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## **The Organists on Temple Square are “Piping Up” Noon Recitals Return Via the Internet with Kickoff Concert**

SALT LAKE CITY – The current pandemic has temporally halted the noon organ recitals that have been a tradition on Temple Square for more than a century. But thanks to modern technology, the tradition will now resume via the internet, without an audience, but with full COVID-compliant precautions. That means organ enthusiasts and fans of The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square and *Music & the Spoken Word* can enjoy the music of the famous organs at Temple Square wherever they are in the world.

The five accomplished Tabernacle and Temple Square organists Richard Elliott, Andrew Unsworth, Brian Mathias, Linda Margetts, and Joseph Peeples will each present individual recitals in a new concert series called *Piping Up: Organ Concerts at Temple Square*. The series will be streamed on the Choir’s [YouTube channel](#), The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints live watch page ([broadcasts.ChurchofJesusChrist.org](https://broadcasts.ChurchofJesusChrist.org)), and the Choir’s website ([TheTabernacleChoir.org](https://TheTabernacleChoir.org)). The concerts will be streamed three times each week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 12:00 noon (mountain).

“I’ve continued to play, arrange, and compose on the organ during these past few months,” said principal Tabernacle Organist Richard Elliott. “I am thrilled to be performing again with my fellow organists, sharing our music with others especially during these troubling times.”

An evening online organ concert with performances by all five organists will kick-off the start of the weekly organ stream. The concert, filmed without an audience, will be streamed on the same Choir and Church channels on Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. (mountain). The 45-minute concert called *Piping Up: Tabernacle Organists in Concert* will include a wide variety of music from classical to traditional hymns and spirituals. Through the magic of audio and video layering the concluding concert selection will feature all five organists playing one number!

The new organ concert series will begin streaming the thirty-minute concerts on Monday, June 22. Concerts will stream at 12:00 p.m. (mountain) on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Each concert will feature a different Tabernacle or Temple Square organist. A PDF of the organ concert programs, both for the June 17 kick off concert and the weekly series, will be posted online on the [Choir website's organ concert event page](#) for all patrons who are interested.

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Both Temple Square organs will be featured in the concert series. Audiences will be able to stream concerts featuring the famed iconic [Salt Lake Tabernacle organ](#) from June 22 to July 10. The concerts will move to the [Conference Center organ](#) beginning on July 13 to accommodate scheduled renovations to the Tabernacle organ.

Learn more about the [Organs and Organists on Temple Square](#).

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