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excellence in music and God's love for all!



## **The Choir Family News**

### **The Choirs of Grace Church in New York**

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**\*P. Allen Greetings -**

**What a great week!**

**The best Novice boys rehearsal I think I've ever been part of! What a strong team of fun guys who work and play hard. Brilliant. There two senior mentors were wise and**

supportive, Bravo Oscar and Luca Viola (We have so many Lucas in the choir! amazing)

CTPS - next week - use your judgement, some students need extra sleep, a bigger breakfast, and some are sharper and more themselves with their regular choir schedule. I support you all for the best result.

JR/SR Girls this morning, the best rehearsal in 3 years! The best attendance by Jr Girls and great work and care by the Sr's. Bravo and well done, this was a great day.

Reminder - **Choir Dress for Sundays**. The live stream viewers noticed and sent in comments (with a smile) from as far away as North Carolina.

*Dress Code for Services and Offerings.*

**Boys.** Dark dress shoes (no sneakers) with dark socks, white collared shirt and tie, black or navy pants (no khaki)

**Girls.** Black or navy dress shoes (no sneakers, open-toed shoes, sandals, clogs or flip flops), white, black or navy socks or tights or nude-colored hose, dress or skirt that is appropriate for church, no collar showing above the cassock except a simple white collar, no noticeable hair ornaments.

**Choir Clothes Closet.** Appropriate clothes available for borrowing. Helpers needed to revive the closet and freshen everything up, please speak with PAllen.

**Morning rehearsal arrivals:**

Going forward at 7:20 the Honor Room Door from Huntington Close will be locked. If you are running late, enter at the main doors of GCS and come around through the Tower into the Honor Room.

After a long absence, **Choral Evensong on Tuesday** has returned. No Evensong on the 11th, but we will resume on October 18th in the Church at 6:00 p.m. This gentle evening service takes place every Tuesday (mostly) when GCS is in session from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. It is open to the public.

The Junior Choristers and their Senior Mentors Abby Gomez and Eva Dixon were brilliant last week. An amazing and moving first offering since the lockdowns.

**Afternoon Honor Room Arrival and Pickup during the week.**

As we move past the pandemic lockdowns, choristers and parents feel free once again to enter and exit the honor room from the tower door entrance from GCS. Eventually we will move away from using the Broadway gate on weekday afternoons. It's better for many reasons. This won't occur until we all get back into the habit.

Families from outside GCS, we will teach you, for now you can continue to use the gate.

**New Opportunity** - have a chat with Patrick! On Friday mornings after the Girls' Rehearsal I'll go over to the Bean on 9th Street and have a coffee, come by and have a chat! (Friday's with Music Committee or Steering Committee like today or next Friday (3 times a year) I'll be arriving around 9:45 after those meetings end.

**Alumni News** - it's so great to be able to share the wonderful moments in choir alumni and families lives. Don't be shy, send me your news so I can share it with the community.

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\*THIS SUNDAY

*Sunday Morning 16 October, The Girls' Choir with HS Singers and Adults*  
9:45 a.m. Call

**11:00 a.m. Service**  
**No lunch or afternoon rehearsal today.**

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**Choral Evensong by The Choir of Men and Boys with The Adult Choir**  
**Sunday 16 October 2022 at 4:00 p.m. in the Church**  
**Open to the Public**  
**featuring**  
**Britten's REJOICE IN THE LAMB**

**Call for Boys (REQUIRED FOR ALL BOYS, Novice, Jr, and Sr.)**  
**2:45 p.m., enter at main doors of the Church.**

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**\*THE WEEK of 16 October**

Reminder in the mornings after 7:20 the honor room door will be locked. If you are running late, after 7:20 enter through the main GCS doors and come to the Honor Room through the tower door.

- *Tuesday Mornings – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Senior Boy Rehearsal.*  
Breakfast Club in the Honor room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.
- *Tuesday Afternoons, 3:20 – 4:30 p.m.*  
After School Voice Coaching in the Chantry.
- *Tuesday Afternoons – 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Junior Boy and Girls Chorister Rehearsal (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls and boys)*  
*Evensong takes place October to December and February to May.*
- *Tuesday Afternoons – 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Choral Evensong in the Church by the Junior Choristers (Senior Mentors always welcome). Open to the Public.*
- *Wednesday Mornings – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Senior Girl Rehearsal.*  
Breakfast Club in the Honor room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.
- *Wednesday Afternoons – 3:00 to 4:15 pm. Novice Girls Rehearsal.*  
*(2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)*  
Required for Girl Novices. Gather and dismiss in the Honor Room.
- *Thursday Mornings – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Junior (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Senior Boy Rehearsal in the Church.*  
Breakfast Club in the Reception room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.
- *Thursday Afternoons – 3:00 to 4:15 pm. Novice Boys Rehearsal.*  
*(2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)*  
Required for Boy Novices. Gather and dismiss in the Honor Room.  
Novice Girls are invited today since yesterday we missed a rehearsal (optional)
- *Friday Mornings – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Junior (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Senior Girl Rehearsal in the Church.*  
Breakfast Club in the Reception room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.
- *Friday Afternoons, Dismissal until 4:00 p.m.*  
After School Voice Coaching in the Chantry.  
Register on Sign up Genius - SIGN UP REQUIRED
- *Sunday Morning 23 October*  
The Choir of Men and Boys singing.

Seniors Required  
Novice and Juniors strongly recommended  
9:45 call  
10:00 Warm up  
11:00 Service  
Lunch after church for Senior Boys and Adult Choir

1:00 - 3:00 Senior Boys, REQUIRED for all Senior Boys  
Senior/HS Girls welcome, we will be working on Christmas and GCS Sunday music.

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**[Choir Orientation and 2022-2023 Schedules, Information and Links](#)**

**[Choir Parent Captains Link](#)**

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Parents are always welcome at rehearsals

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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.

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**\*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.

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## **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

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### \*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](#)

[The Choir Handbook](#)

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[www.gracechurchnyc.org](http://www.gracechurchnyc.org)

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