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September, 2019 update



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Steinway Restoration underway!

Our 1925 model O Steinway Grand Piano is in much need of restoration. Donated to the Bradford UCC Church by its beloved former music director and long time Bradford resident Katrina Munn. Our Steinway is one of the very few in the United States that was made in Hamburg, Germany. Pianos made in Germany are considered by many to be superior in sound, character and feel. Our goal is to invest the necessary restoration efforts in order to bring the piano back to its melodic beauty so that musicians near and far can come to Bradford to experience its quality and perform for the community.



On June 8, the piano left the sanctuary for its journey to Lindeblad Piano Restoration in Pine Brook, NJ where the 4th generation family owned shop has been providing world class restoration of Steinway pianos since 1920. There it will

undergo a historically accurate restoration and then will be returned to the sanctuary.

Since 1950 "Miss Munn" taught hundreds of local children on this piano and our community will enjoy the music from it for many years to come. Her desire to share her

love of music through teaching, lives on through our Steinway.

Your donations are tax deductible and will go directly to the cost of this restoration. Please help by donating here (<u>Steinway Restoration Fund</u>) or you may also send a donation in the US Mail to Bradford UCC- piano fund. PO Box 387. Bradford VT 05033. Randy and Storme Odell have kicked off the campaign with a generous donation and they hope you will join them in our effort to preserve the beauty, honor and joy that the Steinway that brings to our community.

Do you have photos and stories of when you were a student playing this piano? Please let us know!

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