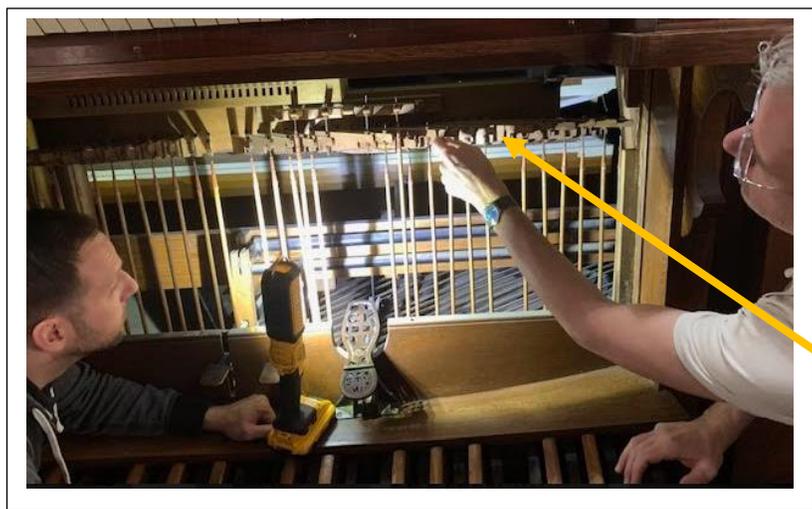


St. Lawrence Church 1910 "George Kilgen & Son" Pipe Organ Restoration Project

The St. Lawrence Church pipe organ is one of the very few to still be in full operation. Our pipe organ is registered in the Organ Historical Society database. Read about it here: <https://pipeorgandatabase.org/organ/64472>.

In 2022, the St. Lawrence Pastoral and Finance Councils approved the restoration recommendation and in January 2023, Father Jeremy Secrist and Christopher Soer, President of Christopher Soer Pipe Organs, LLC, conducted a thorough restoration assessment of the organ. While the organ is in working condition, there are significant maintenance/deterioration issues needing to be addressed. **The cost to fully restore the pipe organ to its original condition: \$94,043.00.** Specifications of Work include, but not limited to:



1. Refurbish Pipework by:
 - a. Removing all Pipework
 - b. Wash all Metal Pipework, make any necessary repairs, and replace tuning slides
 - c. Wipe down Wood Pipework, coat with shellac, repack stoppers (donut looking leather pieces)
 - d. Regulate all Pipework on a voicing machine
 - e. Return all refurbished Pipework and regulate onsite
2. Refurbish Key Action by:
 - a. Remove Trackers, Backfalls, and Coupler mechanisms and refurbish by cleaning & replacing all Leather Nuts
 - b. Remove Manual Keys and refurbish with new bushing cloth and new key covers
 - c. Return refurbished Manual Keys, Trackers, Backfalls and Coupler mechanisms and reinstall
 - d. Regulate all components for optimum performance
3. Clean inside surfaces of the organ and select components
4. Clean all outside surfaces of the organ case with restorative polish
5. Refurbish the Façade Pipes by:
 - a. Removing Façade Pipework and returning them to builder's shop
 - b. Strip old paint, repair Façade Pipework where necessary, and repaint Façade Pipework gold lacquer
 - c. Return all refurbished Façade Pipework and regulate onsite



6. Install new Blower and Blower Enclosure including:
 - a. Purchase a new Blower built for 110v, Single-Phase, AC power. (CHURCH to provide all necessary electrical equipment to hookup and switch the new Blower)
 Provide a Blower Enclosure with baffle to reduce noise.
 Locate the new Blower next to the organ case if possible.
 Install a new Windline from the Blower to the existing Windline into the Reservoir.

7. Regulate, Test, and Tune the entire organ.

What do our Parishioners think?

"It's nostalgic and part of our history."
 "We are so proud it's still working and in OUR church."
 "We love it's sound and its beauty."

FUNDING THE PROJECT

St. Lawrence is fortunate to receive \$10,000.00 from the AJ Schwartze Grant Foundation to partially fund this project. Funding will also come from the St. Lawrence Main and Restoration bank accounts. To make a donation or pledge toward this historic restoration project, simply complete bottom, detach, place in envelope marked "Pipe Organ Restoration" and put in the collection or mail to: St. Lawrence Church, 246 Main Street, St. Elizabeth, MO 65075. Your generosity towards this project is greatly appreciated.

YES, I would like to be part of the project by DONATING NOW towards the Pipe Organ Restoration. Enclosed is my check, money order, or cash for \$ _____.

Name: _____

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Please send me confirmation of this donation.

YES, I would like to be part of the project by making a PLEDGE towards the Pipe Organ Restoration. I want to promise \$ _____ payable by November 1, 2023.

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Pledge donors will be contacted by email to make payment arrangements.