



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Christ the King Pledge Dedication Sunday

November 20, 2016 at 9 and 11:15 am

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Word and Sacrament

Please silence your cellular telephones.

We encourage you to begin this time of worship in silent prayer.

Prayer of Preparation

Eternal God, you set Jesus Christ to rule over all things, and made us servants in your kingdom. By your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to minister to all in need. Then at the last bring us to your eternal realm where we may worship and adore you and be welcomed into your everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

PRELUDE

Prelude on 'Beach Spring' (1996)

*John Weaver
(b. 1937)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: You have set your glory above the heavens.

Pastor: I will be glad and exult in you;

People: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

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

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 155

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Darwall's 148th

CONFESSON OF SIN (*unison*)

Christopher N. De La Cruz

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love.

In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Service in F*)

John Weaver

The musical notation consists of a single staff in common time with a key signature of one flat. It features eighth-note patterns. Below the staff, the lyrics are written in a bold, sans-serif font: "Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy."

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Weaver

(Cantor)

The musical score consists of ten staves of music in G major, common time, featuring a mix of soprano and alto voices. The lyrics are as follows:

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.
(Congregation)
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer- cy on us;
You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our
prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

*SUMMARY OF THE LAW

*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)

Day by Day (1977)

Martin How
(b. 1931)

Day by day, dear Lord of Thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly, love
thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Children's & Cherub Choirs

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Andrew D. Smothers (9 am)
Timothy D. Johnson (11:15 am)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 23:1-6

(nrsv, page 681 OT)

*CANTICLE (Hymn 602) Song of Zechariah *Merle's Tune*

(During the final stanza of the canticle, 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 Colossians 1:11-20 **David P. Smith**
(*nrsv, page 188 NT*)

GRADUAL (*11:15 am*) *Andrew Henderson*

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, full of grace and truth.
(John 1:14)

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 23:33-43 **Beverly A. Bartlett**
(*nrsv, page 83 NT*)

SERMON “*The Dying King*” **Dr. Springsted**

*HYMN 422 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending *Beach Spring*
(*11:15 am*)

*THE NICENE CREED **Mr. Smith**

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 **Dr. Springsted**

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

CONCERNs OF THE CHURCH

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Festival Te Deum, Op. 32 (1944)

Benjamin Britten
(1913-1976)

We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens and all the Powers therein. To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry: Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth! Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee. The noble army of martyrs praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee, the Father, of an infinite majesty; thine honourable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man: thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage. Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify thee; and we worship thy name, ever world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

(4th Century Hymn)

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. Amen.

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

Weaver

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high-est, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

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

ACCLAMATION

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Weaver

Our Fa- ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your name, your
king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us to-day our
dai- ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a -gainst us.
Save us from the time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the
king - dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours now and for - ev - er. A - men.

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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM (11:15 am)

My Good Lord's Done Been Here arr. André J. Thomas
(b. 1952)

My good Lord's done been here! Blessed my soul and gone away.
When I get to heaven and my work is done,
Going to sit down with sister Mary and chatter with the darling son.
Going down to the river of Jordan one of these days.
Going to sit at the welcome table. There, I will see my savior's face.
Hold up the Baptist finger, Hold up the Baptist hand,
When I get in the heavens, going to join the Baptist Band.

(African-American Spiritual)

Children's, Cherub & Church Choirs
Jennifer Gliere & Katherine Wessinger, sopranos

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

**Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart!**

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CLOSING PRAYER

*HYMN 551 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come *St. George's Windsor*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION **Dr. Springsted**

DEDICATION OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS **Dr. Springsted**

*Once you have completed your **Estimate of Giving Card**, bring it forward, place it in the Baptismal Font, and then join us in the Parish Hall for the Stewardship Dedication Sunday Celebration brunch.*

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Esther M. Stellwagen.

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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