# REDEDICATION OF THE SANCTUARY ORGAN



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FORT SCOTT, KANSAS MAY 15, 1994 "Let the words of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God."

Colossians 3:16

#### WHEN IN OUR MUSIC GOD IS GLORIFIED

When in our music God is glorified, And adoration leaves no room for pride, It is as though the whole creation cried Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found A new dimension in the world of sound, As worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!

So has the Church, in liturgy and song, In faith and love, through centuries of wrong Borne witness to the truth in every tongue, Alleluia!

And did not Jesus sing a Psalm that night When utmost evil strove against the Light? Then let us sing, for whom He won the fight: Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to sing always Alleluia!

Fred Pratt Green

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1994	1995	1996
Jane Campbell	James Banwart	Ruth Anderson
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1994	1995	1996
Richard Cowen	George Holy	Jim Banwart, Jr.
Ione Eisele	Wilda Insley	Oka Clinesmith
David Jackson	<b>Bob Morrison</b>	Megan Phelps
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#### "Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in His Sanctuary." Psalm 150:1

# First Presbyterian Church Fort Scott, Kansas

#### SERVICE OF REDEDICATION OF THE SANCTUARY ORGAN

May 15, 1994

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

"When In Our Music God is Glorified" Carol Hoyt, Organist Wallace

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

CHORAL INTROIT

The Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

People:

With the trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King,

the Lord.

Leader:

Let the sea roar, and all that fill it; the world and those who dwell in it.

People:

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together. (Psalm 98: 5-8)

#### PRAYER OF PRAISE

\*HYMN

"All People That On Earth Do Dwell"

220

#### \*CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Unison:

We confess, O Lord, that we have not always sought the harmony of your church. We have been dicordant notes in your symphony. We have been out of tune with the Composer of our life and often blamed those around us for our difficulties. Give, us, once more, a song in our hearts that we might make

beautiful music together. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*GLORIA PATRI

Hymn 579

#### WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

\*Vows (see insert)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

\*Blest Be The Tie That Binds (first verse)

Hymn 438

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

**ANTHEM** 

"Psalm 150"

Lewandowski

**SCRIPTURE & SERMON** 

"To God Alone The Glory"

The Rev. Robert H. Lapp

#### SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

#### THE ACT OF REDEDICATION

ALL: O Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary.
Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

Response

(The Organ)

ALL: O Praise the Lord with lute and strings!

Response

(The Organ)

ALL: O Praise the Lord with harp and flute!

Response

(The Organ)

ALL: O Praise the Lord with fanfare of trumpets and the

sounds of reeds!

Response

(The Organ)

ALL: God, we dedicate all these and many more sounds of this organ to Your honor and glory and pray that the music which will come forth from this instrument over the years will kindle an ever deepening devotion and inspiration for Your Word, which came to us in the being of Jesus Christ.

We praise You, God! Let everything that breathes praise You, making a joyful noise to You and breaking forth into joyous song and singing praises.

O Praise the Lord!

CELEBRATION OF ORGAN

"Prelude In G Minor, BWV 541"

Bach

\*HYMN

"When in Our Music God is Glorified"

264

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & OUR LORD'S PRAYER

Choral Response

**OFFERING** 

Offertory

"Elegy"

Darke

\*Doxology

Hymn 592

\*Offertory Prayer

\*HYMN

"The Church's One Foundation"

442

#### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels wings, I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

**POSTLUDE** 

"Jubilate"

Young

#### DEPARTURE OF THE COMMUNITY FOR WITNESS AND SERVICE

#### **ORGAN RECITAL**

Carol Hoyt, Organ assisted by

Dr. Paul Carlson, Violin

Sunday, May 15, 1994 First Presbyterian Church of Fort Scott 3:00 p.m.

#### **PROGRAM**

Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 541

J.S. Bach 1685—1750

Praeludium in G Major, Op. 37

Felix Mendelssohn 1809—1847

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Ciacona in F Minor

Johann Pachelbel 1653—1706

Jesus Loves Me

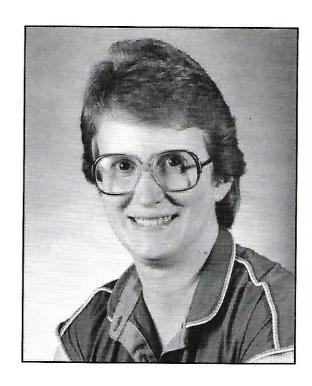
William Bolcom 1938—

#### **INTERMISSION**

Suite for violin and organ, Op. 166

Josef Rheinberger 1839—1901

Moderato Canzone Allemande Moto perpetuo



Carol Hoyt earned a bachelor of music education from Wichita State University and a master of music from Pittsburg State University where she studied organ with Dr. Susan Marchant. Ms. Hoyt has served as organist of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Kansas City, Kansas, the Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg and is currently serving the First Presbyterian Church in Fort Scott. She was formerly dean of the Southeast Kansas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Ms. Hoyt teaches class piano and piano pedagogy at Pittsburg State University and performs frequently as a member of a duo with pianist Steven Edmund. She also teaches orchestra and vocal music in the Pittsburg public schools.

