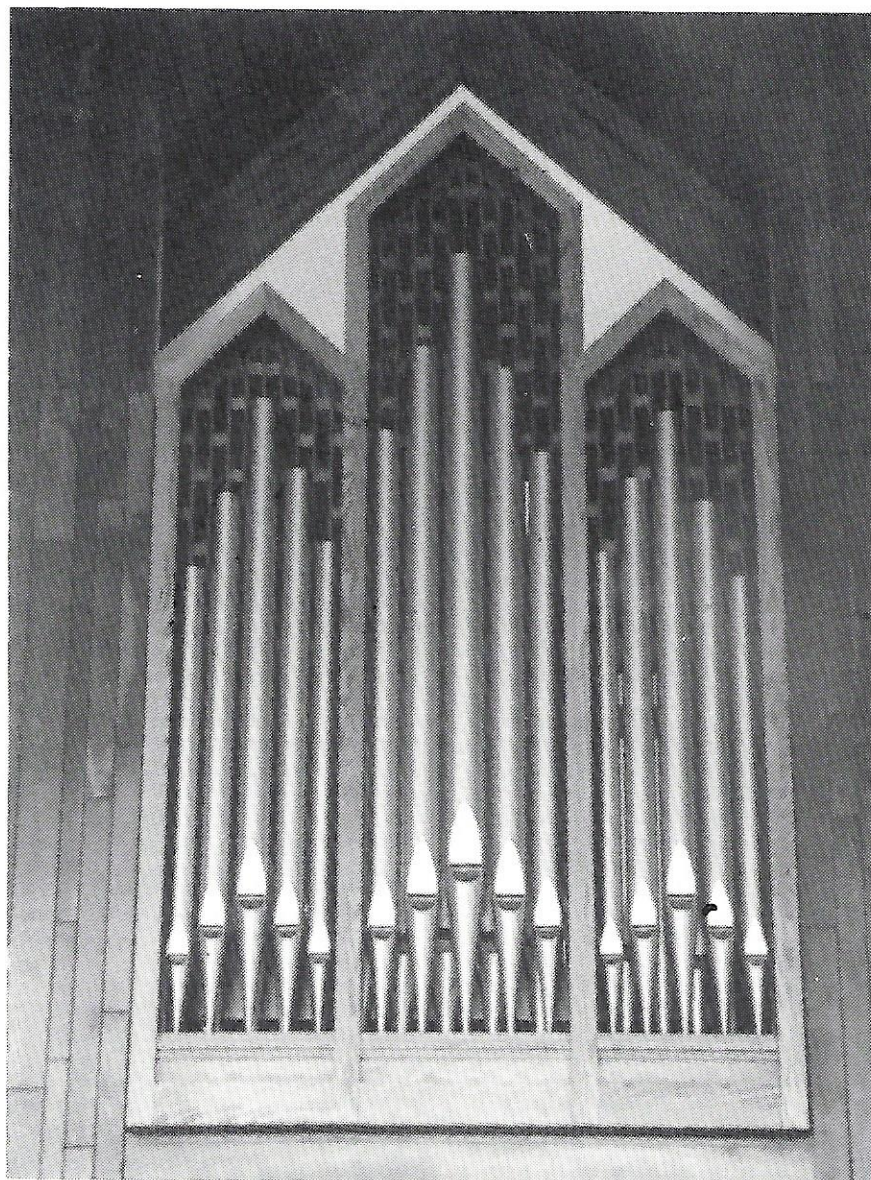


Organ Dedication



Kevin Kissinger, recitalist

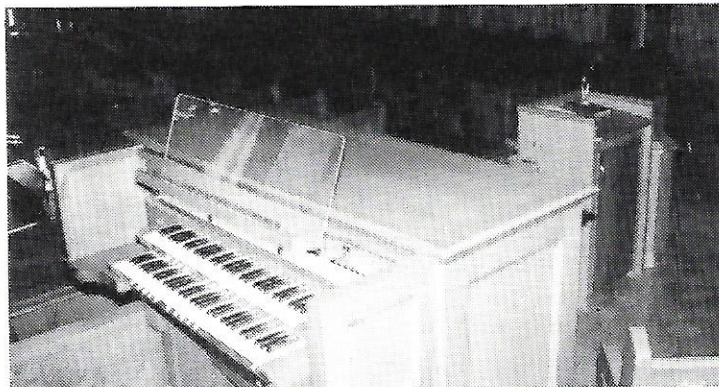


First United Methodist Church
Warsaw, Missouri
October 15, 1995

The gift

The new Quimby Pipe Organ is made possible through the great generosity of Gordon Howard Drake, Elizabeth Drake and Mary Jane Drake-Cone. The organ is dedicated to the memory of Gordon Howard Drake, the couple's daughter, Nancy Elizabeth Drake Quimby, and their granddaughter, Allison Elizabeth Quimby.

In 1987 Elizabeth Drake established the Gordon H. Drake Memorial Trust with the United Methodist Church Foundation to "hold, administer, invest and reinvest for the benefit of the Warsaw United Methodist Church" making the gift of the pipe organ possible.



About the builder

Quimby Pipe Organs is a 25-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, western Illinois, southern Iowa and portions of Arkansas and Oklahoma. Quimby Pipe Organs presently has 12 full-time employees. The company holds 268 service contracts for tunings and maintenance with a variety of churches, auditoriums, universities and individuals.

Michael Quimby, organbuilder, received a Bachelor of Music Education degree (1973) and a Master of Arts degree in music history (1975) from Central Missouri State University,

Warrensburg. Mr. Quimby is a member of Phi Kappa Lambda national honor society of music and the American Institute of Organbuilders, of which he served as president from 1991-1993. Additionally, he served on the board of directors and chaired the ethics committee (1987-1989) for the AIO. He is a member of the American Guild of Organists, having served as dean of the greater Kansas City chapter (1988-1989); the Organ Historical Society; and the American Choral Directors Association.

He is president of Quimby Pipe Organs, Inc. His company is a member of Associated Pipe Organ Builders of America (APOBA). Mr. Quimby currently serves as organist at First United Methodist Church in Warrensburg.

About the organ

