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Upcoming Fall 2023 Programs



Friday, October 6, 2023
National Young Artist Competition
in Organ Performance Winner
James Kealey
Calvary Lutheran Church
1750 N. Calhoun Rd
Brookfield, WI

First Prize and Audience Prize winner of the 2022 American Guild of Organists
National Young Artist Competition in Organ Performance (NYACOP), James Kealey.
He serves as full time Associate Director of Music and Organist at Third Presbyterian
Church in Rochester, New York and holds a Master of Music degree in Organ
Performance and Literature from the Eastman School of Music. He is currently a
candidate for the Doctor of Music Arts degree at Eastman, in the studio of David Higgs.
James was named one of The Diapason magazine's "20 Under 30" in 2021."

Sunday, November 12, 2023
OHS/AGO Recital
On the Historic Schuelke Organ
St. Francis of Assisi Church
1927 Vel R Phillips Ave
Milwaukee, WI



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August 2023

4 (Fri) 12:00 Mike Keegan, Horn St. John XXIII St. Mary's Church 451 N. Johnson St Port Washington, WI

7 (Mon) 7:00 GIA Summer Reading Session St. Matthew's Lutheran Church 1615 Wauwatosa Ave Wauwatosa, WI

8 (Tues) 7:30 Brenton Schmidt, Organ Church of the Gesu 1145 W. Wisconsin Ave Milwaukee, WI 9 (Wed) 12:15 Jeffery Verkuilen, Organ First United Methodist Church 325 E. Franklin St Appleton, WI

11 (Fri) 12:00 Bill & Lin O'conner, Voice and Guitar St. John XXIII St. Mary's Church 451 N. Johnson St Port Washington, WI

16 (Wed) 12:15 Dr. Benjamin Stone, Organ Lawrence University Chapel 500 E. College Ave Appleton, WI 18 (Fri) 12:00 Tim Handle, Organ St. John XXIII St. Mary's Church 451 N. Johnson St Port Washington, WI

23 (Wed) 12:15 Dr. Mark Paiser, Organ St. Mary's Catholic Church 528 Second St Menasha, WI

30 (Wed) 12:15 Ethan Mellema, Organ First Presbyterian Church 200 Church St Neenah, WI



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August 2023

Preparation – the action or process of making ready or being made ready for use or consideration; something done to get ready for an event or undertaking. August is a month of preparation for many of us. School, lessons, choirs will all soon be back in session, but before that happens there is much preparation to be done. We have music to go through, learn and order, and hope it arrives before rehearsals and it is not on back order, or possibly not even in print any longer. There are lesson plans to create, private lessons to schedule, rehearsals to schedule, not to mention recruiting new members to sing or ring in your choirs, and all of this preparation happens before rehearsals begin. Then the rehearsals and preparation for concerts, recitals, church services, and other events with the choirs and students begin.

There is much that goes into preparing for musical and educational events, long before we even get in front of a class, a student, or a choir, whether it is a church choir, a community choir, or a professional choir. Preparation is the key to the success of most events and lessons. You must study and learn the subject you are to teach, the music that you are to teach to a student, or a choir must be learned, the music you perform must first be practiced and learned before playing for the public. The list goes on and on. The important part is that you are prepared as you can be and have taken the time to do the preparation.

This fall the chapter has several events for which we are preparing. On October 6th, James Kealy, the 2022 NYACOP winner will be presenting a recital at Calvary Lutheran in Brookfield. James is a DMA student at Eastman School of Music and will play a stellar recital on the Dobson Organ. In November, the OHS and the Milwaukee Chapter will join again for the annual recital on the Schuelke organ at St. Francis.

As you finish your preparations for the fall season, I hope that you put these two events on your calendar. As always watch the website and PipeNotes for more information as these two events get closer!

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Note: Check-in takes place
15–30 minutes before the workshop.
*Limit two persons per church, unless there are multiple directors.



