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Innovative Approaches to Building Decarbonization



TRINITY CHURCH

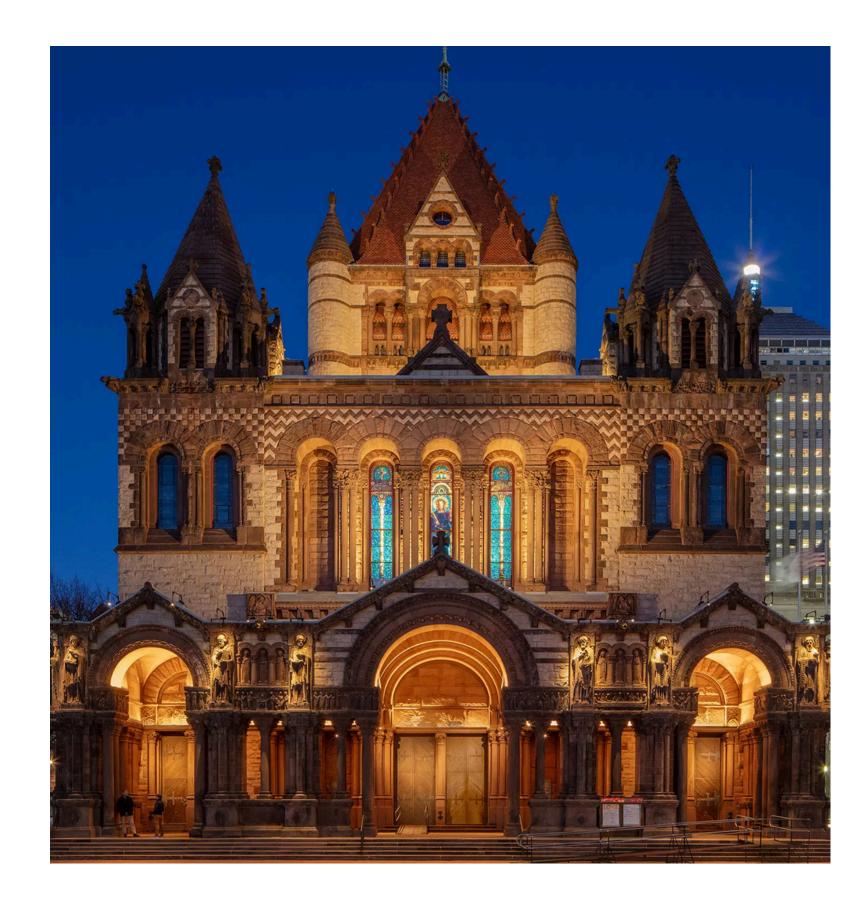
Retrofit Type:

Geothermal and Retro-Commissioning

Building Owner: Trinity Church

Building Type: National Historic Landmark, Episcopal Church

Project Timeline: Ongoing



Project Summary:

Trinity Church, built in 1877 and designated a National Historic Landmark, is one of Boston's most treasured architectural icons. A multi-phase restoration was undertaken to preserve its historic character while enhancing functionality, accessibility, and energy performance.

Key improvements included: preservation of architectural integrity, expanded and upgraded gathering spaces, and improved energy efficiency and building systems. Phase 1 featured the installation of six geothermal wells—the first ever in Boston's historic Back Bay neighborhood!

Retro-commissioning of the Parish House and Church mechanical systems identified equipment not operating as designed. Corrective actions included repairs, replacements, and a full upgrade of the Direct Digital Control system to improve communication for maintenance teams. This project encompassed approximately 60,000 square feet.