The pipe organ for First United Methodist Church was designed and built by Quimby Pipe Organs Inc., Warrensburg, Missouri. It has two manuals, 10 ranks and 665 pipes, which range in size from over 16 feet in length to those smaller than a pencil. The pipes are controlled by direct valve and electro-pneumatic windchests.

The casework for the organ is constructed of oak and contains 15 copper-colored zinc pipes with tin mouths.

The console for this installation was built with tilting tablets. The key and stop functions are controlled by a Peterson multiplex relay system. The combination, also by Peterson, has 32 levels of memory. The tonal design, scaling and voicing treatment were determined by Michael Quimby and Kevin Kissinger.

Members of Quimby Pipe Organs making contributions to the

project were Derek (Scott) Brown, Chris Emerson, Charles Ford, Eric Johnson, Kevin Kissinger, Larry Lasater, Brad McGuffey, Michael Miller, Gary Olden, Peter Baratta, Michael Quimby and Randy Watkins. Additional work was provided by Thomas Anderson, Amory Atkins, George Gibson, Isabelle Hendriksen, John Hendriksen, Mark McGuire and Josh Wood.

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Service of dedication

INVOCATION

(said in unison, congregation standing)

The Reverend Roger Metscher

God of Glory, around whose eternal throne all the Heavenly powers offer their ceaseless songs of praise; grant that we may overhear these songs, and with our own lips and lives interpret them to all in whose presence we play or sing; that your church may behold the beauty of its King, and see with mortal eyes the land that is afar off, where all your promises are celebrated, and where all your love in every sigh and sound is the theme of eternal rejoicing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

(congregation standing)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 139

Lobe Den Herren

INTRODUCTIONS AND EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

Mrs. Linda Burditt
Organ Committee Chair

PRESENTATION TO THE CHURCH

Michael Quimby
President, Quimby Pipe Organs Inc.

