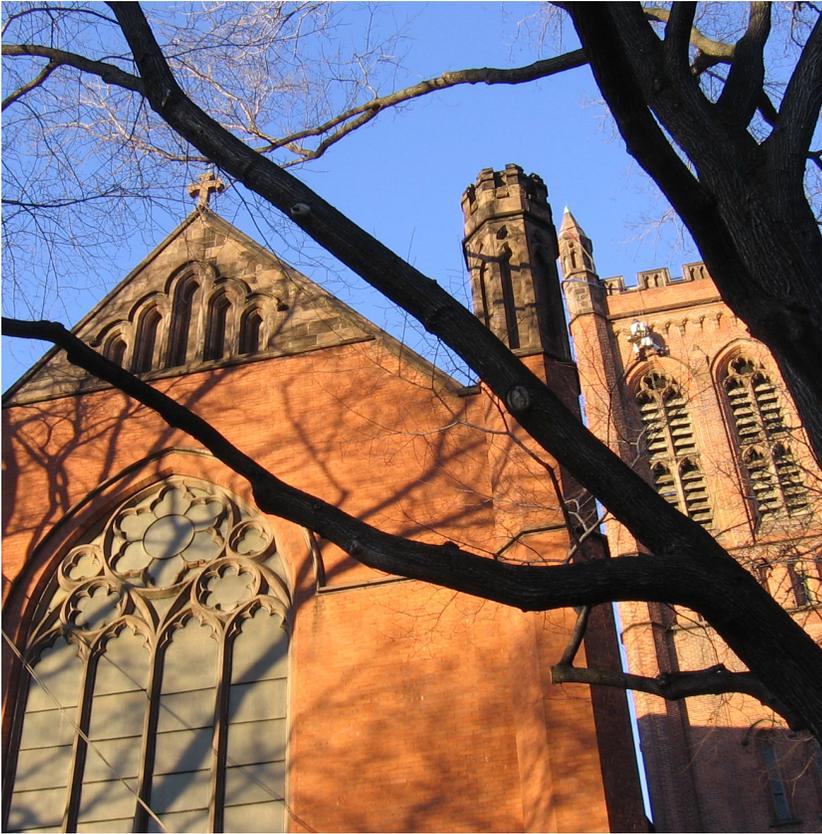


PROJECT PROFILE

General Theological Seminary Chapel Turrets and Tower ♦ New York, NY

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Building description

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd on the grounds of the General Theological Seminary with its 130-foot tall bell tower were designed and built in the Gothic revival style between 1886 and 1888.

The Chapel and adjoining tower, modeled on the tower at Magdalen College at Oxford University were designed by Charles Coolidge Haight.

They are constructed of load-bearing brick masonry with brownstone used for trim and ornament including the tracery at the arched openings, blind arcade hood moldings and belt courses.

A distinguishing feature of both the Chapel and tower are the octagonal turrets at the corners of each of the structures. At the Chapel, the brick turrets are topped by blind crenellations constructed of brownstone. At the tower, the brownstone turrets consist of ashlar units at the level of the crenellated parapet, with a series of blind lancets encircling each turret topped by a short spire.



Scope of work

- Investigated and documented existing condition of exterior envelope of the tower and of the turrets at Chapel.
- Provided live-feed video to project team during inspection of Chapel turrets and tower.

Building owner

General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church

In collaboration with

- Beyer Blinder Belle Architects and Planners
- Robert Silman Associates P.C. Consulting Engineers

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