

All Saints Church, Ladbroke



150th Anniversary Concert by Kantorei Prenzlau & friends

11th July 2026

Welcome

**Thank you for joining us at this concert
to celebrate events 150 years ago.**

1876 was a very special year in the history of Ladbroke. On 24th January Ladbroke school opened, then on 6th July our church re-opened after more than a year of restoration works led by the eminent Victorian architect, Sir George Gilbert Scott.

It was a major task due to the condition of the building and the architect's wish to make it more like it had been 550 years earlier. The ceiling of the nave was removed to reveal the roof beams and the floor lowered so the bases of the columns were visible again. There was a new pulpit, pews and choir stalls and the old East Window, said to have been "disfigured by some of the worst glass painting of 1820", was replaced with a stunning new one depicting more than 90 saints and old testament characters.

The previous organ was sold and William Hill & Sons commissioned to make one especially for our church. It was first played to the public at the re-dedication services on 8th July 1876. Since then, we are only aware of two changes: adding an electric blower, rather than a boy hand-pumping the bellows and relocating the organ from the chancel to the nave.

Hannes Ludwig visited us in 2024 and admired the organ's authentic sound. We are delighted that he has returned, together with Kantorei Prenzlau and friends, to celebrate our organ's 150th birthday.

Performers

Singers of Kantorei Prenzlau

Johann Suhr - cello

Wilgard Suhr - organ duet

Hannes Ludwig - organ soloist and conductor

Programme

- Toccata & Fugue in D minor JS Bach
- Theme & Variations in D major F Mendelssohn
- Wirf dein Anliegen auf den Herrn / F Mendelssohn
Verleih uns Frieden
- Auf, Seele, Gott zu loben..... J Steurlein
- Hymn: Brunn alles Heils..... *arr.* C Goudimel
- Sonata in A minor for cello & organ A Vivaldi
- Ubi Caritas O Gjeilo
- There's a Wideness in God's Mercy M Bevan
- Fossil, Cuckoo & Swan *from* Carnival of the Animals C Saint-Saëns
arranged for organ duet & cello
- Der Mond ist aufgegangen JPA Schulz
- Hymn: Nun danket alle Gott *arr* J Rutter
words on next page

**There will be a retiring collection in aid of church funds
or you can give on-line by scanning this code.**



Thank you

Now thank we all our God

translated by Catherine Winkworth

Now thank we all our God,
with hearts, and hands, and voices;
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom His world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms,
hath blest us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
to keep us in His grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and Him who reigns,
with Them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Nun danket alle Gott

original words by Martin Rinkert

Nun danket alle Gott
mit Herzen, Mund und Händen,
der große Dinge tut
an uns und allen Enden,
der uns von Mutterleib
und Kindesbeinen an
unzählig viel zu gut
bis hierher hat getan.

Der ewig reiche Gott
woll uns in unserm Leben
ein immer fröhlich Herz
und edlen Frieden geben,
und uns in seiner Gnad
erhalten fort und fort,
und uns aus aller Not
erlösen hier und dort.

Lob, Ehr und Preis sei Gott,
dem Vater und dem Sohne,
und Gott, dem Heiligen Geist
im höchsten Himmelsthron,
ihm, dem dreieinen Gott,
wie es im Anfang war
und ist und bleiben wird
so jetzt und immerdar.

Hannes Ludwig

Organist & choir's Musical Director

Hannes studied musicology and church music and is the organist and Director of Music at the parish of Prenzlau, Germany. He is also organ advisor for the regional church and teaches organ students.

Hannes has made numerous recordings of organ music and published several books, including "*W Hill and Son (1832-1916) Organ Builders by Appointment*" As well as describing the company and its achievements, this book documents the transfer of a huge Hill & Son organ, made in 1904, from Kilbarchan, Scotland to Marienkirche, Prenzlau. Hannes started this transfer in 2018 and led it to completion earlier this year.

