

The Weekly Epistle  
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 16, 2011  
GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK



Dear Friends,

Much of the world paused last week when the news broke that Steve Jobs, founder of Apple Inc., had died. Jobs has been hailed as a person whose creative genius transformed the way the world communicates. My first computer was a Mac Plus back in the late 1980's. Now we have iPhones, iPads, and iTouches that are developing so rapidly it's hard to keep them all straight. These devices are the windows through which we talk to each other (although I don't think Jobs would have appreciated my use of the term "windows").

Speaking of windows, I want to encourage you to come to a special Sunday Forum this week at 10 am in Tuttle Hall. The presentation will be about the restoration of our stained glass windows in the chancel and sanctuary. Stained glass windows were the Apple computers of the middle ages. When architects figured out how to open up huge panels of wall space, and fill them with brilliant stained glass renderings of Biblical scenes, people had never before seen anything like it. Stained glass windows represented the highest technology of the day, and they told the stories of the Bible to a largely illiterate population who couldn't read them for themselves.

On Sunday morning we will have with us our stained glass consultant Julie Sloan, Tom Garcia, the founder of Gil Studios in Brooklyn that is doing the actual work, and Kevin Daly, the lead architect on the project. Their presentation will be all about what's happening behind the screen in the church, most especially the stained glass. Don't miss it!

The Rev. J. Donald Waring  
Rector

**Schedule of Services**

9:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sermon: The Rev. J. Donald Waring

Music: The Parish Choir

*Nursery care for children ages 0-3*

*Sunday School for children ages 3-8 at 9:00 am*

11:00 am

Morning Prayer, Rite I and Sermon

Sermon: The Rev. J. Donald Waring

Music: The Girls' Choir with Adults

*Nursery care for children ages 0-3*

*Sunday School for children ages 3-8 during the sermon*

4:00 pm  
Choral Evensong  
Rejoice in the Lamb by Benjamin Britten  
The Choir of Men and Boys

6:00 pm  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chantry  
Sermon: The Rev. Linda Bartholomew  
Music: Hymns with instrumentalists

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## Announcements

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 16

**SUNDAY FORUM 10 AM - RESTORING GRACE CHURCH: THE CRAFT AND PRESERVATION OF STAINED GLASS** with Julie L. Sloan, Stained Glass Consultant, Tom Garcia, founder, the Gil Studios, Kevin Daly, Architectural Conservator, Walter Melvin Architects. The current restoration phase includes the removal and total rebuild of the stately Te Deum window above the altar which measures 17' wide by 34' tall, in addition to the restoration of eight other stained glass windows, plaster and stonework. Kevin Daly, the architectural conservator who is leading the restoration will join Julie L. Sloan, who has guided the restoration of the windows for over two decades and stained glass artist Tom Garcia of Gil Studios to discuss the processes underlying the design and restoration of these intricate and beautiful historic windows. *Today's presentation is part of our fall Sunday Forum series, "The Church and the City," which is looking at how the church manifests itself in the city both physically and metaphorically. Each presentation will include time for questions and answers, and takes place in Tuttle Hall with coffee and refreshments.*



**2012 ANNUAL PLEDGE CAMPAIGN** - Today we ask all Grace Church members and friends to begin thinking and praying about a financial pledge to the work of the Lord through Grace Church for the year 2012. God has blessed us with a vibrant parish family, stunning architecture, glorious music, a tradition of reaching out to the least and the last in society, and most of all, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. In thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life, and to empower the ministries of the church, each October we urge each household to commit to a financial gift for the coming year. Watch your mail this week for pledge information, including a pledge card. Next week is Pledge Sunday, when we receive the commitments of those who are ready to pledge, and distribute cards to those who have not received them by mail.

