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### **Milwaukee Episcopal Parish Organists Concert Commemorating Completion of The Cathedral Pipe Organ**

**Sunday – September 17, 2023 – 2:30 PM**  
**Free-will offering.**

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### **Event Highlights:**

#### **Featuring Milwaukee Episcopal Parish Organists**

**Marilyn Schröder**, St. Luke's Church – Bayview; **Scott Riedel**, Christ Church – Whitefish Bay; **Tom Koester**, Trinity Church – Wauwatosa; **David Bahrke**, St. Peter's Church - West Allis; **C. Christian Rich**, - St. Christopher's Church - River Hills; **Michael Batcho**, St. Marks Church – Milwaukee; and **Lee Erickson**, All Saints' Cathedral – Milwaukee.

**Eclectic styles of music written by American, English, German, French, Belgian, Danish, and Russian composers spanning the 1665-2023 era.**

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Tellers Organ Company of Erie, PA, built the original Cathedral Organ in 1966.

In 1966, Virgil Fox performed two standing-room-only dedication concerts for the Tellers Organ, which had 31 sets of pipes (ranks) and a two-manual (keyboard) console in the rear organ gallery.

In 1999 the Schlicker Organ Company of Buffalo, NY, renovated the organ, providing:

- A different three-manual console was relocated to the front Cathedral Choir.
- Solid state controls.
- A preparation for six additional ranks of pipes.

This project was made possible by the gift of Sue Joys and Marshall Pepper.

In 2016 an organ completion project and funding campaign in honor of the Cathedral's 150th Anniversary Year 2022-2023 was launched by Organist and Choirmaster Canon Joseph A. Kucharski.

During 2021-2023 Cathedral Organist Lee Erickson designed, acquired, and tonally finished the additional 14 ranks of pipes. Organ Builder David Broskowski installed the new solid-state relay components and console stop control board. Organ Builder Ryan Mueller refurbished the three ivory and ebony 61-note keyboards and a 32-note wooden pedal keyboard. The organ is completed and has 45 ranks and 2,264 pipes. The 2016-2023 Cathedral 150th Anniversary Pipe Organ Project was made possible by the generous donations of individuals explicitly made for the organ project.

### **Additional 150th Cathedral Anniversary Events:**

**Historic Milwaukee, Inc.**

**Doors Open Milwaukee – September 23-24, 2023**

[www.historicmilwaukee.org/doors-open/](http://www.historicmilwaukee.org/doors-open/)

**All Saints' Cathedral 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Choral Evensong**

**Saturday, November 4, 2023, at 4:00 PM**

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