Dr. Paul Carlson is Professor of music at Pittsburg State University and concertmaster of the Southeast Kansas Symphony. He holds degrees from the Chicago Conservatory of Music, Northwestern University and the University of Missouri at Kansas City. Dr. Carlson has toured internationally, presenting solo recitals in Europe, the Orient and South America.







#### **UPCOMING RECITALS**

#### FREDERICK HOHMAN Sunday, June 12, 1994, 4:00 p.m.

Organist Frederick Hohman is the First Prize Winner of both the 1984 Eighth National Organ-Playing Competition (Mader Foundation, Pasadena, California) and the 1984 Arthur Poister Memorial Organ-Playing Competition (American Guild of Organists, Syracuse, New York). Born in 1955 into a family of jazz musicians in St. Louis, Missouri, he entered the University of Rochester's Eastman School of Music in 1974 and remained there for his entire academic career. Hohman holds Eastman's Performer's Certificate, as well as Eastman's degrees through the Doctor of Musical Arts. In addition to annual recital tours which take him to noted venues in America and overseas, he is a guest lecture-recitalist and clinician to noted music groups and universities.

Dr. Hohman founded the Pro Organo label in 1984, and, in addition to an occasional release featuring his own performances, each year he produces Compact Disc recordings featuring a variety of fine organists and choral ensembles. In addition, he has enjoyed a career as a church musician, serving primarily Protestant congregations, including that of First Presbyterian Church in his South Bend, Indiana home. He is also a prize-winning published composer of choral music.

#### ELIZABETH A. KROUSE Sunday, July 10, 1994, 4:00 p.m.

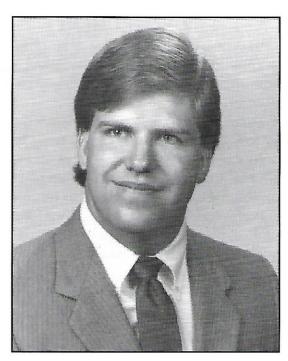
Elizabeth Krouse is Assistant Professor of Music in organ, music theory, and class piano at Cottey College, Nevada, Missouri. She received her musical training at Corpus Christi State University, the University of Colorado, Boulder, and the University of Missouri, Kansas City, where she received the D.M.A. in Organ Performance in 1990. Her dissertation was entitled "The Treatment of Death in Selected Nineteenth-Century Hymnals and Tunebooks from 1835-1870."

Dr. Krouse has served a number of churches, including First Presbyterian Church, as organist, as well as performing professionally, both as harpsichordist and organist, as a soloist in recital, and with the 1990 Kansas City Bachathon and the 1988-1990 Kansas City String Orchestra, among many others.

# SUSAN MARCHANT Sunday, September 18, 1994 3:00 p.m.

A native of Buffalo, New York, Susan Marchant received her musical training at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music and the Yale University School of Music. She has been a member of the music faculty at Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kansas, since 1979. Her current duties include the teaching of organ, harpsichord, and related courses. As director of choral activities, she is also responsible for the choral program of the institution. Since 1980, she has headed an active program as director of music for Pittsburg's First United Methodist Church.

Ms. Marchant has toured nationally as an organist/harpsichordist, both as soloist and as a member of a duo with oboist Susan Hicks Brashier, of the University of Kansas faculty. She also plays organ and harpsichord with both the Early Music Consort and Barocken Winds, period-instrument ensembles based in Kansas City. This interest in the promotion of early music has led her, in recent years, to host a weekly radio program, *Back to Bach*, which may be heard Sundays at 2 p.m. on the PSU public radio station, KRPS.



ROBERT H. LAPP PASTOR

# A WORD ON THE REDEDICATION

We have much to celebrate and to be thankful for as we rededicate our Sanctuary Organ. The power in the larger pipes reminds us of the awesomeness of our Creator God. The softer notes sing of the nearness of the One who is the "Good Shepherd." The harmonies that blend so beautifully tell of the Spirit who makes us one. This instrument has led thousands of people with thousands of songs and melodies, but with the same purpose: "to God alone the glory."

Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the triune God. In worship the people of God acknowledge God present in the world and in their lives. As they respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, believers are transformed and renewed. In worship the faithful offer themselves to God and are equipped for God's service in the world" (Book of Order, W-1. 1001).

The beauty of the instrument allows us to offer our praise in song to God. "A person who sings once prays twice." Music has always been important in our worship. I venture to say that more people have built their faith on the Word proclaimed in song than in sermon. Music touches all of our being. The Psalms were written to be sung. Jane Parker Huber reminds us that "Ours Is a Singing Faith!"

