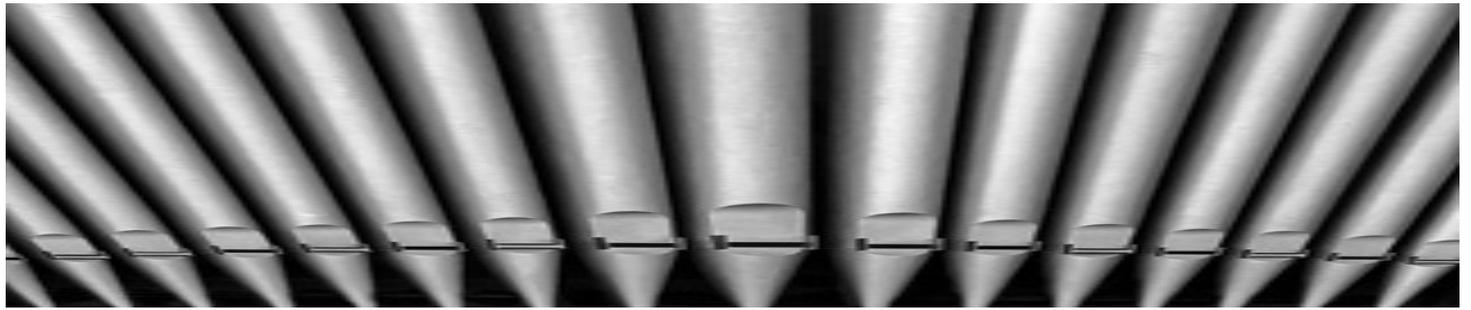


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That’s ‘Louie Louie.’”



