

# John Dixon - Organist, Composer

## A 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Salute to America

Augustana Lutheran Church, Denver, CO

Sunday October 4, 4:00 pm

### Trumpet Intrada

### From A Green and Pleasant Land

Turlough O'Carolan's Donkey  
O Waly Waly  
Thaxted

### American Folk Songs and Hymns

Fanfare on "America"  
Wayfaring Stranger  
Postlude on "Holy Manna"

### Pot Pourri

Hornpipe in D  
Aria in D  
Doublette  
Trumpet Tune on "Westminster New"

### A Quirky Quartet

Amazing Grace...  
We Gather Together  
Shortnin' Bread  
Chanson de Carson

### Fantasia on an Irish Folk Tune

*Theme – Aria – Duo – Intermezzo –  
Solo for pedals – Finale*

### Patriotic Finale

Postlude on "America the Beautiful"



A reception and music swap will follow the concert in the narthex.  
This program is presented by the Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.  
Donations will be gratefully accepted at the welcome desk in the narthex.

## The Artist



Born in England in 1957, **John Dixon** was not active as an organist when he moved to America in 1988. However, he filled the organ bench at his church in Virginia Beach, Va., during an emergency in 1998 – and has now been organist there for more than a quarter-century. These things happen.

John has been composing seriously since 1990 and has more than one thousand compositions to his credit, for organ, choir, and orchestral ensembles.

Today he concludes his project to share his own music in person in all 50 states between his 60th and 70th birthdays – the 50-60-70 Project. He will play audience favorites from this long journey, along with some newer pieces, chosen to create a suitably celebratory program.

## Upcoming Chapter Events

**Saturday, Dec. 5, 9am-noon - Historic Denver Organ Tour:** Experience three unique churches in the Park Hill area: St. Thomas Episcopal, Park Hill United Methodist, and Park Hill UCC. Hear members of Historic Denver discuss the architecture, and be amazed hearing the wide variety between the three organs.

**Friday, Jan. 8, 7pm-8pm - Second Annual Epiphany Zoom Happy Hour:** Zoom in and enjoy the community of the Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter of the AGO. This is a moment to share and inspire each other, coming after the busy Christmas season. Guests are also invited! Be sure you're a member in order to receive the zoom link.

**Friday, March 5, 7:30pm - Member's Recital "After Bach:"** Held at First Plymouth Congregational Church in Cherry Hills Village, hear a selection of our chapter members present organ works inspired by Johann Sebastian Bach. From homages, deconstructions, and even works by Bach's students, you will be thrilled at how nearly 276 years later, Johann Sebastian Bach still influences the organ world.

**Sunday, May 16, 5pm - Pentecost Hymn Festival, Annual Chapter Meeting and Dinner:** Stay tuned for more details for this event which will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Wheat Ridge.

If you'd like to keep more up to date with chapter happenings, join the Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. This organization is for organists of all skill levels and appreciators of the organ alike. Join, and find out how you, too, can contribute to this active chapter! Simply scan the QR code to the right to begin, or talk with an AGO Board Member at the Welcome Table.

