FRIDAY MUSIC AT MIDDAY

National City Christian Church
5 Thomas Circle, NW
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SAMANTHA SCHEFF
Organist

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PROGRAM

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Veni Creator Spiritus
   Nicolas de Grigny (1672-1702)
Dialogue sur les Grandes Jeux

Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr, BWV 675
   J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Trio Sonata No. 2 in C Minor
   J. S. Bach
   II. Largo
   III. Allegro

Festal March
   Florence B. Price (1887–1953)

Prelude on 'Nettleton'
   Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

Every Time I Feel the Spirit
   arr. Richard Elliott (b. 1957)

This program was recorded at St. John’s Church, Lafayette Square.

MEET THE ARTIST

Samantha Scheff is currently the Associate Organist at St. John’s Church (Episcopal), Lafayette Square, Washington, D.C. She holds a Master’s Degree in Organ Performance from Rutgers University, where she studied with Renée Anne Louprette. She has made recent recital appearances at Marble Collegiate Church in Manhattan, the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, D.C., Christ Episcopal Church in New Brunswick, New Jersey, and the Hall of Philosophy in Mount Gretna, Pennsylvania. Samantha was awarded second place in both the 2019 Brooklyn AGO Competition and the 2019 West Chester University International Organ Competition. She holds an undergraduate degree in music from University of Maryland, College Park and has served as Organ Scholar at the historic New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C. and Director of Music at Trinity Episcopal Church in Asbury Park, New Jersey.
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