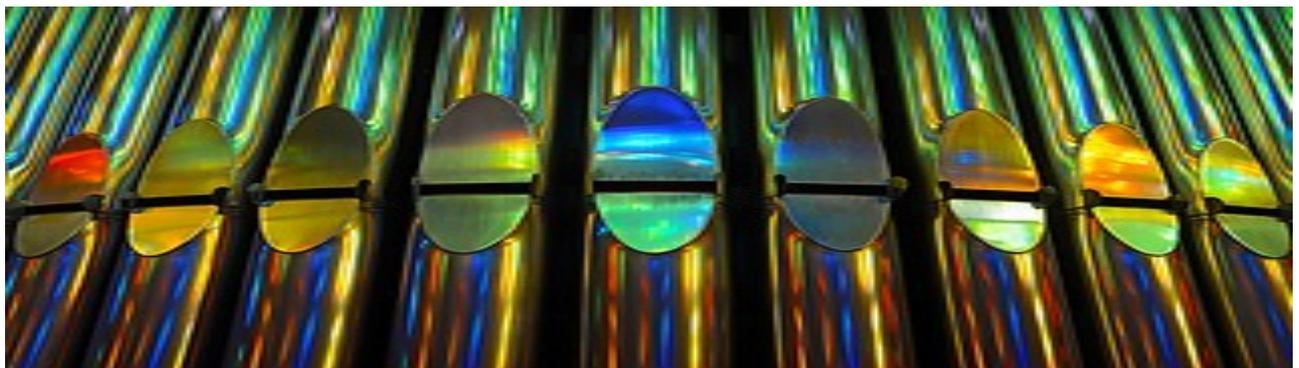


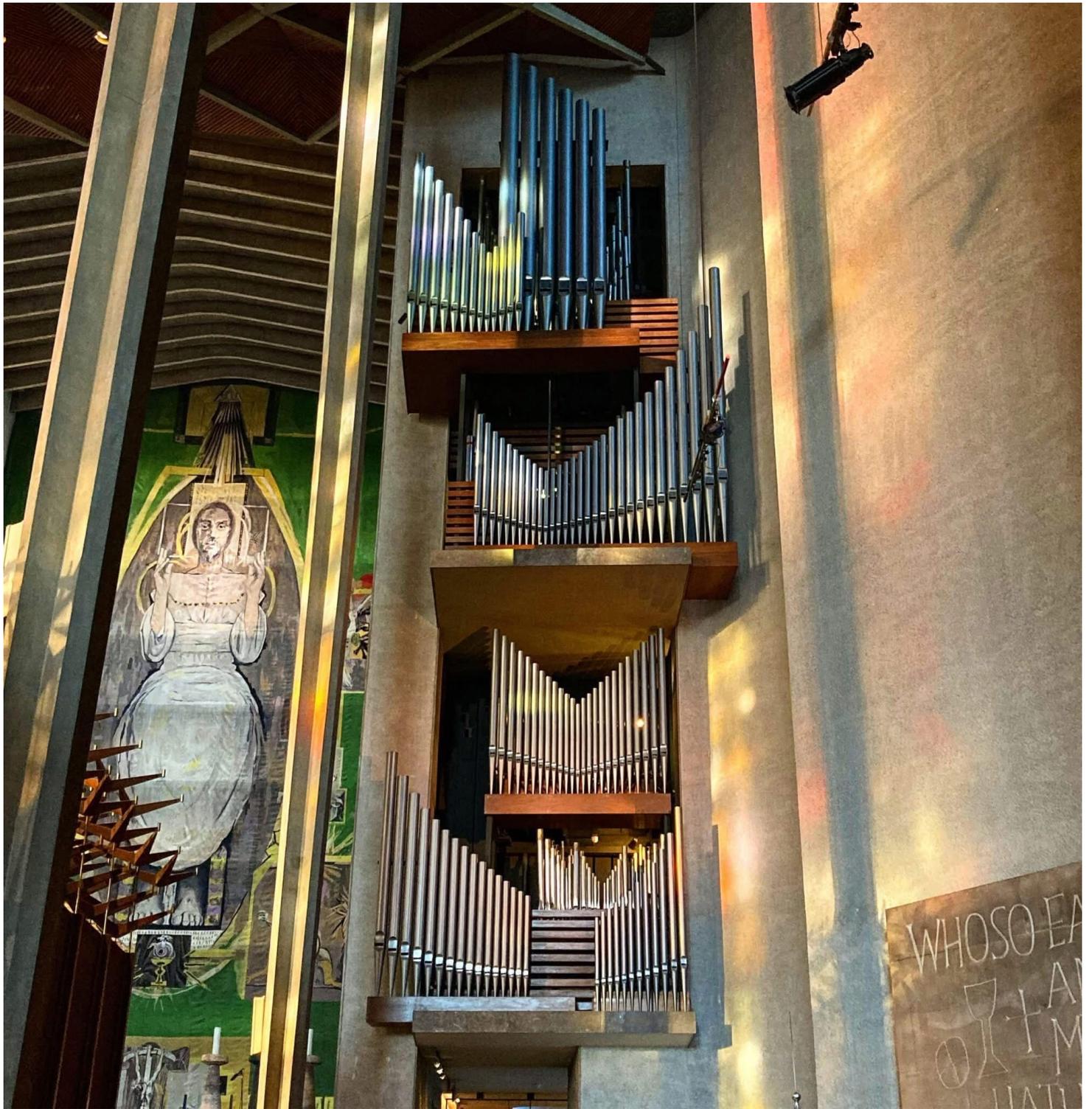
MY DAUGHTER TELLS ME YOU'RE  
A MUSIC MAN, IS THAT RIGHT?

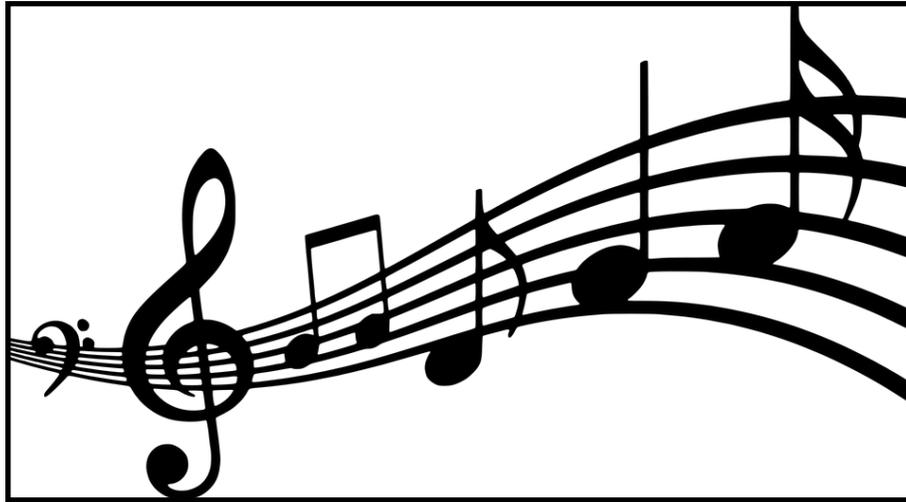
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I'M A D.J.

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TO GET OFF MY PROPERTY

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You are the only person on  
earth who plays like you do.  
Let that shine.







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**A Service of Advent Lessons and Carols**  
**December 7, 2025**  
**Bethesda-By-The Sea, Palm Beach, FL**  
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