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The Choir Family News

The Choirs of Grace Church in New York

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***P. Allen Greetings -**

Have a safe and wonderful weekend and enjoy if you are on one of the ski trips!

Families of Novice and Junior Choristers, this is the 2nd Required Sunday of the season for your chorister to be present on Sunday and lead the 11:00 Service. This is an important choir commitment. Please have your chorister at the church by 9:45 a.m.

All Senior and HS Choristers if possible, please come and mentor our younger colleagues. It's an important way of paying the tradition forward and for passing on your musical and community knowledge.

Next week on Thursday 2 February there is no GCS for EC/LS Families due to Parent Conferences. As a result we lose an important Novice Boy Rehearsal that day. Please try to find a rehearsal for your novice boy to attend.

Great possibilities are:

Tuesday 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday at dismissal to 4:15

and any of the morning practices before school.

Why is the Treble Festival so important to commit to?

It is a chance for your chorister(s) to work with one of the finest choir trainers in the world and have an intensive formation experience that is both valuable and rare.

It is worth the sacrifice and inconvenience for one week.

To find this out, you have to do it.

Make every effort for your chorister not to miss anything that week.

Through the rhythm and pacing of the Festival so much is learned and experienced that nurtures and inspires our entire choir family community.

It's time for the Treble Music Festival with Dr. Barry Rose.

Like last year all choristers are required to participate.

The Dress Rehearsal on Saturday is also a requirement to participate in the concert. Plan ahead. It's an amazing opportunity and week full of amazing learning, growth and fun.

The Third Grade Novices will receive their surplice and hymnal at this concert!

The Choir Portraits are done, here is the link: [Choir Portraits 2022-2023](#)

-Important Dates coming up:

-The Festival of Music for Treble Voices with Dr. Barry Rose, OBE

The week of February 7 to 12, 2023

REQUIRED FOR ALL CHORISTERS (Boys, Girls, Novice, Junior and Senior)

• **Sunday 29 January 2023, The Combined Novice and Jr Choristers with HS Singers/ Sr Mentors and Adults**

Seniors Optional

Novice and Juniors Required

9:45 Call

11:00 Service

***THE WEEK of 29 January**

No Tuesday Evensong until after the Treble Festival, we will rehearse the entire time from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

• **Tuesday Morning – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Senior Boy Rehearsal. Breakfast Club in the Honor room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.**

• **Tuesday Afternoon - 3:20 – 4:30 p.m.**

After School Voice Coaching in the Chantry. (All slots full this week)

- **Tuesday Afternoon – 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Junior Boy and Girls Chorister Rehearsal (4th and 5th grade girls and boys)**
Evensong takes place October to December and February to May.

- **Wednesday Morning – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Senior Girl Rehearsal.**
Breakfast Club in the Honor room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.

- **Wednesday Afternoon – 3:00 to 4:15 pm. Novice Girls Rehearsal.**
(2nd and 3rd grade)

- **Thursday Morning – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Junior (4th and 5th grade) and Senior Boy Rehearsal in the Church.**
Breakfast Club in the Reception room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.

- **Thursday Afternoon – GCS Closed for EC, LS Parent Conferences.**

- **Friday Morning – 7:00 – 8:10 a.m. Junior (4th and 5th grade) and Senior Girl Rehearsal in the Church.**
Breakfast Club in the Reception room 7:00 – 7:20 a.m.

- **Friday Afternoon - 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**
After School Voice Coaching in the Chantry.

- **Sunday Morning 5 February 2023**

The Girls' Choir with HS Seniors and Adults
Seniors REQUIRED
Novice and Juniors Optional

9:45 Call
11:00 Service

Lunch for Senior Girls

1:00 - 3:00 Rehearsal for all Senior Choristers, Novices and Juniors are also welcome. The focus will be the festival/concert music.

Rehearsal Schedule for the Annual Concert of Music for Treble Voices
February 7 - 12, 2023
Required for all Choristers

Tuesday:
3:00 – 4:30 Second, Third Grade Choristers
5:00 – 6:30 Fourth - Eighth Grade Choristers

Wednesday to Friday
All Novice Choristers 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Junior & Senior Choristers
3:20 – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:45 – Noon
Dress Rehearsal for Concert – All Choristers Singing

Sunday Call at 2:15, Concert at 4:00

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

[Choir Parent Captains Link](#)

Parents are always welcome at rehearsals

Safe Church - Grace Church is committed to providing its members, staff, and visitors a place that is free of abuse and harassment.

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](#)
[The Choir Handbook](#)

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