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300 School Street  
Clarks Summit, PA 18411

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**About the Series:**

The concert series started in 2001 as an opportunity for church members to invite their friends and neighbors to quality artistic events. Over the years the series has become a fixture in the community and has featured a host of outstanding soloists and ensembles including Bill Mays and the Inventions Trio, Simple Gifts folk duo, The Hickory Project, PSU "Essence of Joy" ensemble, Presbybop Jazz Quartet, organist Mark Laubach, the Lyric Consort, and others.



All arts events in this series will take place at First Presbyterian Church, 300 School Street, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

These events are offered as a gift to enrich the cultural and artistic life of our community. All people are welcome!

**Many of our concerts will be live-streamed and recorded on the Arts at FPCCS YouTube page. Visit [www.fpccs.org](http://www.fpccs.org) for details.**



The  
*Arts*

at First Presbyterian Church

**2024 –2025  
Program Schedule**

**Organ Mastery with Christopher Johnson**  
Sunday, September 29, 2024 4:00 pm

**Blues with the Merchants of Groove**  
Sunday, October 27, 2024 4:00 pm

**All - Church Recital**  
Sunday, November 24, 2024 4:00 pm

**Clarks Summit Festival of Ice**  
*Winter weekend of art, music, and fun*  
Dates to be announced

**St. Patty's Day with the Lyric Consort**  
Sunday, March 16, 2025 4:00 pm

**An Evening with the Seraph Brass**  
Saturday, April 5, 2025 7:00 pm

**Jazz with the Presbybop Quintet**  
Sunday, May 18, 2025 4:00 pm

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## Organ Mastery

Sunday, September 29, 2024

4:00 pm

Christopher Johnson



A native of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Christopher Johnson serves as Director of Music and Organist at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Scranton, PA, and as Director of Chapel Music at The Interchurch Center, in New York City on Manhattan's Upper West Side.

## Blues with the Merchants of Groove

Sunday, October 27, 2024 4:00 pm

With the Groovenator Horns



NEPA's premier blues band returns to rock the house and stir the spirit. Featuring Teddy Young on guitar, this band showcases the music of BB King, Buddy Guy, and other blues greats. Last time, it was standing room only!

## All-Church Recital

Sunday, November 24, 2024

4:00 pm

It is our annual talent celebration, given as a gift to the community and offered to lift your spirits. Your hearts will soar—and your feet will tap.



## Clarks Summit Festival of Ice Midwinter (Dates TBA)

Join us for a fun weekend that chases away the blues of winter. Expect a variety of activities for the whole family. There will be music, an art show, ice sculpture, and a Chili Café to get a warm lunch.



## Irish Celebration with the Lyric Consort

Sunday, March 16, 2025

4:00 pm



We welcome back this favorite *a capella* group as they lead us in a celebration of St. Patty's Day. Come dressed in green on a day when everybody is Irish.

## An Evening with the Seraph Brass

Saturday, April 5, 2025

7:00 pm



"The next Canadian Brass" is how critics describe this quintet of the world's best brass players. Don't miss this outstanding ensemble as they return to NEPA. They will raise the roof!

## Jazz for a Brand New Day

Sunday, May 18, 2025

4:00 pm

Bill Carter and the Presbybop Quintet



Our residential jazz ensemble returns with an exciting program of music, old and new. Or is it always new? This good humored band will present music from a brand new recording project, interspersed with classic jazz compositions offered with imagination and grit.