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excellence in music and God's love for all!



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*P. Allen Greetings -

Hello everyone from the Blue Ridge Mountains of north Georgia. It's been a lovely visit. The house is all but closed up for another year and Sunday I'll fly back to the city. What an amazing summer, where has the time flown?

The choir tour to Ireland was an amazing and inspiring experience. I am so grateful to everyone who made it possible, which is all of you. You spread love and light everywhere we traveled and made so many new friends.

I am so proud of the choir for their professionalism and musical offerings. Everything we do musically and in community all season makes such experiences possible. I hope every chorister will participate in at least one tour while in the choir.

There is a lot of info below for the 128th Season 2022-2023 for family planning. No surprises, it follows our time tested track.

There has been some confusion about choir camp. We used to say it was required, but that didn't apply to families who were not back in town or had a doctors appointment during camp time. We changed to optional, that causes confusion. I hope every chorister in town that can, will attend. We prepare the music for our start up Sunday, choristers young and old can socialize and it unifies us to begin the new season. A very important activity.

Choir Camp takes place the Tuesday afternoon following Labor Day. The details are in the materials below. There will be a zoom parent orientation meeting Tuesday early evening for anyone with questions or who wants to tune in. Those details are also in the materials. As always write with your questions if you don't find an answer you are looking for.

Everyone who went on the tour to **Ireland** please bring your choir tour bag and cleaned vestments to camp or the first time you come to choir so we can store the bags for the future and re fit the choir for the new season.

If you have some time to help out at choir camp, please sign up on sign up genius below. We especially need people to help vest/robe the choristers. The more we get done on Tuesday, the easier Sunday will go.

Recruiting is never over, so keep spreading the word.

Dr. Rose and I have been communicating over the summer and he is excited to finally get to return for the Festival in February. We will continue last season's festival schedule and have everyone participate. That worked well and was such a great experience.

The Optimus from 1961-1963, William Minifie sent me a talk he gave over the summer remembering his family, life in the choir and the importance of singing hymns in his life. Bill is an amazing guy, a real renaissance man and always an inspiration to be around. [Have a read.](#)

Have a wonderful, safe and restful remainder of the summer. I miss you all and am so excited for our new season.

Peace and Love, Patrick

PS. Please have a relaxed read of the Choir Handbook over the summer. It can inform a lot about the legacy of the choir and help us all live into who we are as a community making music with a profound Hallelujah!

[The Choir Handbook](#)

If you sent me an address correction or have moved since September 2021, please remind me. We have made all the corrections, and currently I'm processing the chorister allowances. I'd like to proof those addresses once more to make sure our records are up to date and everyone gets their checks quickly.

Interested in learning Amahl?

It's time to grow a new class of choristers who learn the lead role in the beautiful opera Amahl and the Night Visitors by Menotti.

If you are interested for your chorister talk with P Allen.

The Annual Choir Photos 2021-2022

***FIRST WEEKEND BACH:**

Sunday 11 September, Welcome Back Sunday! Here we go!

All Choristers required.

9:45 call

10:00 warm up

11:00 service

Reception to follow in Huntington Close

(Enter at 802 Broadway, come around the old way - back hall by the Music Room, Nurse Wendy to the Honor Room)

***THE WEEK of 4 September**

Tuesday:

September 6 - Choir Camp Day

The Choir of Men and Boys and The Girls' Choir

1:30 - 4:30 p.m. in the Chantry.

The day to start with ice cream in the Yard.

Enter and Exit at the Broadway Gate to the Honor Room.

(Chantry, Honor Room, Church, Huntington Close, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.)

Parent Orientation Meeting from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. on Zoom.

Password if needed: 513005

Thursday:

September 8 - Special Rehearsal for Senior Boy and Girl Choristers

7:45 - 8:50 a.m. Honor Room/Chantry/Church.

Enter at the Broadway Chantry Gate to Honor Room.

Sunday:

September 11 - Sunday Service with The Combined Grace Church Choirs,

Beginning of the 128th Season of the Choirs

REQUIRED for ALL Boy and Girl Choristers (Novice, Junior and Senior)

Regular Sunday Call time: 9:45 a.m, 11:00 a.m. Service

(Enter at 802 Broadway, come around the old way - back hall by the Music Room, Nurse Wendy to the Honor Room)

2022-2023 Schedule of the Choir

1. [Kathy's Platform to view the goggle cal schedules.](#)
2. [General Orientation Materials](#)
3. [Orientation Materials for Novice/Junior](#)
4. [Senior Boy at a glance](#)
5. [Senior Girl at a glance](#)
6. [Junior Boy at a glance](#)
7. [Junior Girl at a glance](#)
8. [Novice Boy at a glance](#)
9. [Novice Girl at a glance](#)
10. [The Master Schedule \(with room reservation info, be careful on times\)](#)