ACCEPTANCE ON BEHALF OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. Larry Burditt
Chairman, Board of Trustees

LITANY OF DEDICATION

(congregation standing)

MINISTER: Praise the Lord, Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in the firmament of His power.

PEOPLE: *Praise Him for His mighty acts: Praise Him according to His excellent greatness.*

MINISTER: Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet: Praise Him with the psaltery and harp.

PEOPLE: *Praise Him with the timbrel and dance: Praise Him with stringed instruments and organ.*

MINISTER: Praise Him upon the loud cymbals.

PEOPLE: *Praise Him upon the high sounding cymbals.*

MINISTER: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

PEOPLE: *Praise the Lord.*

MINISTER: Beloved in Christ: Forasmuch as God has put into our hearts to have this organ built as aids to our worship of Him, it is right that we should now dedicate this organ to Him and set them apart to the holy use for which it was designed. To the Glory of God, Author of all goodness and beauty, Giver of all skill of mind and hand:

PEOPLE: *We dedicate this organ*

MINISTER: In the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has inspired His people to offer in His praise their best in music and song:

PEOPLE: *We dedicate this organ*

MINISTER: Moved by the Holy Spirit, our Guide in worship of God and our Helper in the understanding of truth and beauty:

PEOPLE: *We dedicate this organ*

MINISTER: To bear up the melody of psalm and hymn and spiritual song in such a way that people may go forth from this house of God with high resolve to do His holy will:

PEOPLE: *We dedicate this organ*

MINISTER: Hallowed also be this organ to those in whose loving memory it was given Gordon Howard Drake, Nancy Elizabeth Drake Quimby and Allison Elizabeth Quimby. As God is praised, we recall that we are beneficiaries of the faith of many who have gone before us. The memory of the just is blessed!

PEOPLE: *Thanks be to God.*

ALL: *May it please You, O gracious God, to receive and bless this organ which we dedicate to Your glory. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

Dedication recital

Pasticcio

J. Langlais

A Walk Through the Organ

Variations on Old One Hundred

John Knowles Paine

Adagio for Strings

Samuel Barber

INTERMISSION

Toccatà in d minor

J. S. Bach

Canon in b minor

R. Schumann

Suite Gothique

L. Boellmann

Introduction--Choral

Menuet gothique

Priere a Notre-Dame

Toccatà

About the organist

Kevin Kissinger, the organist for the Pontifical Choir of Kansas City, Missouri, plays Sunday Mass weekly at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Over the last 24 years, he has played for numerous Catholic parishes, and several Lutheran, Episcopal and United Methodist congregations.

