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Innovative Spacemusic duo Guitar Pilots return to the remarkable setting of St. Mary's Hamilton Village and The Gatherings Concert Series on Saturday 22 April 2017. Local guitar sensation Andy Chalfen is set to provide an opening set, at this 25th anniversary free admission event.

Guitar Pilots is the spacemusic duo of Art Cohen and Scott Watkins. Their music features lengthy structured improvisational pieces which transport the listener to the depths of space, all the while focusing on each precious unfolding moment. Cohen's sequencer-like echoing guitar figures provide rhythmic propulsion, while Watkins' breathing chords and sub-octave rumblings build a foundation for both musicians to rise in melodic flights. Singing glissando blends seamlessly with plucks, twangs and blasts of an interstellar beam. Following the trail blazed by Pink Floyd, The Grateful Dead, and the Berlin School, Guitar Pilots carve out their own unique sonic territory that is both organic as the earth below and as far-reaching as a distant pulsar.

While composing, recording and performing at an extensive range of indie venues, rock guitarist Andy Chalfen also developed his spacey side. As a collection of effects pedals expanded, so did his understanding of spontaneous composition - which led to the ever-deepening satisfaction of innovation. Now with the ability to produce wondrously filtered tones, layers of chords and repeating motifs - all produced in real time, Chalfen's soundspace speaks in clean chords and writhing melodies, with an honesty that few can call forth.

The Gatherings Concert Series presents Guitar Pilots plus Andy Chalfen live in concert on Saturday 22 April 2017 at 8:00PM (doors open at 7:30pm) in the church sanctuary of St. Mary's Hamilton Village 3916 Locust Walk (just east of 40th & Locust) on the Penn campus in West Philadelphia.
Free Admission. No reservation necessary. Donations Gratefully Accepted!

Marking it 25th anniversary in 2017, The Gatherings Concert Series is presented by the all-volunteer staff of The Corporation for Innovative Music and Arts of PA, an IRS recognized 501(c)3 charity.

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