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View of the church from the northwest (York Street at left; 4th Street down on right) showing the asymmetric composition and spire (apparently the crocket at the tip has sunk a few feet from its original position.)



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Birdseye view of the west facade and roofs of the church from the high-rise apartment tower west of the church. Aside from the condition of the roofs, the church building is generally in good repair. Note older houses to south and east of church.



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North side of the church, with nave at right, base of tower, north transept, and link to Sunday School wing at left. Note original stone and castiron fence at left and right, although the more delicate iron fence in front of the transept is probably not original.



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East end of church during the 1951 construction program showing meeting hall-apse in center, completed second-story addition at left and partially completed addition at right. Note blank eastern gable of actual auditorium above "apse" roof. (Note also brick rear of adjacent house at left.)





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North transept and northeast addition after completion.

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East end of auditorium prior to the 1970 alterations. Note original location of organ in north transept at left and treatment of altar niche.



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East end of auditorium after repositioning of organ (new Steiner tracker instrument)  
in former altar niche and rearrangement of pews.



Walter C. Hayward,  
Landscape Architect,  
1000 Broadway, New York

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Two early lancet windows in west side of south transept (different from the others).





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Interior of the first-story meeting-hall looking east. Note original castiron columns.