

## Christopher Loemker - biography

Chris is a native of Edwardsville, Illinois and earned a degree in Organ Performance from the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University—Bloomington. With three decades of experience in church music, he is owner/principal of Allen Organs Midwest in Marine, Illinois ([www.allenorgansmidwest.com](http://www.allenorgansmidwest.com)), providing new & used organs and service & support to many area institutions. He is music director and main organist at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Collinsville, Illinois. He is CEO & Director of Product Development for the Church Music Solutions company. His original church hymn collection *Sonus Novus, Vol. 3* is published by Concordia Publishing House, where he worked as Production Editor in the music department. He serves as Music Coordinator for the Lutheran youth organization "Higher Things." An active recitalist, tonight marks his second appearance with the Saint Louis Philharmonic as organist. Chris is a pilot and manages a small farm with his wife Carmen, and four daughters.

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