



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Christ the King

November 26, 2017 at 9 and 11:15 am

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Word and Sacrament

*Please silence your cellular telephones and other electronic devices.
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 in C major, BWV 547

*J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

People: Worship the Lord with gladness!

Pastor: Come into God's presence with singing.

People: Let us give thanks and bless God's name.

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

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Beverly A. Bartlett

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you and one another. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love, in failing to love others as we love ourselves. Have mercy upon us in your loving kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

(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

Christina Cosby

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ezekiel 34:1-16

(nrsv, page 756 OT)

*PSALM 100 (Hymn 220)

Old Hundredth

(Following 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 &
DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORSHIP

Dr. Springsted

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

Ephesians 1:15-23
(*nrsv, page 181 NT*)

Ms. Bartlett

GRADUAL (11:15 am)

Your Word Is a Lamp

Andrew Henderson

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Give me understanding that I may live.
(*Psalms 119:105, 107b*)

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:31-46
(*nrsv, page 27 NT*)

Dr. Springsted

SERMON

"Love Wins"

Dr. Springsted

*HYMN 421

The Church of Christ in Every Age

Wareham

(11:15 am)

*THE NICENE CREED

Ms. Bartlett

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)

King of Glory, King of Peace (1941)

Harold Friedell
(1905-1958)

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee:
And that love may never cease, I will move Thee.
Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me:
Thou dost note my working breast, Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee.
And the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me,
And alone when they replied, Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise Thee:
In my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise Thee.
Small it is in this poor sort To enroll Thee:
E'en Eternity's too short To extol Thee.

– George Herbert (1593-1632)

*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

Weaver

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are
full of Your glo - ry. 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) "... the mystery of faith:"

ACCLAMATION

Weaver

Christ has died, Christ is ri-sen, Christ will come a - gain.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Weaver

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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Come Away to the Skies

arr. Alice Parker
(b. 1925)

Come away to the skies, my beloved arise
And rejoice in the day thou wast born,
On this festival day come exulting away,
And with singing to Zion return.

We have laid up our love and our treasures above,
Though our bodies continue below;
The redeemed of the Lord shall remember His word,
And with singing to Paradise go.

Hallelujah we sing to our Father and King,
And His rapturous praises repeat;
To the Lamb that was slain, Hallelujah again;
Sing all heaven, and fall at His feet.

— Charles Wesley (1757-1834)

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 5

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Picardy

Descant: Paul Halley (b. 1952)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Springsted

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Weaver



*POSTLUDE

Fugue in C major, BWV 547

J. S. Bach

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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