



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2015 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

Let your mighty hand, O Lord God, and outstretched arm be our defense; your mercy and loving kindness in Jesus Christ, your dear Son, our salvation; your all-true word, our instruction; the grace of the life giving Spirit, our comfort and consolation, unto the end and in the end. Amen. — *John Knox (1513-1572)*

PRELUDE

Cantabile

César Franck

(from *Trois Pièces*, 1878)

(1822-1890)

SALUTATION AND WELCOME

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O sing to the Lord a new song;

People: **Sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

Pastor: Declare his glory among the nations,

People: **His marvelous works among all the peoples.**

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

People: **Let us worship God.**

*Let all who are able stand.



*HYMN 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein' Feste Burg

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Christina A. Cosby

Heavenly father, merciful and everlasting God, we acknowledge and confess before your divine majesty that we are poor sinners, prone to evil and ever falling short of goodness. We have transgressed your commandments, and are worthy of your anger.

But, O Lord, we repent and are sorry from our hearts that we have so displeased you. We pray that your grace may bring help to our distress.

Be pleased, therefore, to have mercy upon us, O most gracious God and Father. Forgive us all our sins, through the holy sufferings of your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant us now the gifts of your Holy Spirit. Increase these in us each day, that we may repent, that sin may be destroyed in us, and that we may bring forth the fruits of righteousness and a pure life that are pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ.

— *Adapted from the liturgy of the Reformed Church of Zurich, 1525*

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY

James MacMillan

Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy,
Christ — have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

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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

Christopher N. De La Cruz

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Job 42:1-6, 10-17

(*nrsv*, page 462 OT)

*PSALM 34

(*Please See Insert*)

Boundless Mercy

(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 Hebrews 7:23-28 **Beverly A. Bartlett**
(*nrsv, page 208 NT*)

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 Mark 10:46-52 **Donald B. Wahlig**
(*nrsv, page 44 NT*)

SERMON **“Just Me and Jesus?”** **Dr. Springsted**

*HYMN 442 The Church’s One Foundation *Aurelia*
(*11:15 am*)

*THE NICENE CREED **Ms. Cosby**

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH **Dr. Springsted**

WORD IN ACTION **“Stewardship”** **Elder Nancy N. Ost**

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (*11:15 am*)
 A New Song (1997) *James MacMillan*
 (*b. 1959*)

O sing unto the Lord a new song, sing unto the Lord all the whole earth. Sing unto the Lord and praise His Name, be telling of His salvation from day to day. For He cometh to judge the earth, and with righteousness to judge the world and the people with His truth. (*Psalm 96:1, 2, 13*)

*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

MacMillan

(Organ) Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly
 Lord, God of power and might. Heav'n and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bles - sed is he, O bles - sed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

ACCLAMATION

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

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

...in your holy church, now and forever. Amen.

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 ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Pilgrims' Hymn
(from *The Three Hermits*, 1997)

Stephen Paulus
(1949-2014)

Even before we call on Your name
To ask You, O God,
When we seek for the words to glorify You,
You hear our prayer;
Unceasing love, O unceasing love,
Surpassing all we know.
Glory to the Father, And to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit.

Even with darkness sealing us in,
We breathe Your name,
And through all the days that follow so fast,
We trust in You;
Endless Your grace, O endless Your grace,
Beyond all mortal dream.
Both now and for ever,
And unto ages and ages, Amen.

– Michael Dennis Browne (b. 1946)

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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RESPONSE

Bless the Lord, O My Soul



Bless the Lord, O _____ my soul, and all that is with-in me bless God's ho-ly name.



Bless the Lord, O _____ my soul, and for - get not all God's ben - e - fits.

CLOSING PRAYER

*HYMN 486

When the Morning Stars Together

Weisse Flaggen

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Springsted

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

John Weaver



POSTLUDE

Carillon-Sortie

Henri Mulet
(1878-1967)

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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