

2019-2020 CONCERT SERIES

Wednesday, December 11, 6:00 pm &

Thursday, December 12, 6:00 pm

Lord of Life Choirs

Directed by **Dave Lien**

Sunday, December 15, 3:00 pm

Tickets: \$10

Westwind Harmony/Phoenicians

Directed by **Bill Shaw**

Sunday, January 5, 3:00 pm

Taggart Squared

Emma & Jacob, ages 16 & 13

Sunday, January 26, 3:00 pm

Valley Chamber Chorale

Directed by Dr. Christopher Samuel

Sunday, February 9, 3:00 pm

Gloria Lien

Organist

Sunday, March 8, 3:00 pm

Sonoran Sounds

All women's chorus

Thursday, April 2, 7:00 pm

Lord of Life Big Band

Led by **Paul Engebretson**

STEPHEN HAMILTON



LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH



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SUN CITY WEST, AZ
NOVEMBER 3, 2019
3:00 PM

STEPHEN HAMILTON



Stephen Hamilton, whose name has long been synonymous with “concert touring organist,” has been prominent on the American organ scene for over forty years. The New York Times wrote of Hamilton’s performance of the Bach *Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor*: “Hamilton, as organist at the Church of the Holy Trinity (Episcopal), obviously knew the instrument’s sonorous capabilities

and brought them powerfully to bear in a rousing account.” The Charleston Daily Mail reviewed: “This performance had to be one of the supreme moments of music making in this year’s or any other year’s Orgelfest offerings.” Throughout his distinguished career, such consistent critical review has earned Hamilton acclaim as a thoroughly engaging and popular personality and has firmly established his reputation as a leading and much sought-after virtuoso.

A native of Iowa, Hamilton began his private organ studies in the fourth grade with Russell Saunders at Drake University. His Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees were earned at Southern Illinois University. His study with John Walker earned him the Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the Manhattan School of Music. He also pursued rigorous private studies with legendary organists Arthur Poister and Marie-Claire Alain.

Stephen Hamilton now makes his home in Minneapolis, where he is actively engaged in the rich cultural life of the Twin Cities, while continuing to concertize internationally.

Litanies, JA 119 Jehan Alain
(1911-1940)

Le Jardin Suspendu, JA 71

Trois Paraphrases Gregoriennes Jean Langlais
Hymne d’action de Grace “Te Deum” (1907-1991)

Chant de Paix

Choral in E Major (1890) César Franck
(1822-1890)

Freewill Offering / Intermission

Toccatà, Villancico y Fuga (BACH), Opus 18 Alberto Ginastera
(1916-1983)

Three Chorale Preludes (from *The Sacred Harp*) Kenton Coe
Resignation (b. 1930)
Wondrous Love
New Britain

Prelude and Fugue in B Major, Opus 7, No. 1 Marcel Dupré
(1886-1971)

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