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## GRACE CHURCH

### in New York City



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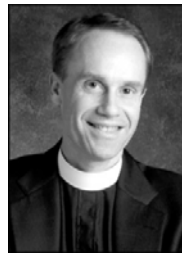
## SUMMERTIME @Grace



**Worship services continue uninterrupted** year round on Sundays at 9am, 11am and 6pm, Wednesdays at 6pm.

## August 2013

Pentecost



Dear Friends,

Greetings to you all, and happy August. By the time you read this the Warings will be on vacation, traveling the highways of middle America to and from an annual family reunion that my mother pulls together each year at a lake resort north of Milwaukee. No, none of us are originally from Milwaukee, but that's where Mom lives so that's where we go. I am looking forward to the change of pace, the recharging of my batteries, and taking in a goodly number of Major League Baseball games along the way at stadiums we have not yet visited. The fun of seeing games on the road is that they are usually between two teams that are of no consequence to me. In other words, I can watch baseball played at the highest level without the angst of wondering when, if ever, the Mets will shake their culture of losing and have a winning season.

A few things of note have taken place at Grace Church. At the end of the choir season we said farewell to Stephen Tharp, who had been Artist in Residence (essentially, part-time Assistant Organist) for five years. The opening gave us the opportunity to rethink our music staffing, and we have hired two part-time assistants who have already been working closely with Dr. Patrick Allen. Phillip Lamb will work under the title of Organ Scholar, and assist

**Program schedules change for summertime** ([click HERE](#)), but will fully resume in September. Check the site next month for a preview!

**On Fridays, the Parish House closes at 1 pm, and Church closes at 3 pm.** Through Labor Day weekend.

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**For weekly service times, check the [website](#), updated weekly.**

## **Pimms with the Preacher!**



**See August 18th under COMING SOON...**

## **Faith & Art**



Patrick at the organ console in the main church, and at the piano in the chantry. He is a student at the Manhattan School of Music, and already learning the ropes of our Sunday and midweek services. Philip Cave will work under the title of Associate Musician, and will assist Patrick mainly in choral conducting on Sunday mornings. Dr. Cave hails originally from England, and has a deep resume in church music, having sung for years with the well-known choral ensemble, The Tallis Scholars. We are looking forward to both of these gentlemen helping us to perfect our praises of God.

Some of you know that on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue the church owns two brick row houses that we commonly call the Federal Houses. The backyards of these houses form Seymour Close, the outdoor courtyard just off Tuttle Hall. In the basement of the Federal Houses the GO Project and maintenance department have their offices. On the first floor is the church kitchen, our Sunday School rooms, and the archives. Then on the upper floors are four apartments that have been used over the years as staff residences, rentals, and homeless shelters. When Stephen and Lena Tharp moved on to their new opportunity, they vacated one of the smaller apartments, actually the one that had been configured as a shelter. The Fabric and Grounds Committee, with Vestry concurrence, has determined that the best use for this space is to give it a gut renovation and rent it at fair market value. A generous donation is making the work possible, and when it is complete sometime this fall the apartment will become an important source of revenue for the church that will help us fund the new music staffing and more. And as for the backyard of the Federal Houses - what we call Seymour Close - the stones left over from the church restoration have been cleared, and we look forward to reclaiming this lovely outdoor space for fellowship events.

I wish you all a blessed and restful remainder of the summer. See you in September.

[The Rev. J. Donald Waring](#)  
Rector

This week  
**August 4, 2013**

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

See August 25 under  
COMING SOON...

**9 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

Sermon: The Rev. Stephen Holton  
Music: The Parish Choir

**11 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

Sermon: The Rev. Stephen Holton  
Music: Joshua Parrillo, *Baritone*

**6 p.m. Holy Eucharist, in the Chantry**

Sermon: The Rev. Mary Catherine Young  
Music: Hymns with instrumentalists

(Service times are updated  
weekly on the [website](#).)

## COMING SOON

**AUG 10 (RESCHEDULED!) - ECW CRAFT WORK DAY -**

All women of Grace Church and their friends are invited for fun and fellowship and crafting (items to be donated, or sold at "Grace and the Arts at Christmas" fundraiser). No crafting experience necessary! Saturday, Aug 10, 11am - 4pm in the Reception Room. Questions? E-mail [Elana](#).

**AUG 18 - PIMMS WITH THE PREACHER** Sunday, Aug

18, 7 pm-- join Father Stephen Holton for Pimms Cups, ginger beer, and fellowship following the 6 o'clock service. In Huntington Close.

**AUG 25 - FAITH & ART AT THE MORGAN LIBRARY -**

Please join the Rev. Stephen Holton at the Morgan Library and Museum for a special tour of

***Illuminating Faith: The Eucharist in Medieval Life***

***and Art*** at 1 pm on Aug 25<sup>th</sup>. Discounted admission: \$15 per person, \$10 seniors. Optional lunch at 2 pm (cost is a la carte). E-mail [Fr. Stephen Holton](#) to secure your spot! *Details, click [HERE](#).*

**SEPT 8 - WELCOME BACK SUNDAY/THE 119TH SEASON OF THE CHOIRS OF GRACE**

**CHURCH/SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES** - The combined Choir of Men and Boys with the Girls' Choir will sing **at the 11 am service**. Join us for a festive fellowship hour afterwards! (**After the 6 pm service**, stay for Pimms Cups and light refreshment in Huntington Close.)

**SEPT 12 - ECW "Kick Off" PARISH WIDE MEETING** on Thursday, Sept 12 in Tuttle Hall, 6:30-8:30 pm. "No Pressure" Pot Luck!" \* Upcoming events \* Many speakers \* Christmas Fair update. Come for fun and fellowship!

**SEPT 15 - 20s30s SECOND SUNDAY BRUNCHES** resume this month! Please note that for the month of September, the brunch actually takes place on the third Sunday (15th). We will dine at JACK Bistro, 80 University Place. *RSVP is required to [Melissa](#).*

**SEPT 21 - EXHIBITION OF THE NEW ORGAN: If music be the food of love, play on!** The second event celebrating the installation of our Bicentennial Organ. This special program of organ music **features some of our talented friends:** David Hurd, *The General Theological Seminary*; Renée Anne Louprette, *Organist / Associate Director, Music and the Arts, Trinity Wall Street*; Raymond Nagem, *The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine*; Jennifer Pascual, *Saint Patrick's Cathedral*; John Scott, *Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue (Episcopal)*; William Trafka, *Saint Bartholomew's Church (Episcopal)*. Saturday, Sept 21 at 3 pm. Free Admission - Bring a dry good to help feed the hungry of our City.

**SEPT 26 - NEW TO GRACE CHURCH?** Just moved to New York and church shopping? Don't have a grill in your studio apartment? **Come for a casual evening of fun and fellowship**-a barbecue in Seymour Close on Thursday, Sept 26, 6:30-8:30 pm. Discover this garden gem, just reopening this September, and meet friends new and old. Beat the heat with burgers and lemonade and watch (laugh?) as your clergy serve as grillmasters. *RSVP to the Parish Administrator [HERE](#).*

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