The rededication of the organ is really a rededication of ourselves to the worship, nurture and mission outreach of the Body of Christ. The instrument means nothing if we are not transformed, renewed and equipped to love as God has loved us. "To God alone the glory" as we rededicate the Sanctuary Organ.

### THE INSTRUMENT

The seventy-year-old Henry Pilcher's Sons pipe organ, opus 1230, at the First Presbyterian Church, rebuilt by Quimby Pipe Organs, Inc., Warrensburg, Missouri, is a three manual electropneumatic instrument with 30 ranks. It contains a total of 1,076 pipes constructed of both wood and metal ranging in size from over 16 feet in height to those smaller than a pencil. It should be noted that 32 pipes in the case are functional.

The windchests for all the manual division pipes are new, but still incorporate the pitman style action used in the original Pilcher windchests. The original Pilcher offset and pedal windchests were retained, but were completely restored.

The original tonal concept of the organ was retained. Of special significance are the five excellent reed ranks that Pilcher's secured from Gottfried of Erie, Pennsylvania. Anton Gottfried was the premier reed voicer at the time. Other voices that are unique to their instruments are the choir Concert Flute and Flute Celeste, the presence of the independent Nazard and Tierce, and the ground shaking pedal wood 16' Double Open Diapason. All original wind pressures were restored and only corrective voicing was performed on the pipework.

The case of the Moller console that was provided in the past was retained. All the internal parts of the console are new and were specially designed to accommodate the console shell. The key and stop functions are controlled by a solid state multi-plex relay and the combination action is single level by Solid State Logic.

# THE BUILDER

Pilcher was a name highly respected in the organ industry and in fact was one of the oldest names in American organ building, spanning a period of 114 years. In 1813 Henry Pilcher (1798-1880) began a seven-year apprenticeship in organ building in London, England, and founded his own organ business in Dover in 1820. In 1832, he moved to the United States and operated an organ business in several locations including New Haven, Connecticut, Newark, New Jersey; and New York City. In 1852, he moved to St. Louis, Missouri, with his sons William (1830-1912) Henry, Jr. (1828-1890) and operated his business under the name Henry Pilcher & Sons. Henry Pilcher retired in 1858 and the firm then became known as Pilcher Bros.

In 1863 the Civil War caused the Pilcher brothers to move to Chicago where they formed a partnership with organist W. H. Chant under the name Pilcher & Chant. Their factory was destroyed by the great Chicago fire in 1871 at which time the partnership dissolved. Henry Pilcher, Jr. continued the business on his own for a few years and then moved to Louisville, Kentucky, in 1874, establishing the firm Henry Pilcher & Sons with his sons Robert E. and William E. Pilcher (1859-1946). The latter son invented the unique style of pitman chest later used in most of the firm's organs and, in his obituary in the April 1946 Diapason, was referred to as the "dean of American organ builders . . . one of the most highly respected men in the organ industry."

In 1883, Henry Pilcher, Jr., retired and the firm changed names, for the last time, to Henry Pilcher's Sons. The firm incorporated in 1925 with the following officers: R. E. Pilcher, chairman of the board; W. E. Pilcher, president and general manager; Paul B. Pilcher, vice president; William E. Pilcher, Jr., secretary; and Gerard W. Pilcher, treaurer. Gerard and William Pilcher, Jr., sons of William E. Pilcher, represented the fourth generation in this family of organ builders. The last new Pilcher organ was opus 1944, built in 1941.

# THE RESTORER

Quimby Pipe Organs is a 21-year old firm specializing in the service, tuning, rebuilding and building of pipe organs. The company has rebuilt, restored or crafted new instruments in many regions of the United States. Additionally, it has a tuning and maintenance service area that covers all of Missouri, Kansas, eastern Illinois, southern Iowa and portions of Arkansas and Oklahoma. Quimby Pipe Organs presently has seven full-time and several part-time employees. The company holds 268 service contracts for tunings and maintenance with a variety of churches, auditoriums, universities and individuals.

Members of Quimby Pipe Organs Inc. making significant contributions in the rebuilding of the Pilcher instrument were Brad McGuffey and Eric Johnson, engineering and installation; Randy Watkins, console rebuilding, electrical, and installation; Larry Lasater, woodworking, pipe racking, releathering and reservoirs; Chris Emerson, construction, pipe racking and installation; Kevin Kissinger, project administration and ordering; Michael Miller, woodworking, console refinishing, and installation; Gary Olden, woodworking, reservoirs, pipe racking, and installation; Mary Anna Townsend, windchest wiring; John Hendriksen, restoring pipes to original voicing; Michael Quimby, administration, new windchest design and layout, tuning.

In grateful appreciation for those who pledged to the Capital Campaign: brickwork, roofwork, and major restoration of the organ. A tithe (10%) of the total amount received will be contributed to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) for special mission projects.

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