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2021-2022 Season

Sunday, September 12 | 4:00 PM

Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra

A triumphant return to the Seminary chapel, with stellar soloists Jocelyn Swigger and Denise Dillenbeck

Sunday, October 3 | 4:00 PM

Gail Archer, organist

The internationally renowned performer, recording artist, and teacher makes her Gettysburg debut with a program of Bach, Brahms, Boulanger, and more!

Sunday, October 17 | 4:00 PM

Inaugural Celebration

In honor of the inauguration of R. Guy Erwin as president of United Lutheran Seminary, a festive concert featuring the Keystone Brass and Cathy Elkiss on organ

Sunday, November 14 | 4:00 PM

Wayne Hill and Peggy Haas Howell

Gettysburg's favorite baritone joins a returning organ virtuoso for a varied afternoon of sacred, classical, and popular pieces.

All concerts are free and open to the public. Offerings are received.

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Sunday, November 28 | 7:30 PM

Festive Choral Vespers for Advent

The best way to begin the holiday season. The Schola Cantorum of Gettysburg leads a service of Evening Prayer, drawing on 500 years of music of hope, expectation, and celebration

Sunday, December 19 | 7:00 PM

Christmas Offering

A great holiday tradition! A sampler of our favorite performers, this year featuring the Gettysburg Children's Choir, the Buzz Jones Jazz Quintet, Wayne Hill, and more!

Sunday, January 16 | 4:00 PM

Baroque Ensemble

Members of the Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra perform some favorites including selections from Bach, Handel, Telemann and Vivaldi

Friday, January 21 | 7:30 PM

Robert Burns Night

Our annual celebration of all things Scottish, in honor of the Bard of Ayrshire. With Cormorant's Fancy providing music and Jeffrey Greenawalt channeling Burns himself.

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Sunday, January 30 | 4:00 PM

Suara Quartet

For the first time on our schedule, a new and vibrant chamber music group, led by Gettysburg's own Adam Cordle.

Sunday, March 6 | 4:00 PM

Wayne L. Wold

One of our favorite artists returns to play the magnificent organs and harpsichord at the Seminary chapel.

Sunday, March 13 | 4:00 PM

Central Bucks West Choir

The final visit of this world-class group of young singers before their director retires!

Sunday, April 24 | 4:00 PM

Gettysburg Children's Choir

The Choir's season ends with a magnificent afternoon of pieces from around the world. This performance will also feature the high school-age Chamber Chorale.

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Sunday, May 8 | 4:00 PM

Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra

What better way to celebrate Mothers Day than with the GCO! This performance will feature soloists Felix Hell on the organ and Grace Kim on the piano – Music, Gettysburg All-Stars!

June 8-12

Gettysburg Brass Band Festival

The festival inaugurates the new outdoor platform in Schmucker Grove on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday, as well as various locations around town on Friday. A delightful time with stellar bands from around the country.

And plans are already laid for 2022-2023, including the Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra, organists Eric Riley and Felix Hell, and the Sunderman Wind Quintet. And join us outdoor for these summer concerts, with more in the works:

Sunday, July 10 | 6:00 PM

Dearest Home

Sunday, August 28 | 6:00 PM

Cormorant's Fancy

All concerts are free and open to the public. Offerings are received.

There is something about the chemistry between performers and the audience at live concerts. The response of listeners is palpable to the artists; they don't need to wait for applause to know that the room is alive with excitement, appreciation, and expectation. Audience members get to see the delight of the musicians in their artistry, they feed off of one another's energy, and they delight in the serendipitous events which can only happen when a performance is live. Even mistakes and miscues are delightful, and virtuosity is even more awesome in person.

That has become more and more clear after the Great Drought in live performances during 2020 and 2021. Like so many venues, the Seminary Chapel went dark. While we were able (because of the support of our generous friends) to post many performances, some of them specially recorded by our artists, we couldn't meet in person. And we missed it greatly! The size and enthusiasm of the audiences at our outdoor events demonstrated that Covid couldn't make us forget how good it is to gather around music.

And now we're back! Once more people are able to stream into the chapel and its magnificent acoustics. Once more the Mighty Andover organ is pumped up, tuned, and thundering. Once more we get to hear what we've missed so dearly.

We'll be careful. We love one other enough to sacrifice some comfort for one other's safety. The United Lutheran Seminary has been generous enough to open its facilities to public gatherings once the infection numbers decreased – another example of their support of Music, Gettysburg! and the wider community! And the Seminary has been wise enough to keep an eye on best practices to make those gatherings safe.

Welcome back! For over forty years, Music, Gettysburg! has provided the finest in musical performances, free of charge, to audiences in south central Pennsylvania. It'll take more than a global pandemic to stop us!

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