

Sunday, January 19, 2020

3:00pm

Madonna della Strada Chapel

Kipp Cortez, Organ

Sonata for organ in A Major, Op. 65, no. 3

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
(1809-1847)

Les Corps Glorieux

IV. Joie et Clarté des Corps Glorieux

Olivier Messiaen
(1908-1992)

Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 550

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Chant Héroïque

Jean Langlais
(1907-1991)

Windows of Comfort, Organbook II

IV. "...and call her blessed..."

Dan Locklair
(b.1949)

Variations sur un vieux Noël, op. 20

Marcel Dupré
(1886-1971)



Originally from the Chicago suburb of La Grange Park, **Dr. Kipp Cortez** has been the Interim Parish Musician at Grace Episcopal Church in Oak Park since January of 2019. He took degrees in organ and sacred music at Valparaiso University (B.M.) and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (M.M. and DMA). His organ teachers were Dennis Northway, Lorraine Brugh, Marilyn Mason, and James Kibbie.

During the course of his Masters degree, he began learning to play the carillon. He was named a graduate student instructor of carillon and regularly performed at the two towers at the University of Michigan. In 2015, he advanced to Carillonneur Membership in the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America and currently serves on the Carillonneur Exam Committee. He studied the carillon with Steven Ball and Dennis Curry. He is a regular morning player on the Theodore C. Butz Memorial Carillon at the Chicago Botanic Gardens.

Previously, Dr. Cortez was on the faculty at Concord University in Athens, West Virginia as the Joseph F. Marsh Endowed Chair of Organ and Carillon, the only endowed, named professorship at the university. He taught music appreciation, upper level music history, and private lessons in both organ and carillon. He regularly performed on both instruments for university convocations and other special events.

Dr. Cortez currently lives in River Forest.