Looking ahead to next season - the weekly schedule:**Senior Boy Choristers (6th to 8th grade)****Tuesday and Thursday mornings 7:00 - 8:10 a.m.****Mentor at Junior and Novice rehearsals as you can****After School Vocal Coaching****Sunday Lunch and Rehearsal until 3:00 on Sundays when you are singing.****Theo Cannon, 8th****Christopher Divéki, 8th****Arthur Root, 8th****Oscar Fitzharding, 8th****Cole Fader, 7th****Tanner Gola, 7th****Philip Molina, 7th****Sander Olinick, 7th****Lachlan Whelan, 7th****Thomas Seirer, 7th****Leo Lewis, 7th****Pablo Bordes, 6th****Eamonn Hynes, 6th****Luca Viola, 6th****Declan Gorman, 6th****Junior Boy Choristers (4th and 5th grade)****Tuesday afternoon 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. (Evensong will resume in October, Tues. 6:00)****Thursday morning 7:00 - 8:10 a.m.****Mentor at Novice rehearsals as you can****After School Vocal Coaching****James Gomez, 5th****Thatcher Olinick, 5th****Luka Tanjga, 5th****James West, 5th****Luis Muniz, 4th****William Naples, 4th****Theodore Nichols, 4th****Novice Boy Choristers (2nd and 3rd grade)****Thursday afternoon after school to 4:00 p.m.****After School Vocal Coaching****Thibault Antonio, 3rd****Teddy Armer, 3rd****Jack Avlon, 3rd****Niall Harrington, 3rd****Luca McGee, 3rd****Luca Schiff, 3rd****Landon Vincent, 3rd****Robin Strauss-Maidana, 2nd****Nikola Tanjga, 2nd****Senior Girl Choristers (6th to 8th grade)****Wednesday and Friday mornings 7:00 - 8:10 a.m.****Mentor at Junior and Novice rehearsals as you can****After School Vocal Coaching****Sunday Lunch and Rehearsal until 3:00 on Sundays when you are singing.****Pia Erwine, 8th****Ciara Gorman, 8th****Eva Gorman, 8th****Amelia Kaden, 8th****Grace Majoros, 8th****Eva Dixon, 7th****Abby Gomez, 7th****Hailey Popov, 7th****Bordley Gushee, 7th**

**Amalya Dhirmalani, 6th
Phebe Phojanakong, 6th
Bellamy Stapleton, 6th**

**Junior Girl Choristers (4th and 5th grade)
Tuesday afternoon 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. (Evensong will resume in October, Tues. 6:00)
Friday morning 7:00 - 8:10 a.m.
Mentor at Novice rehearsals as you can
After School Vocal Coaching**

**Cassie Chin, 5th
Mila Coats, 5th
Kiera Cryan, 5th
Claire Min, 5th
Kaia Salvador-Bryers, 5th
Cece Whelan, 5th
Beatrice Delaney, 4th
Josephine Lewis, 4th
Isla Popov, 4th
Madeleine Polanski, 4th
Victoria Lee, 4th**

**Novice Girl Choristers (2nd and 3rd grade)
Wednesday afternoon after school to 4:00 p.m.
After School Vocal Coaching**

**Annalise Arena, 3rd
Delphina Bragen, 3rd
Quinn Cryan, 3rd
Carolina Paredes-Goldfar, 3rd
Emi Cortes, 3rd
Esme Hynes, 3rd
Chloe Kim, 3rd
Bridger King, 3rd
Eloise McGrath, 3rd
Avery Park, 3rd
Niwako Inoue, 3rd
Wilhelmina Schuchard, 3rd**

**Ryland Goldberg, 2nd
Toby Ryan, 2nd
Leah Wilpon, 2nd**

[Important Links: Click here](#)

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If you have observed, or personally experienced sexual or other forms of harassment, or other concerning behavior while attending activities, classes, or events held at Grace Church, or on our shared campus with Grace Church School, we encourage you to notify us.
Please visit <https://gracechurchnyc.org/safechurch/> where you will find a direct means of providing feedback.**

***RECRUITING IS NEVER OVER!**

This is our slogan, so if anyone asks, it is never too late to join the choir family and be part of this special community as the music blooms.

Recruiting is never over and we would be entering that phase of the season now.

**The brochure has been posted to school families.
If you know of families not at GCS who should receive it, let me know and I'll will include them.**

Help spread the word that families interested in joining should email or call me so I can put them on the mailing list for information and to get them in the loop.

CHOIR ESSENTIALS

The Choir Words for 2022-2023 - Remember/ In Sync.

**Spring 2022 and Choir Tour Motto - Brand New Day!
The Tour of Love and Light**

The Choir Word for 2021-2022 - BEAUTY!

The Choir Words for 2020-2021 - SAFTEY and FLEXIBILITY!

The Choir Word for 2019-2020 - TEAMWORK!

**The L's of Choir:
Look - Listen - Learn - Lead!**

**The C's of Choir
Courtesy - Confidence - Communication - Care - Commitment - Clarity
- Concentration. All of these build and care for our Choir Community.**

**Here is where you find all the Choir Schedules just click!
[Goggle Cal Link to all Choir Schedules](#)**

[Choir Handbook](#)

***IMPORTANT LINKS:**

**[The Goggle Choir Schedule Calendar Link](#)
[Sign Up Genius for Choir Parent Volunteer Sign Link](#)
[Sign Up Genius for After School Vocal Coaching](#)
[Sign Up Genius Tuesday Night Parent Helpers](#)**

**Accessing the Secure Choir Family Area of the Music Website:
www.gracechurchnyc.org
CLICK: MUSIC
CLICK: login
User Name: helfenstein
Password:
Stanfordlives1894**

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[Patrick Allen, Organist and Master of Choristers](#)

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