

Apensen, Kirche Apensen

Kirchenstraße, 21641 Apensen, Germany



Builder	Furtwängler & Hammer
Year	1853
Period/Style	Romantic
Stops	19
Keyboards	2+P
Keyaction	tracker/mechanical
Tuning	Equal

Description

The organ in Apensen's Evangelical Lutheran Church was originally built by Philipp Furtwängler in 1853 for an older church and later served as a model for the new organ in Twielenfleth (Altes Land). After the construction of a new church building in Apensen in 1910, the organ was reassembled in the new structure but with several modifications. In 1953, the organ underwent a pseudo-baroque transformation that significantly altered its original state. This condition persisted until 2014 when Orgelbau Rowan West undertook a restoration project to return the organ to its original 1853 state. The restored organ was inaugurated on February 8, 2015.

The original disposition of the organ featured 19 stops across two manuals and a pedal, including principal and flue pipes typical of the 19th century organ construction. Over the years, various modifications were made, such as the addition of pneumatic components and changes in the wind pressure and pipe ranks. The most significant alterations occurred in 1953 under the guidance of church music director A. Hoppe and the Kemper company, which further transformed the organ's character. The 2014/15 restoration by Rowan West meticulously reversed these changes, reinstating the original disposition and relocating the organ from the tower space to a more prominent position within the church. The restoration also involved the work of restorer Dietrich Wellmer to restore the original color scheme of the organ.

Stoplist/Disposition

Manual I	Manual II	Pedal
Bordun 16'	Geigenprinzipal 8'	Subbaß 16'
Prinzipal 8'	Gedackt 8'	Oktave 8'
Rohrflöte 8'	Gemshorn 4'	Oktave 4'
Oktave 4'	Flageolet 2'	Posaune 16'
Gedackt 4'	Spitzig 2f.	
Quinte 2 2/3'		
Oktave 2'		
Tertia 1 3/5'		
Mixtur 3f.		
Trompete 8'		

Additional: Manualkoppel (II/I), Pedalkoppel I (I/P)

Sources

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