



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 3, 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

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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| PRELUDE | <i>Easter Chorale Preludes from the Orgelbüchlein:</i> | J. S. Bach |
| | Christ lag in Todesbanden, BWV 625 | (1685-1750) |
| | Jesus Christus, unser Heiland, BWV 626 | |
| | Erstanden ist der Heil'ge Christ, BWV 628 | |

CALL TO WORSHIP

Andrew D. Smothers

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: The Lord is my strength and my might;

People: He has become my salvation.

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 121 That Easter Day With Joy was Bright *Puer nobis nascitur*

CONFESSON OF SIN (*unison*)

Christopher N. De La Cruz

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 F*)

John Weaver

The musical notation consists of a single staff in common time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It features eighth-note patterns. The lyrics "Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy." are written below the notes.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Weaver

(Cantor)

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.

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Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther,

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Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;

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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."*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

David A. Kling

FIRST LESSON

Acts 5:27-32

(nrsv, page 115 NT)

PSALM 118:14-24 (Hymn 231)

A. Gregory Murray

Please join the choir in singing the refrain:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

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 1:4-8
(*nrsv, page 230 NT*)

Beverly A. Bartlett

GRADUAL

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

Tommy Wazelle, tenor

GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31
(*nrsv, page 108 NT*)

Mr. Smothers

SERMON

"Jesus: Lord and God"

Mr. Smothers

*HYMN 117
(11:15 am)

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing!

O Filii et Filiae

*THE NICENE CREED

Mr. Kling

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

Mr. Kling

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Ms. Bartlett

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY DUET (11:15 am)

The Lord is My Strength and My Song
(from *Israel in Egypt*)

G. F. Handel
(1685-1759)

The Lord is my strength and my song, he is become my salvation.

(*Exodus 15:2*)

Katherine Wessinger & Eliza Bagg, sopranos

*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

Weaver

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.

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)

Love Is Come Again

French Carol

arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth many days hath lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead hath been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain.
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen,
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

— J. M. C. Crum (1872-1958)

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.
Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to ev-'ry heart.
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to ev-'ry heart!
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to ev-'ry heart!

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CLOSING PRAYER

***HYMN 122**

Thine is the Glory

*Judas Maccabeus**(We will sing the refrain after each stanza.)****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION****Mr. Smothers*****CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE***Weaver****POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Voluntary in D

*John Stanley
(1713-1786)*

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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