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September 16, 2022

**Re: Grace Church Bell Tower Restoration, Project Status Report No. 10**

Dear Lara,

As a representative for Grace Episcopal Church Newton, I want to provide you this Project Status Report. This report covers August 2022.

In August, Wathne of Structures North and I participated in weekly meetings and made two on-site inspections. As you saw yourself during your August 17<sup>th</sup> visit, Aniceto, having addressed the base of the spire in July, focused on masonry repair below the cornice with 100% deep repointing for long-term durability and water tightness. This work was more straightforward than what was required for the more damaged sections above the cornice. By the end of the month, exterior work was complete to the Bell Loft level. The exterior was washed, dried and waterproofed.

In September, focus will shift to the repair of wood tracery frames at the Bell Loft and continued masonry repair of lower sections. With the addition of lightning protection, the uppermost scaffolding will be ready for removal.

I look forward to providing you with project updates each month as we approach completing of this exciting project!

Sincerely yours,

Scott B. Aquilina, AIA  
Tower Restoration Project Manager-Preservation Consultant-Junior Warden  
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