# RAND

# **Brick Presbyterian Church**

Exterior Masonry and Roof Level Repair Program Air Conditioning, Electrical Power, and Lighting Upgrade

#### **PROPERTY**

Three-tier red-brick Neo-Georgian church with white-wood steeple, built in 1938, located at 1140 Park Avenue in the Carnegie Hill Historic District in Manhattan.

#### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

Restored the church's exterior and roof to their original condition; provided better air flow and lighting capacity to the sanctuary, chapel, and other interior spaces; and supplied more efficient electrical distribution for the new lighting layout and organ system.

#### **ENGINEER**

**RAND Engineering & Architecture, PC** New York, N.Y.

#### **ARCHITECT**

Lydon Associates, Architects



The redesigned air flow system in the sanctuary maintains proper temperature and humidity for the new organ.

#### **CONTRACTORS**

Mascon Restoration (exterior) \$243,000 construction cost

EverGreene Painting Studios (general) Arista Air Conditioning (air conditioning) Takos & K Electrical Contracting (electrical and lighting) \$242,000 construction cost

#### **SCOPE OF WORK**

#### Exterior

- Replaced defective stonework and brickwork and repointed mortar joints.
- Replicated original church cornerstone for re-installation.
- Replaced delaminating and cracked slate roofing tiles.
- Refurbished wood windows along the sanctuary, chapel, and steeple.
- Fabricated and installed new metal gratings on window wells.
- Washed exposed masonry to restore it to a clean and uniform appearance.

### **Air Conditioning**

- Air distribution in the attic and basement boiler room reconfigured to provide a better flow of conditioned air to the sanctuary.
- Installed new ductwork and return air fan in the attic.
- New air handling unit and humidifier with associated piping installed in the basement boiler room.
- Installed a new automatic control system to maintain constant temperature and humidity in the sanctuary for optimal performance of the church's new organ.
- New chilled water supply and hot water supply piping, valves, gauges, and vents tie into the existing mechanical system.



The Neo-Georgian Brick Presbyterian Church in Manhattan was built in 1938.

## **Electrical and Lighting**

- Installed new lighting system for sanctuary and chapel, including power circuits, conduits, and wiring.
- New dimming control system installed in sanctuary and chapel.
- Refurbished existing light fixtures and installed new ones.
- Installed motor starter panels, blowers, and electrical controls and feeds for new organ system.



Facade cleaning brought out the luster of the church's decorative elements.