



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018 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

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.

PRELUDE

Chorale Preludes from the Orgelbüchlein:

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

Jenny McDevitt

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Pastor: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Pastor: How good and pleasant it is,

People: When kindred live together in unity.

Pastor: In the name of the triune God: creator, redeemer, and sustainer,

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 121

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright *Puer nobis nascitur*

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Christina A. Cosby

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus Christ from the grave to rule this world in love. We confess that sometimes it is hard to believe this, and it is easier to remain captive to doubt and fear. But this, O God, leads to death. So forgive us our lack of courage, our hopelessness, and our desire to live for ourselves alone. Set us free to live our lives in joy and service, that we might share the good news of the Gospel to all those in need, and live as your glad and faithful people.

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Service in G*)

John Weaver



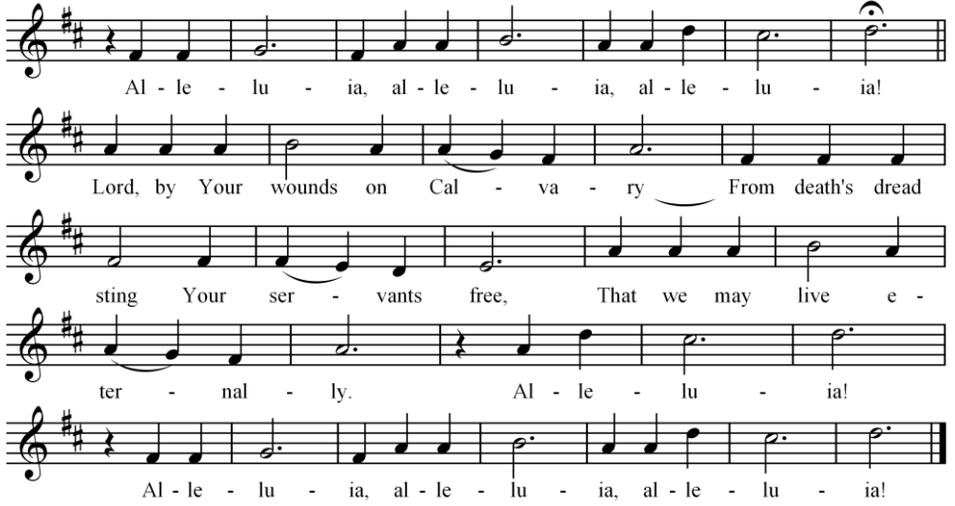
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Victory



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Lord, by Your wounds on Cal - va - ry From death's dread
 sting Your ser - vants free, That we may live e -
 ter - nal - ly. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin, c. 1695, Trans. Francis Pott, 1861
 Music: G.P. da Palestrina, 1591

*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. Cosby

FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:32-35

(nrsv, page 114 OT)

*PSALM 133 (Hymn 241)

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*(During the last verse 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

Rev. McDevitt

*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

1 John 1:1–2:2
(nrsv, page 224 NT)

Rev. Bartlett

GRADUAL
(11:15 am)

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

Tommy Wazelle, tenor

GOSPEL LESSON

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

Rev. McDevitt

*HYMN 107
(11:15 am)

Celebrate with Joy and Singing

Evelyn Chapel

*THE NICENE CREED

Rev. 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

Rev. Bartlett

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Bartlett

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:15 am)

From *Chichester Psalms* (1965)

Leonard Bernstein
(1918-1990)

Adonai, Adonai, lo gavah libi, v'lo
ramu einai, v'lo hilachti big'dolot
uv'niflaot mimeni. Im lo shiviti
v'domam'ti, nafshi kagamul alei
imo, kagamul alai nafshi. Yahel
Yis'rael e Adonai me'atah v'ad
olam.

*O Lord, my heart is not lifted up, my
eyes are not raised too high; I do not
occupy myself with things too great and
too marvelous for me. But I have
calmed and quieted my soul, like a
weaned child with its mother; my soul is
like a weaned child that is with me. O
Israel, hope in the Lord from this time
on and forevermore.* (Psalm 131)

Hineh mah tov, Umah nayim,
Shevet ahim Gam yahad.

*How very good and pleasant it is when
kindred live together in unity!*

(Psalm 133:1)

**Jennifer Gliere, soprano; Helen Karloski, alto
Tommy Wazelle, tenor; Rod Gomez, bass**

*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

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.

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.

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 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 122

Thine Is the Glory

Judas Maccabeus

We will sing the Refrain after each stanza.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. McDevitt

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Weaver

(Organ) A-men, A-men, A-men.

*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.

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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