



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 2, 2017 at 9 and 11:15 am

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY Word and Sacrament

*Please silence your cellular telephones and other electronic devices.
We encourage you to begin this time of worship in silent prayer.*

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

PRELUDE

Prelude in G major, BWV 568

J. S. Bach

Alle Menschen müssen sterben, BWV 643

(1685-1750)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

People: Slow to anger and abounding in love.

Pastor: Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life.

People: Those who trust in Christ will never die.

Pastor: In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 466

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

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CONFession OF SIN (*unison*)

Andrew D. Smothers

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. And grant, O merciful Savior, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Deutsche Messe*)

Franz Schubert

The musical score consists of three staves of music in G major. The first staff begins with 'Lord, have mer - cy.' The second staff begins with 'Christ, have mer - cy.' The third staff concludes with 'Lord, ____ have mer - cy, have mer - cy.' The music is set in common time with various note values including quarter notes, eighth notes, and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are repeated in a call-and-response style between the three staves.

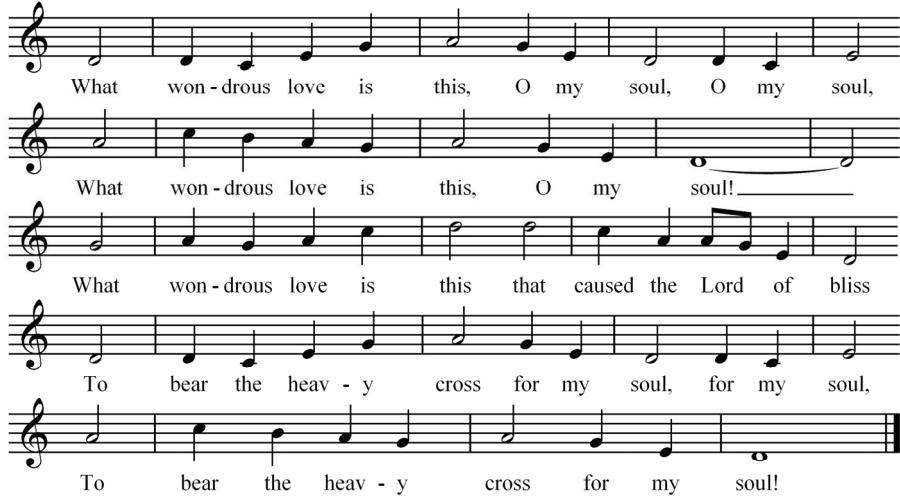
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: ... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Wondrous Love



Text: American Folk Hymn, c. 1811

Music: Anonymous, from Walker's *Southern Harmony* (1835)

*THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Pastor: The Psalmist reminds us that in keeping God's law there is great reward. Let us recount for our benefit these words of God's instruction for life:

**People: You shall have no other gods before me.
You shall make no idols nor worship or serve them.
You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.
Honor your father and mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.
Lord, give us grace to walk in this, your way.**

*PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: Since we have been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, let us be reconciled to one another.
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Greet one another with signs of Christ's peace.

Please greet those around you with: "The peace of Christ be with you," responding, "And also with you."

ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Dry Bones

African-American Spiritual
arr. Hal H. Hopson (b. 1933)

Children's Choir & Cherub Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tyler W. Orem

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ezekiel 37:1-14

(nrsv, page 759 OT)

*PSALM 130

In Babilone

From the depths of deepest grieving, Lord, I cry to you in trust.
Eagerly I wait before you, List'ning for your voice, O Lord,
If you counted our trans-gressions Who could be considered just?
As a watch-man longs for morn-ing, So I long to hear your word.
But with you is sure for-give-ness, Mer-ci-ful, be-yond be-lief.
Trust the Lord, now all you peo-ple, God's love gives us life a-new,
Here I stand, pre-pared to serve you, Filled with rev-erence and be-lief.
Sav-ing us from all trans-gres-sion. With a love both strong and true.

Text: Fred R. Anderson © 1994, all rights reserved
Music: Dutch Melody, arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)

(During the last stanza of the psalm, children and young people are invited to come forward, gathering around the Baptismal Font for the Lesson for Young Christians.)

LESSON FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Dr. Springsted

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH WORSHIP

Children's Worship – Children preschool through 3rd grade may exit to the Phillips Lounge.

Youth Worship – Young people 4th grade to 8th grade may exit to the Dana Chapel.

