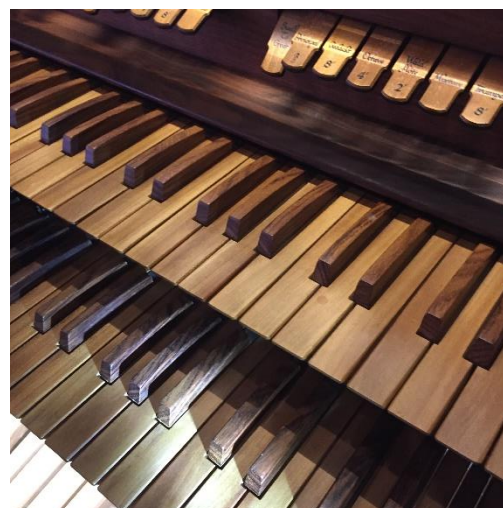


The organ restoration fund has now cleared \$70,000. The first three phases of the five-phase restoration are now fully funded. Phase 2, the restoration of the Swell will be complete with the return and tuning of the pipework this month. The third phase, the restoration of the Pedal division, will immediately follow.

Funding for Phase 4 is now underway. Phase 4 involves the restoration of the three wind reservoirs supplying wind (air) to the pipes of the Great, the Swell and Pedal Divisions of the organ. Without a reliable supply of wind from the wind reservoirs our newly restored pipes will stand tuned and ready but their performance and their full sound will be less than optimal and even unreliable.

Still unfunded, Phase 5 is targeted at the restoration of the keydesk, pedalboard, stop tablets and combination action. This is the phase that impacts the organist's interaction with and control of the instrument. The renovations here will regulate and improve keyboard touch, increase the available number of presets, and allow for greater flexibility in support of church services.



Thank you to all our McAllister church members and friends who have given so generously and who have provided the funds to complete the first three phases of this significant and important undertaking. As with any endeavor, the final reach for the top can be the most challenging. Two important remaining phases of the restoration remain to be funded. Our goal is in sight!

**Restoration of the Swell division of the Holtkamp pipe organ at McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church will be completed this month.**



*Thomas Rohlf inspects and cleans the pallet valves of the Swell Division of the pipe organ.*



*The Tremolo driver is reinstalled.*

The Schwimmer and Tremolo have been re-installed, pallet valves cleaned, and final preparations have been made ahead of the return of the Swell pipework later this month. Once the pipes are tuned the Swell division of the organ will be back in play together with the restored Great. Next up is the restoration of the Pedal division. The pipework for the Pedal division is found behind the large pipes in the "wings" on the left and right of the facade of the organ. The Pedal pipework is larger generally than that of the Great and the Swell. Like the Swell the Pedal division also includes some wooden pipes.



*Thomas Rohlf inspects one of the pipes from the Pipe division of the organ as he plans this third phase of the restoration.*