**CALLING ALL NEWCOMERS & INQUIRERS!** After the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, October 16 & 23 there will be a meeting for newcomers/inquirers. After folks get a beverage and other treat in Tuttle Hall, we will sit down in the Reception Room and consider the range of inquiries. For more information, or just to check in, contact the Rev. Ted Pardoe at [tpardoe@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:tpardoe@gracechurchnyc.org).

**RESTORATION TOUR WITH KEVIN DALY, ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATOR** Join Kevin Daly of Walter Melvin Architects at 1:30 on Sunday, October 16 for a restoration focused tour, looking at both the current work as well as the recently restored areas which include the chantry and south transept of the church.

**CHORAL EVENSONG** *Rejoice in the Lamb* by Benjamin Britten will be offered by The Choir of Men and Boys on Sunday, October 16th at 4 pm in the Church. The Evening Canticles will be Harold Friedell's Service in F and the Preces and Responses are as set by William Byrd.

**CENTERING PRAYER 5 PM** Christian meditation each Sunday in the 3rd Floor Conference Room.

### COMING SOON

**OCTOBER 23 - SUNDAY FORUM 10 AM - CHRISTIAN ACCOUNTABILITY: INSTITUTIONAL AND PERSONAL** in Anthony Trollope's *The Warden* with Diana Benet, Ph.D. Beneath the romance and gentle comedy, Trollope satirizes some aspects of the Victorian Church of England. The Church is almost a character in *The Warden*. It is regarded by many as an entity with a life, purpose, and needs of its own, and

Trollope's plot shows that this "character" can endanger individual conscience.

**OCTOBER 23 - 20s30s 4TH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

On the 4th Sunday of every month following the 6pm service, connect with other 20s30s parishioners over dinner at a local restaurant. This month we will go to Saigon Market, located at 91 University Place at 12th Street. RSVP to Maura Hooper at [mhooper@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:mhooper@gracechurchnyc.org).

**OCTOBER 27 - ATTENTION ALL EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN!**

The inaugural meeting of the Grace Church Chapter of the ECW of New York will be held on Thursday, October 27th at 6:30 pm in Tuttle Hall along with a "No Pressure Potluck." (Bring something sweet or savory to share.) Prepare for a fun evening of planning how we can grow into the life of the church through women's fellowship and ministries. RSVP to [elanafoundos@gmail.com](mailto:elanafoundos@gmail.com).

**OCTOBER 30- ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY**

This year's party will take place in Tuttle Hall on Sunday October 30th immediately following the 11am service, from 12:30p-2:00p. Children and families are invited for spooky fun and games, including our popular photo booth, a costume parade and trick or treating in the Parish House. Kids attending the 11am service are invited to wear their costumes to church. Please lend a hand by donating candy to our CARNIVAL CANDY DRIVE now through October 27th! Contact Maura Hooper for more information at [mhooper@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:mhooper@gracechurchnyc.org).

**NOVEMBER 6 - ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

During the services on November 6th we remember all those connected with Grace Church who have died in the past year, and any others who may have died years ago, but still remain on the hearts and minds of their loved ones. To include a name on this year's list, please send the name and the service you plan to attend (9 am, 11 am, or 6 pm), to Jennifer Metz at [jmetz@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmetz@gracechurchnyc.org) or 212-254-2000, x100 by *Tuesday, November 1st*. To keep the list manageable, we will be reading the names only at the service you specify.

**NOVEMBER 6 - CHORAL EVENSONG**

MESSE DE REQUIEM by Alfred Desenclos will be offered by the Adult Choir as a meditation during Choral Evensong on Sunday, November 6 at 4 pm in the Church.

**NOVEMBER 8 - CHRISTMAS PAGEANT INTERVIEWS**

Time to start thinking about this year's pageant! Interviews will be held on Tuesday, November 8th from 2-6pm in the Music Room. Children 5 and older are welcome to participate. Only those interested in singing a solo, duet, or in a trio need to sign up for an interview. Contact Maura Hooper at [mhooper@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:mhooper@gracechurchnyc.org) to schedule an appointment for your child.

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