



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 1, 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

Great and loving God, your will for us in Jesus is the peace that the world cannot give; your abiding gift is the Advocate he promised. Calm all troubled hearts, dispel every fear. Keep us steadfast in love and faithful to your Word, that we may always be your dwelling place. Grant this through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who lives with you now and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

PRELUDE

Chant de Mai, Op. 53

Joseph Jongen
(1873-1953)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

Pastor: May God be gracious to us and bless us

People: And make his face to shine upon us.

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

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 416

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Westminster Abbey

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Andrew D. Smothers

Almighty God, by your power you have raised Jesus Christ from the grave to rule this world in love. We confess that we have not believed in him but have remained captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, our constant desire to live for ourselves alone. Set us free in the victory of Jesus Christ, to live our lives in joy and service, that we may share his good news to all in need, and live as your glad and faithful people.

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Service in G*)

John Weaver



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Weaver

Choir
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
Spir - it 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."*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Christopher N. De La Cruz

FIRST LESSON

Acts 16:9-15

(nrsv, page 127 NT)

*PSALM 67 (Please See Insert)

St. Clement

(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.)

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Psalm Insert

May 1, 2016

*PSALM 67

St. Clement



1. O Lord, be gra - cious, come and bless us, And on us
2. Come and be glad now all you na - tions, Sing songs of
3. Let all the peo - ple come and praise you, Blest be your



make your face to shine. So ev - 'ry peo - ple,
joy with thank - ful - ness. Our God is judge o'er
name, O Liv - ing Lord! Earth's bread and fruit you



ev - 'ry na - tion, May know your sav - ing pow'r di - vine.
ev - 'ry peo - ple, And rules with per - fect right - eous - ness.
give in bles - sing, For - ev - er be your name a - dored.

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Music: Clement Cottewill Scholefield, 1874

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.

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21:10, 22–22:5 **Beverly A. Bartlett**
(nrsv, page 244 NT)

GRADUAL O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing! *French, 15th C.*
(11:15 am) *arr. Andrew Henderson (2013)*

Tommy Wazelle, tenor

GOSPEL LESSON John 14:23-29 **Mr. Smothers**
(nrsv, page 10 NT)

SERMON *“Not as the World Gives”* **Dr. Springsted**

*HYMN 326 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart *Morecambe*
(11:15 am)

*THE NICENE CREED **Mr. Smothers**

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)

God Be Merciful Unto Us (1998)

Paul Halley
(b. 1952)

God be merciful unto us and bless us, and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us; that thy way be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Let the peoples praise thee O God; yea let all the peoples praise thee. O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the folk righteously and govern the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise thee O God; yea let all the peoples praise thee. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; and God even our own God shall give us his blessing. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. (Psalm 67)

Eliza Bagg, soprano

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy 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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed, bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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

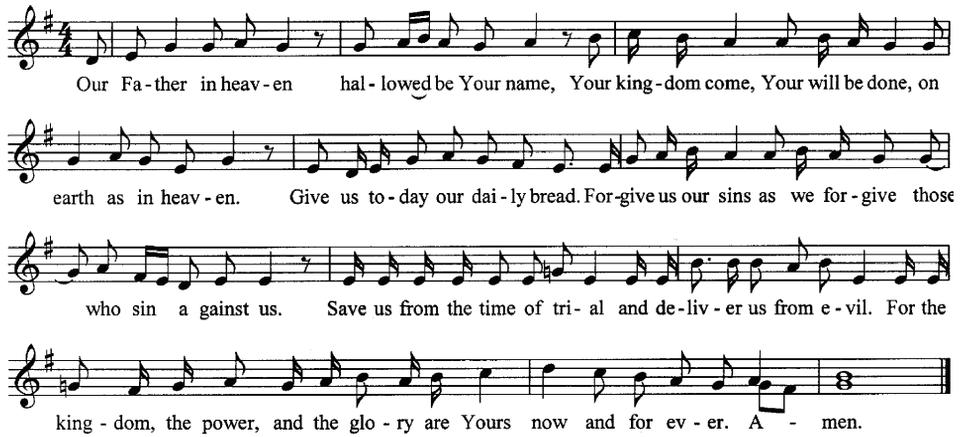
ACCLAMATION

Weaver

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

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther in heav-en hal- lowed be Your name, Your king-dom come, Your will be done, on earth as 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 power, 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.

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)

At The River

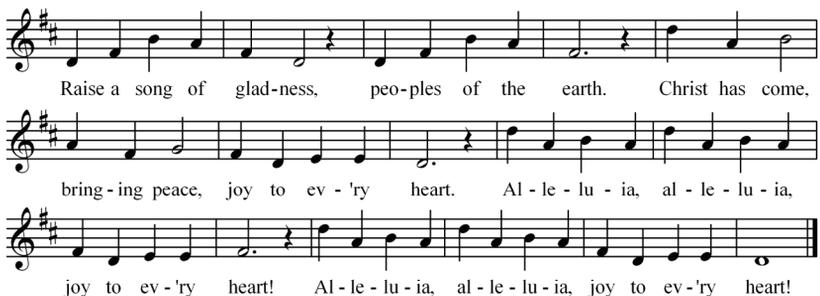
arr. Aaron Copland
(1900-1990)

Shall we gather by the river,
Where bright angel's feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God.
*Yes we'll gather by the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river
That flows by the throne of God.*

Soon we'll reach the shining river,
Soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver
With the melody of peace.
Yes we'll gather ...

– Robert Lowry (1826-1899)

CONGREGATIONAL SONG



Raise a song of glad-ness, peo-ples of the earth. Christ has come, bring-ing peace, joy to ev-'ry heart. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, joy to ev-'ry heart! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, joy to ev-'ry heart!

Jacques Berthier, *Songs and Prayers of Taizé*
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CLOSING PRAYER

*HYMN 313 Come Down, O Love Divine *Down Ampney*

*CHARGE AND BENEDECTION **Dr. Springsted**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Weaver*



*POSTLUDE Carillon de Westminster *Louis Vierne*
(from *24 Pièces de Fantaisie*, Op. 54, No. 6) (1870-1937)

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.

<p>Pastoral Staff</p> <p>The Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett, <i>Associate Pastor</i></p> <p>Christina A. Cosby, <i>Seminarian</i></p> <p>Christopher N. De La Cruz, <i>Director of Christian Formation</i></p> <p>Dr. Andrew E. Henderson, <i>Director of Music & Organist</i></p> <p>Mary W. Huff, <i>Associate Director of Music</i></p> <p>David A. Kling, <i>Seminarian</i></p> <p>The Rev. Tyler W. Orem, <i>Phillips Talbot Global Ministry Fellow (2015-2017)</i></p> <p>The Rev. Andrew D. Smothers, <i>Parish Associate for Global Ministry (2014-2016)</i></p> <p>The Rev. Dr. Eric O. Springsted, <i>Interim Pastor</i></p> <p>The Rev. Dr. Fred R. Anderson, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i></p> <p>Dr. John B. Weaver, <i>Director of Music & Organist Emeritus</i></p> <p>Laura Graham, <i>Director of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church Day School</i></p> <p>The Rev. Dr. Richard W. Shoup, <i>Pastoral Counselor (212-628-1812)</i></p>
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