



**WELCOME OUR NEW ORGANIST!**

October 12, 2021

Dear Friends,

It is with tremendous joy that we announce the hiring of our new Organist, Grace EunHye Oh!

Grace EunHye Oh has been performing and teaching internationally for years. Recent major invitations include festivals and solo recitals in Russia, Italy, Germany, Japan, Korea, Taiwan as well as Notre-Dame in Paris, France. She joined the faculty at Chun University, NC, as she returned to the US in 2021.

She obtained a Bachelor's degree in organ performance at Keimyung University in Korea where she graduated at the top of the entire music department. She studied at Westminster Choir College where she received the Master's degree with Distinction. At Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University, she earned the Graduate Performance Degree where she received Bruce R. Eicher Prize. During the four years of staying in Japan, she studied organ individually with Prof. Rie Hiroe of Tokyo University of the Arts. Most recently, she completed Konzertexamen at Robert Schumann Hochschule Düsseldorf, Germany, where she unanimously graduated with two highest Distinctions which was the best result possible.

In addition to winning the first prize in National Organ Competition in Korea, Bach Inaugural Organ Competition in USA, Joseph Gabler International Organ Competition in Germany, and L. Folcioni International Organ Competition in Italy, she was also awarded 2nd Place and Special Prize in the International Baroque Competition in München, Germany.

She studied with ChunHae Kim, Stefen Engels, Ken Cowan, Donald Sutherland, Jeremy Filsell, Rie Hiroe and Jürgen Kursawa. Grace will begin her work with First Presbyterian on November 8.

Peace,

The Rev. Mihee-Kim Kort

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Kort