

**Saint Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue
New York City**

Dr. Jeremy Filsell, *Organist and Director of Music*
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Sunday Recital Series

Alexander Pattavina, organ

New York, New York

Sunday, April 30, 2023 at 5.15pm

Prelude and Fugue in C, BWV 547

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Innig *from* Six Canonic Etudes, Op. 56

Robert Schumann
(1810-1856)

Poco Adagio *from* Symphony No. 3

Camille Saint-Saëns
(1835-1921)
trans. Pattavina

Passacaglia in c, BWV 582

Johann Sebastian Bach

ALEXANDER PATTAVINA is the Associate Organist and Choirmaster at St. Bartholomew's Church in New York, where he also leads St. Bartholomew's Choristers. Alex earned his Bachelor's (2018) and Master's (2020) degrees in Organ Performance from The Juilliard School, where he studied with Paul Jacobs. A native of Stoughton, Massachusetts, Alex was immersed in a musical environment as a boy chorister at St. Paul's Choir School, Harvard Square. After graduating, he became their first-ever Organ Scholar. For three years, Alex served as Director of Music and Organist at the Church of St. Agnes, a Catholic parish next to Grand Central Terminal.

Alex won First Prize in the 2019 Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival (Hartford, CT). An avid composer as well, Alex's composition for choir and organ, *All in a Stable Cold and Bare*, was written for and premiered by the choir of Christ Church Bronxville. The work is published by Hal Leonard. His organ solo work, *Prelude on an Evening Melody*, was performed at the opening of the newly reconsecrated Christ Cathedral (Orange County, CA).

Alongside the Juilliard organ department, he took part in a historic, eighteen-hour marathon performance of the complete organ works of J.S. Bach held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Manhattan, sponsored by WQXR-FM. He has performed with the Juilliard Orchestra and the Hartford Symphony Orchestra and is a frequent organ recitalist throughout the United States. His 2022-2023 season includes appearances at St. Bartholomew's Church, Marble Collegiate Church, the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, Mortensen Hall at the Bushnell (Hartford), and Trinity Church Copley Square (Boston).

Upcoming Recitals at Saint Thomas Church

Sunday, May 7 at 5.15 p.m.

POSTPONED

Sunday, May 14 at 5.15 p.m.

CHRISTOPHER KEENAN, organ

Works by *Bach*, *Buxtehude*, *Dupré*, and *Gigout*

For further information, please visit the Organ Recitals page on the church website:

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