# TRINITY CHURCH, MOORESTOWN LENTEN NOONTIME ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

Wednesday, March 29, at 12:00 noon

## Mark Trautman

St. John's Episcopal Church Somerville, New Jersey

#### PROGRAM

Psalm-Prelude, Set II no. 2

Yea, the darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day: the darkness and the light to Thee are both alike. – Psalm 139:11

Adoration

Florence Beatrice Price (1899-1952)

Toccata and Fugue in D minor, BWV 565

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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March 1 Alexander Leonardi Curtis Institute of Music Philadelphia March 15 **Matthew Smith** Haddonfield United Methodist Church Haddonfield, NJ

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Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

### **TODAY'S RECITALIST**

Mark Trautman is Organist-Choirmaster of St. John's Church in Somerville, New Jersey. A professional church musician since his teens, he has a broad range of experience building and strengthening music programs and developing congregational song. He is an award-winning organist, and has performed throughout the United States, England, and Germany. He has been described as a "clear and communicative conductor" by Classical New Jersey and he has conducted at the State Theatre and George Street Playhouse in New Brunswick, NJ Performing Arts Center in Newark, and the Round Lake Auditorium in New York. He has also been a featured organist on CNN and New Jersey Public Television.



Mr. Trautman earned bachelor's and master's degrees in organ performance and church music with honors and distinction from Towson University in Baltimore and Westminster Choir College in Princeton and studied at the Hochschule für Musik und Theater in Leipzig, Germany. He studied organ with Thomas Spacht and Eugene Roan, and orchestral conducting with Scott Whitener. Prior to his appointment at St. John's, he founded and directed the St. Paul's Choir School of Englewood, an award-winning, community-based youth choir educational program. Under his leadership, the choristers sang on stage with Kristen Chenoweth, the Chieftains, and recorded for HBO films. He served Christ Church in New Brunswick for 17 years, and is responsible for commissioning their unique Richards, Fowkes & Company mechanical action pipe organ and developing a full time, multi-generational choral program, and an award- winning concert series.

Mr. Trautman is in demand as a teacher, conductor, consultant, and guest lecturer, and has served as an adjudicator for events sponsored by the American Choral Directors' Association, the American Guild of Organists, and the New Jersey Folk Festival. He has served on the faculties of New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers University.

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