



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 21, 2016 at 10:30 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

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRELUDE

Arabesque

Louis Vierne

(from *24 Pièces en Style Libre*, Op. 31)

(1870-1937)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Andrew D. Smothers

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: You are my hope, O Lord God,

People: My confidence since I was young;

Pastor: Let my mouth be full of your praise,

People: And your glory all the day long.

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

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 325

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Nun danket all'

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Elder Sharon E. Boersma

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Deutsche Messe*)

Franz Schubert

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

In Babilone



There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy, Like the wide-ness of the sea;



There's a kind-ness in God's jus-tice, Which is more than lib - er - ty.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows Are more felt than up in heav'n;



There is no place where earth's fail-ings Have such kind-ly judg - ment given.

Text: Frederick William Faber, 1854; alt.

Music: Dutch Melody, arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)

*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."*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Ms. Boersma

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 1:4-10

(nrsv, page 656 OT)

*PSALM 71:1-6

Irish



1. To you, O Lord, I come for help, For re - fuge in your name.

2. From wick - ed ones with cru - el pow'rs, Lord, res - cue me as proof,

3. You are my hope, my trust, O Lord, Sal - va - tion in this hour.



In right-eous - ness now hear my cry, And keep me safe from shame.

That you a - lone are hope and strength, My sa - vior from my youth.

On you, Lord, I have leaned from birth, You nur - ture me each hour.

Text: Fred R. Anderson © 2004, all rights reserved

Music: From *A Collection of Hymns and Sacred Poems*, 1749

(During the final 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

Mr. Smothers

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Children preschool through 3rd grade may exit to the Phillips Lounge. The Children return to the Sanctuary at the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.

EPISTLE LESSON	Hebrews 12:18-29 <i>(nrsv, page 213 NT)</i>	Ms. Boersma
GOSPEL LESSON	Luke 13:10-17 <i>(nrsv, page 71 NT)</i>	Mr. Smothers
SERMON	<i>“Two Mountains. Two Gods?”</i>	Mr. Smothers
*HYMN 380	O Christ, the Healer	<i>Erhalt uns, Herr</i>

*THE NICENE CREED

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

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

From Cantata 80

*Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)*

Komm in mein Herzenshaus,
Herr Jesu, mein Verlangen!
Treib Welt und Satan aus
Und laß dein Bild in mir
erneuert prangen!
Weg, schnöder Sündengraus!

Come into my heart's house,
Lord Jesus, my desire!
Drive the world and Satan out
and let your image shine forth
renewed in me!
Away, contemptible horror of sin!

– Salomon Franck (1625-1759)

Eliza Bagg, soprano

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea - tures
 here be - low; Praise God a - bove, 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, _____ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, _____ hea-ven and earth are
 full _____ full, _____ of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes _____
 in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho - sa - na in the
 high - est. Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

(Communion Prayer continues) “...therefore we proclaim 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.

COMMUNION SOLO

	En Prière (1890)	Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)
<i>Si la voix d'un enfant peut monter jusqu'à Vous, Ô mon Père, Écoutez de Jésus, devant Vous à genoux, La prière!</i>		If the voice of a child could reach up to you, O my Father, To be heard by Jesus... kneeling before You, A prayer!
<i>Si Vous m'avez choisi pour enseigner vos lois Sur la terre, Je saurai Vous servir, auguste Roi des rois, Ô Lumière!</i>		If you have chosen me to teach your laws On Earth, I would know how to serve you, august King of kings, O Light!
<i>Sur mes lèvres, Seigneur, mettez la vérité Salutaire, Pour que celui qui doute, avec humilité Vous révère!</i>		On my lips, Lord, place the salutary Truth, So that those who doubt, with humility will revere you!
<i>Ne m'abandonnez pas, donnez-moi la douceur Nécessaire, Pour apaiser les maux, soulager la douleur, La misère!</i>		Do not abandon me, but give me the Grace necessary to overcome evils, and to relieve pain & misery!
<i>Révèlez Vous à moi, Seigneur en qui je crois Et j'espère: Pour Vous je veux souffrir et mourir sur la croix, Au calvaire!</i>		Reveal yourself to me, Lord in whom I believe and hope! For You I want to suffer and die on the Cross, on Calvary!

– *Stéphan Bordèse (1847-1919)*

Eliza Bagg, soprano

CLOSING PRAYER

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Mr. Smothers

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

John Weaver



*POSTLUDE

Intrada (1982)

Grayston Ives
(b. 1948)

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. We urge you to consider becoming a member of this congregation and hope you will make MAPC your church home in this city.

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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