

A Choir Family Newsletter!
Friday 14 September 2018

FACE BOOK: Did you know there is a Music at Grace Church Facebook page? There is. We use it to get the word out about all the musical offerings that take place at the Church especially those of the choirs!
HELP US build the community of followers and listeners to the choirs – **FRIEND THE Music at Grace Church** page and let the word spread ☺

RECRUITING is never over!

We have an amazing group of novice choristers for the fall term but...
If anyone asks, it is never too late to join the choir and they should reach out to me at: gracechoir1894@gmail.com

For entering 4th and 5th graders it is also not too late to join as new choristers, we have had good luck at getting them up to speed quickly as your children are the best teachers. What schedule a 4th or 5th grader might follow would depend on the child and their family.

Note about third grade juniors: the third grade juniors will only attend the Tuesday rehearsal session from 5:00 – 6:30. Older juniors still also attend for boys, Thursday morning or girls, Friday morning practice.

This year we will have the second season for 2nd grade novices! Last year was a great success and these now third graders fast tracked themselves to junior level ahead of what I thought would happen. I am so proud of them.

HOMEWORK FOR SENIOR CHORISTERS:

Please locate a recording with your parents approval and listen to:

1. BOYS: Rejoice in the Lamb, B. Britten
2. GIRLS: A CEREMONY OF CAROLS, B. Britten
3. BOTH: J.S. Bach Motet: "Der Geist hilft unser Schwachheit auf" BWV 226
4. BOTH: Bernstein Chichester Psalms (I love the recording by the Wells Cathedral Choir)

THIS SUNDAY, SENIOR BOYS REQUIRED, Optional for Novices and Juniors

Sunday 16 September

Senior Chorister Call is 9:45 a.m.

Novice and Junior Chorister Call is 10:15 a.m.

Lunch after Church, Senior Boys Rehearsal from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

HS Singer Rehearsal from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

WEBSITE: www.gracechurchnyc.org

CLICK: MUSIC

CLICK: login

User Name: helfenstein

Password: Stanforldives1894

CHOIR SCHEDULES 2018 – 2019: REMEMBER Kathy's Link to our Goggle Doc Schedules, they are ready to go for 2018-2019:

<http://www.gchoirsched.info/schedules.html>

(If the heading still has 17 – 18, don't worry, we are working on it)

FIRST TWO WEEKS SCHEDULE:

- ***September***
- September 16 (Sunday)–Sunday Service-The Choir of Men and Boys
1:00 – 3:00 REHEARSAL ALL SOPRANO SENIOR BOYS (6)
1:00 – 2:00 High School Singers Weekly Rehearsal begins, Music Office.
- September 18 (Tuesday) – Regular Morning Rehearsal. Senior Boys, 7:00 – 8:10 a.m.
- **September 18 (Tuesday) - After School Vocal Coaching begins in the Chantry. Use sign up genius to schedule:**
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4ba4a628abf94-after>
- **September 18 (Tuesday) – First Tuesday Rehearsal for Boy and Girl Junior Choristers 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. NO EVENSONG. Drop off and Pick up at the Honor Room. We will work in the Chantry today.**
- September 19 (Wednesday) – NO CHOIR ACTIVITIES TODAY
- September 20 (Thursday) – Regular Morning Rehearsal for Senior and Junior Boy Choristers 7:00 – 8:10 a.m.
- **September 20 (Thursday) Regular Afternoon Rehearsal Schedule Begins for Boy Novices 3:00 – 4:15 p.m.**
- September 21 (Friday) – Regular Morning Rehearsal for Senior and Junior Girl Choristers 7:00 – 8:10 a.m.
- September 21 (Friday) Choir Steering Committee Meeting 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. *Reception Room.*

- **September 21 (Friday) – After School Vocal Coaching begins in the Chantry.**
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- September 23 (Sunday) – Sunday Service-The Girls' Choir and ATB
1:00 – 3:00 REHEARSAL ALL SENIOR GIRLS (6)
- **September 26 (Wednesday) Regular Afternoon Rehearsal Schedule Begins for Girl Novices 3:00 - 4:15p.m.**
- September 30 (Sunday) – Sunday Service- The Choir of Men and Boys
1:00 – 3:00 REHEARSAL ALL SOPRANO SENIOR BOYS
With Adults for Britten Rejoice in the Lamb (6,6)
in the Church. *Lunch in Music Room, reserve until 3:30 p.m.*
- **October 2 (Tuesday) – First Tuesday Evensong for Boy and Girl Junior Choristers. 6:00 p.m. in the Church**

SPECIAL LISTENING PROJECT:

Please find a time to watch and listen to these YouTube excerpts. They are from some of our fellow choirs around the world and are lovely and fun. They can help give us all a better idea of our tradition and celebrate the 1000 year old heritage that we participate in. I was in Wells this week and really, the church and choral tradition is just shy of it's 1000th birthday! This year is the 120th birthday for our choir foundation.

King's College Cambridge

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Wells Cathedral Choir

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St. John's College Cambridge, A Guest in Cambridge

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Salisbury Cathedral

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Please forgive the length of this newsletter. You all have lots of wonderful questions and this is my attempt to get us organized and put as much information as you have asked about in one place.

Have a wonderful safe remainder of the summer! The rain has stopped, the Swan has moved on to another boat and it's time to head to the market for the shopping.

With all my love and anticipation of a great new season, Patrick

ONGOING INFORMATION SOURCES:

*Like us on FACEBOOK! Music at Grace Church in New York

*The Goggle Choir Schedule Calendar Link: <http://gchoirsched.info/home.html>

*Sign Up Genius for Choir Parent Volunteer Sign Link:
<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30E084CADAF2BA1FA7-choir>

*Sign Up Genius for After School Vocal Coaching:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4ba4a628abf94-after>

*Accessing the Secure Choir Family Area of the Music Website:
www.gracechurchnyc.org
CLICK: MUSIC
CLICK: login
User Name: helfenstein
Password: Stanforldives1894

*REMEMBER: If your contact information changes or you notice a typo in a communication don't hesitate to let PA (P. Allen, not the Parents Association) know. "If you see something, say something"

*REMEMBER...please keep an eye out around the house and make sure you cash all choir checks you have received. When the books are closed at the audit for each operating budget year checks can no longer be redeemed or replaced.