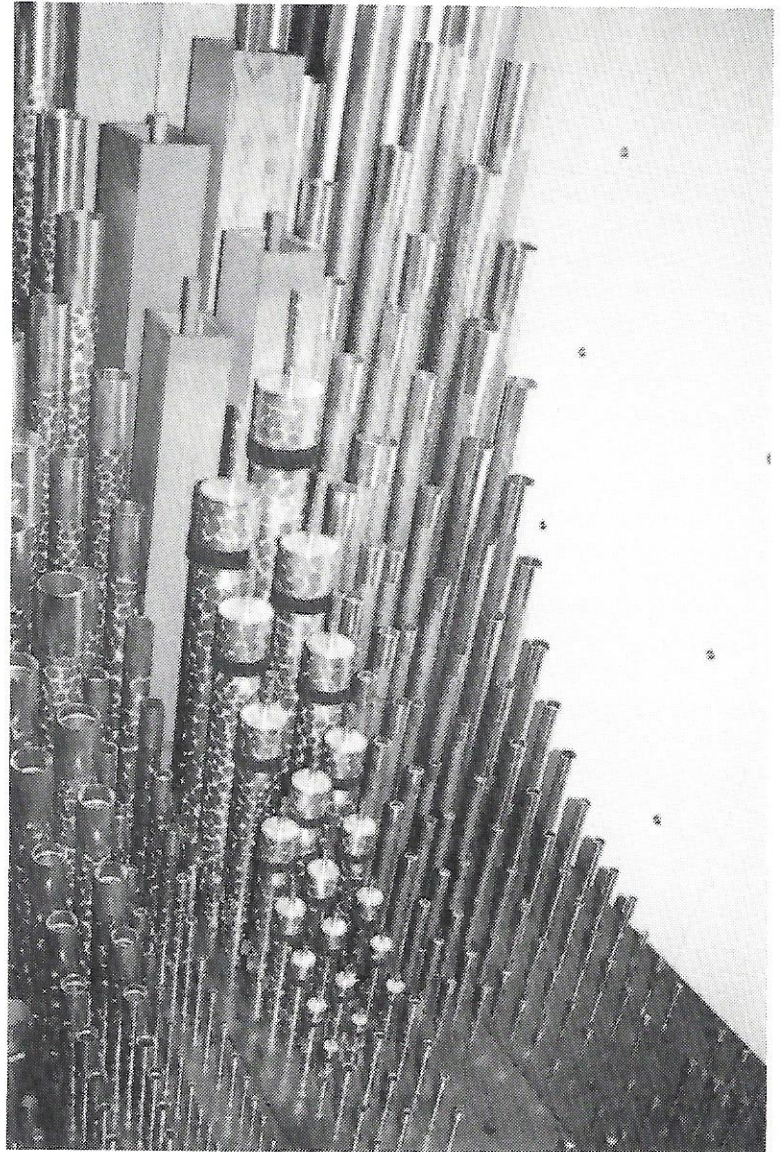
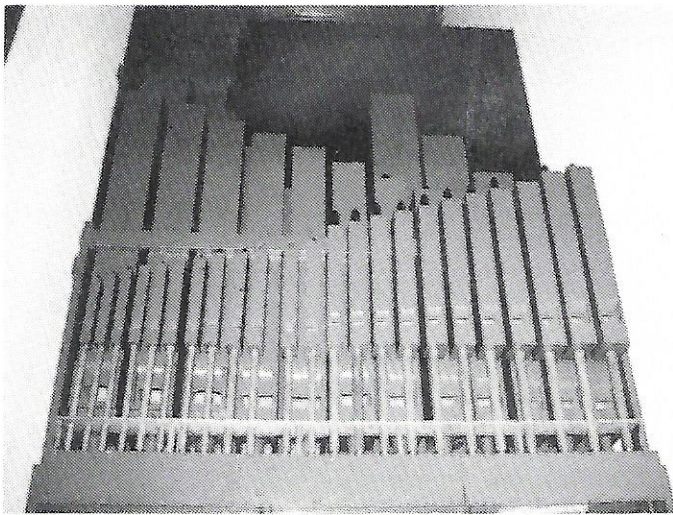
He majored in Organ Performance at the University of Missouri at Kansas City--Conservatory of Music. During that time he studied the pipe organ with Dr. James Evans. Beside the normal regimen of music theory and history, Mr. Kissinger took additional studies in composition and counterpoint. He received his Bachelor of Music degree in 1981.

In 1979 Mr. Kissinger won the Missouri MTNA Collegiate Organ

Competition, which was held in Saint Louis, and in 1980 he won the greater Kansas City chapter of the American Guild of Organists student competition. In 1991 he earned the prestigious Associate American Guild of Organist (A.A.G.O.) certificate.

As a member of the greater Kansas City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, Mr. Kissinger performed in the Guild's annual Bachathon concert in 1990 and 1991.

In 1992 Mr. Kissinger joined Quimby Pipe Organs Inc. of Warrensburg, Missouri, where he is a vice president. Recently Mr. Kissinger has concertized in Missouri, Kansas, Connecticut and Utah.



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