The Children & Youth return to the Sanctuary at the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 8:6-11

(nrsv, page 147 NT)

William A. Jordan (9 am)

Adeline Burg (11:15 am)

GRADUAL (11:15 am)

Andrew Henderson

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable unto you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.
(*Psalm 19:14*)

GOSPEL LESSON

John 11:1-45

(nrsv, page 98 NT)

Beverly A. Bartlett

SERMON

"Let Us Also Go"

Dr. Springsted

*HYMN 316

(11:15 am)

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Trentham

(We will repeat the first stanza after stanza 4.)

*THE NICENE CREED

Mr. Jordan

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third

day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Ms. Bartlett

...Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Springsted

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Out of the Depths,
Op. 142, No. 3 (1961)

Alan Hovhaness
(1911-2000)

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait. My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning.
(*Psalm 130:1-3, 5-6*)

Katherine Wessinger, soprano

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(The table of our Lord Jesus Christ is open to all who are baptized. Those who do not wish to take Communion are invited to remain seated in prayer. You are asked to join in the responses as indicated.)

INVITATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION PRAYER

"...who forever sing to the glory of your name."

SANCTUS

Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, _____. Holy, holy, holy, Lord, _____. Holy, holy, holy, Lord,

God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full, of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(Communion Prayer continues) "...the mystery of faith:"

ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING BREAD & SHARING THE CUP

Pastor: Gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Let us keep the feast.

DISTRIBUTION

When the pastors take their serving places, please come forward, using the center aisle, beginning with the front row. The white bread is made from wheat; darker bread in the center is gluten-free rice bread. The bronze chalices contain wine; the glass chalices contain grape juice. Hold out your hands, one open palm placed on the other, and bread will be placed in your hand. For rice bread, please take it yourself, exercising care not to touch other pieces. You may eat the bread and move to the cup of wine to drink or dip your bread before eating, or move to the cup of juice and dip your bread, exercising care not to touch the liquid or cup with your fingers. Those unable to come forward will be served in their pews. If not communing, please remain in your pew in prayer.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Once you have communed, you may return to your pew, or you may join one of the pastors in the side transepts for anointing, laying on of hands and prayers for yourself or for another. Thereafter you may return to your pew.

COMMUNION ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Morning Glory, Starlit Sky (1994)

Barry Rose
(b. 1934)

Morning glory, starlit sky,
soaring music, scholar's truth,
flight of swallows, autumn leaves,
memory's treasure, grace of youth:

Open are the gifts of God,
gifts of love to mind and sense;
hidden is love's agony,
love's endeavor, love's expense.

Love that gives, gives ever more,
gives with zeal, with eager hands,
spares not, keeps not, all outpours,
ventures all its all expends.

Drained is love in making full,
bound in setting others free,
poor in making many rich,
weak in giving power to be.

Therefore he who shows us God
helpless hangs upon the tree;
and the nails and crown of thorns
tell of what God's love must be.

Here is God: no monarch he,
thrond in easy state to reign;
here is God, whose arms of love
aching, spent, the world sustain.

— William H. Vanstone (1923-1999)

Church Choir & Children's Choir

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

**Let nothing trouble, let nothing frighten.
Those who seek God shall never go wanting.
Let nothing trouble, let nothing frighten.
God alone fills us.**

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CLOSING PRAYER

*HYMN 84 In the Cross of Christ I Glory Rathbun

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Dr. Springsted

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE John Weaver



*POSTLUDE 'Little' Fugue in G minor, BWV 578 Bach

Welcome! We're glad you've joined us for worship today. We pray that you experience Christ in our midst, and that his presence will sustain you in the week ahead. We invite you to place your name and contact information on one of the pew pads. If our pastors can assist you in some special way, indicate this in the space provided and they will be in touch with you. If you are considering becoming Christian or looking for a church home, our pastors would be delighted to talk with you about it.

Have children? Children and families are always welcome in the Sanctuary to worship. Children three and under may be taken to the Nursery on the 4th Floor or remain with their parents. The Narthex or the Children's Library, adjacent to the Sanctuary, are also available for families and have speakers that provide audio of the service.

MAPC Mission Statement

The mission of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church is to bring people into the transforming presence of Jesus Christ through worship, teaching the Word, Christian nurture, and ministry in and to the world. As Christ's ministers, our members are striving to build a community of God's love, justice and mercy, trusting God to lead us into faithfulness.

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