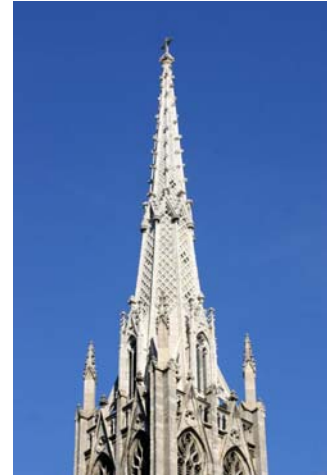


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in New York City



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UPDATE FROM THE MUSIC OFFICE...

Grace Church Organ Scholar **George Fergus**, who has served with distinction and a smile for the past two seasons, is now moving

August 2016

Pentecost



Dear Friends,

I write today with exciting news on two fronts: the appointment of our new Associate Rector, and the successful groundbreaking of the Habitat for Humanity house.

First, I am pleased to announce that **the Rev. Martha S. Korienek has accepted the call to become the Associate Rector of Grace Church**, and join Chase, Alissa, and me on the clergy staff.



In addition to a full range of priestly ministry, she will give special emphasis to outreach and pastoral care. Martha is a Chicago native and lifelong Episcopalian who felt called to the priesthood from an early age. Once she overcame the objections of her grandmother (who contended that women could not be ordained),

she enrolled at Berkeley Divinity School at Yale and graduated in 2006. She has been ordained for ten years, and for the past three has served as Associate Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlingame, CA. Prior to St. Paul's she served on the clergy staffs of the Church of our Savior, in Chicago, and St. Michael and All Angels Church in Corona del Mar, CA. She was also the Episcopal campus minister at the University of California-Irvine. The advisory committee and I were impressed not only by Martha's breadth and depth of parish ministry in the Episcopal

on to be the Gerre Hancock Fellow in Church Music at our National Cathedral in Washington D.C. Recently he married Kerri Auer and received his Master of Sacred Music Degree from the Yale Institute of Sacred Music. **His last Sunday is Sept 4.** Well done, George!

On Sunday, Sept 11, we welcome our **new organ scholar for 2016/17, Ms. Mary Pan**, second year student at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music.

UK GUEST CHOIRS!

On Sunday, Aug 28 at 6 pm, the **Charter Choir of Homerton College, Cambridge, UK**, under the direction of Daniel Trocme-Latter will sing at the service of Holy Eucharist. They will offer a prelude of choral music prior to the service so come early!

On Sunday, Sept 4 at 6 pm, the **Somerville College Choir, Oxford, UK**, under the direction of Nicholas Machin will sing at the service of Holy Eucharist.

Church, but also the ease she brought to the conversation about the possibilities for ministry at Grace Church. We are convinced that we have found just the right match for our needs at this time.

In the coming month Martha will be orchestrating the move from the Bay Area to New York City. Her first Sunday with us will be September 4. Many thanks to the advisory committee, including: Lee and Win Chamberlin, Dana Foote, Mary Jenkins, Catherine Makk, Susan Nascimento, Brett Pertuz, Jason Slibeck, Wendy Strothman, and Chris Walker.

The second bit of good news occurred **on Saturday, July 16, when 15 or so Grace Church parishioners rolled up their sleeves and participated in the first full day of work at "The House that Grace Built."** It was a stifling day, but neither heat nor humidity could drain our enthusiasm as we cleared brush, pounded nails, and dug fence posts. At the end of the day we were all exhausted, but it was a deeply satisfying effort. We have many, many build days ahead: August 6, September 17, October 1, 15, November 5, 19, December 3, 17. These dates will hardly exhaust the project, so stay tuned for even more build days ahead in 2017. To see photos of the groundbreaking, click [here](#). To learn more about the project as a whole, visit the [outreach page](#) of our website.

I am looking forward to a busy and exciting fall season ahead, but at the same time, I am hardly wishing the summer away. After the final hymn this coming Sunday, July 31st I will be on vacation during the month of August, attempting to appreciate every minute of it. Just think: four Sundays to sit in a pew with my family and be a liturgical civilian. Such fun!

See you in September.

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

Rector

This Sunday, July 31 st

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Sermon: The Rev. J. Donald Waring
Music: The Parish Choir

Summertime Notes...**WORSHIP SERVICES**

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

KIDS & CHURCH!

Sunday school is on recess for the month of August, but kids of all ages are always welcome to attend worship services. **Child care for children ages 0-4 is available all year** in the nursery.

Sunday school for children ages 4-12 resumes on September 11. For more information, or to register your child for Sunday School, please contact the Rev. Chase Danford [here](#).

BACH AT NOON SUMMER

These 30-minute meditations celebrating the music of Johann Sebastian Bach are played on the Bicentennial Organ

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sermon: The Rev. J. Donald Waring
Music: Soloist, Jeanmarie Lally, soprano

6 p.m. Holy Eucharist, in the Chantry

Sermon: The Rev. Mary Cat Young
Music: Hymns with Instrumentalists

Service info is updated weekly on the [website](#).

Coming Soon

AUG 6 – COME AND BUILD WITH US! We have officially kicked-off The House that Grace Built, building a safe and secure home in St. Albans, Queens. In partnership with Habitat for Humanity NYC, Grace is helping to transform the lives of New Yorkers in need. *Join us on Saturday, August 6th for our next build day; all skill levels are welcome. Visit our [website](#) to volunteer.*

AUG 15 – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AID TO WEST VIRGINIA –

After leading volunteers from Grace Church (and other parishes) on several productive outreach trips to this impoverished region of Appalachia, parishioner Mike Watson is called again to offer aid to White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, after destructive and deadly flooding devastated the area in June. The trip is planned for the week of August 15. If you can help or support the mission, please contact Mike [here](#) or at 646-234-5799 as soon as possible.

SEPT 11 – WELCOME BACK SUNDAY/THE 122nd SEASON OF THE CHOIRS OF GRACE CHURCH/SUNDAY SCHOOL

RESUMES – The Combined Grace Church Choirs (Choir of Men and Boys, Girls' Choir, Parish Choir and Adult Choir) will sing at the 11 am service. Join us for a festive fellowship hour afterwards! (After the 6 pm service, stay for fellowship and refreshments in Huntington Close.)

each Wednesday at 12:20 pm, through Sept 7, subject to special services. To check the schedule, visit the Music pages of the website [HERE](#).

SUMMER FRIDAYS

The parish office closes at 1 pm and the Church closes at 3 pm on Fridays from now through Labor Day weekend.

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SEPT 11 – SHAKESPEARE & CHRISTIANITY – THE SUNDAY FORUM @10 AM. As this year marks the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, thus continues a year of worldwide celebrations and an upsurge of academic interest in Shakespeare's relationship to religion, in particular Christianity, as seen in the work of author David Scott Kastan. Our seven-week series will showcase a number of leading scholars in the field, who will join us to discuss how Shakespeare's relationship to Christianity is relevant to us today. Details will be announced. *(On Sept 11, join the Rector as he reveals "what's new at Grace" this year and gives an introduction to this season's Forums.)*

The next Epistle E-news will arrive in your inbox in time for "Welcome Back" Sunday, Sept 11.

Please pray for...



Those who suffer

Cecelia Romero Likes
Bill Nave
Josephine Ferraiuolo
Howard Small
Trish Lawrence

and those who have died

Patrick Hornung

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