



**“Detroit: The City of Churches”  
Premieres on Detroit Public TV / PBS Dec. 12, 2022**

Detroit (Dec. 5, 2022) – In celebration of the 2022 Christmas season, director / producer Keith Famie and his Visionalist Entertainment Productions team will unveil their new 90-minute documentary, “Detroit: The City of Churches,” debuting on Detroit Public TV (PBS) Dec. 12, 2022 at 8 p.m.

The film, introduced by Detroit longtime news personality Chuck Gaidica, takes the audience on an in-depth look at Detroit’s history from the perspective of 17 of Detroit’s most beloved and iconic houses of worship.

Detroit, at one time, had more churches per square mile than any other city in the country, serving a population of multiple nationalities and many faiths. “Detroit: The City of Churches “ captures the city’s early settlers, as well as the Underground Railroad, automotive boom and civil rights movement to frame how Detroit’s spiritual leaders, their places of worship and their congregations helped guide the city as it is known today.

As part of this story, the audience will gain a deeper understanding of the origin of stained glass, various architectural designs, the significance of church bells, the historic organs that drive the Sunday services, Pewabic Pottery and the history of Detroit’s Eastern Market.

The film also features an important story about the impact the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Felician Sisters had on many congregations. To add a unique storytelling dimension, Famie and his team built and filmed 60 custom historical image sets over a three-week period which are seen throughout the documentary.

To learn more about the film’s production and how you can be featured as supporter, please go to [www.detroitcityofchurches.com](http://www.detroitcityofchurches.com).

Detroit Public TV provides its own platform for churches in the city through its series, The Black Church in Detroit, featuring in-depth and heartfelt explorations of the dramatic and decisive role that the Black church has played in the history of the city. To learn more about the initiative, please visit: <https://www.onedetroitpbs.org/abj-church/>