

"Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren"  
("Now praise, my soul, the Lord")  
D. Buxtehude (1637-1707) BuxWV 160

Two Trumpet Marches from "Scipio" Act 1 and  
from the overture to the "Occasional Oratorio"  
arranged for trumpet solo  
George F Handel (1685-1759)

"Andante" from Violin Sonata in A minor  
J.S. Bach (1685-1750) (BWV 1003)  
arr by H Helman (1887-1968)

Three English 18th Century Voluntaries  
H Heron (1725-95?)  
M Greene (1695-1755)  
W Boyce (1711-79)

Three Pieces from 24 Pieces En Style Libre  
Louis Vierne (1870-1937)  
Madrigal; Complainte; Berceuse

"Prelude and Fugue in G major  
J.S. Bach (1685-1750) BWV 557 & 576

## Biography

Will was born in Farnham and attended Weydon School and Farnham College. As a child he had piano lessons and joined the choir of St Thomas on the Bourne. Whilst at Weydon, Will started to learn the organ and was fortunate to have lessons with David Victor-Smith.

Will started to assist at some of the services at St Thomas on the Bourne and for a time was Assistant Organist, accompanying the choral services on a regular basis. A particular highlight was playing for radio broadcasts on Radio 2 and the World Service. Later, Will became the organist of Thursley Parish Church and also played for services at St. Andrews in Farnham, where he has accompanied the choir both there and at Chichester, Guildford, Portsmouth and Winchester Cathedrals.

Will is now organist at St Lawrence Church, Alton where he plays for services and accompanies the choir. He is a true asset to the musical life of the church.

Outside of Music, Will has worked both in Banking and Social Housing.

[Forthcoming Events](#)

17 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 1.10 - ROB GOLDFINCH & GEOFF WILLIS - **THE ORGANISTS ENTERTAIN + TRUMPETS**

6 OCTOBER 2026 AT 8.00 PM - DAVID HILL (INTERNATIONAL CHORAL DIRECTOR & ORGANIST -

3 NOVEMBER 2026 AT 8.00 PM - DAVID HALLS (SALISBURY CATHEDRAL)

**FORMER DIR OF MUSIC, THE JUDD SCHOOL**

*St Lawrence Church, Alton – THE ORGAN*

Henry Speechly originally built the organ in 1866. This instrument was a fine example of that period and was probably unique in one respect in that every manual stop including the swell Voix Celeste had a complete set of 56 pipes. The original Speechly organ was completely rebuilt in 1966 by Wood, Wordsworth & Co Ltd, of Leeds. Francis Jackson gave a recital to celebrate this restoration and shortly afterwards the Society was founded by Cyril Diplock (organist St Lawrence 1961-2006). £45,000 was spent on the organ in a restoration by Martin Cross in 1993. No tonal changes were made and the majority of the pipework remains the 1866 Henry Speechly. The organ has 57 speaking stops, 12 couplers, 2 tremulants and a total of 2,722 pipes. The console has 71 stop-knobs and 38 thumb pistons. Harrison & Harrison tune and maintain the organ. The organ is due a major restoration and fund raising has started with the aim of work commencing late 2026/early 2027.



**ST LAWRENCE CHURCH  
ALTON**

**LUNCHTIME ORGAN CONCERTS**

**WILL NISBET**

**(+ TONY WILLMAN ON TRUMPET)**

**THURSDAY 25 JUNE 2026**

**AT 1.10 PM (PLEASE BE SEATED 1.00 PM)**

**(IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
JANE AUSTEN/REGENCY WEEK)**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**RETIRING COLLECTION TO COVER EXPENSES AND TO  
DONATE TOWARDS THE ST LAWRENCE CHURCH ORGAN  
RESTORATION FUND**

**REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM 12.30 PM**

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