

## Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

### Good Friday Service of Tenebrae April 19, 2019 • 7:30pm



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## Welcome to Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member . . .

Whether you are new to or uncertain about this whole idea of church . . .

Whether you grew up Presbyterian or Baptist or Jewish or agnostic . . .

Whether you came with a friend or just wandered in accidentally . . .

Whether you are in search of comfort or wanting to be challenged . . .

Whatever reason brought you to worship today, you are welcome here and you have made us better by being present with us. In the midst of a big and busy city, we are a church that takes seriously Jesus' instructions to love God, love one another, and love our neighbors. Our worship style is traditional and true to our Reformed heritage. At the same time, we seek to bring our faith into conversation with the world around us and the events of our lives.

After worship on Sundays, we gather in our Church House for fellowship, coffee, and cookies. Please join us. We think you'll find us to be a friendly and approachable group of people trying our best to live like Jesus teaches. But if you're looking for a perfect church, we're not it. We don't always get it right. Rather, we're a group of imperfect people who understand how much we all need grace in our lives. And we believe that God's love, which never gives up and never lets go, is for everyone. Including you.

There is a place for you here. We're delighted you've joined us today.

Lenny Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt Senior Pastor

## Children Are Always Welcome

Your children are always welcome here at MAPC, and they are welcome to stay with you in worship. Little ones can't help but make a bit of noise from time to time. If it is your preference, however, children three and under may be taken to the Nursery on the 4th floor during Sunday services. We do not have nursery care available during weekday services but are delighted to have your children with us.

## Membership and More Information

For those interested in exploring the possibility of membership or learning more about who we are and what we do, we periodically host a "Tell Me More About MAPC" conversation. Rev. Jenny McDevitt leads these sessions. The next gathering will be held May 11, 2019, at 9 am in the Phillips Lounge. Childcare provided with advance request. RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com.

#### Introit

#### Miserere mei, Deus

Gregorio Allegri (1582-1652)

Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam miser-icordiam tuam. Et secundum multitudinem miserati-onum tuarum: dele iniquitatem meam. Amplius lava me ab iniquitate mea: et a peccato meo munda me.

Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco: et peccatum meum contra me est semper. Tibi soli peccavi, et malum coram te feci: ut justificeris in sermonibus tuis, et vincas cum judicaris. Ecce enim in iniquitatibus conceptus sum: et in peccatis concepit me mater mea.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti: incerta et occulta sapientiae tuae manifestasti mihi. Asperges me hyssopo, et mundabor: lavabis me, et super nivem de albabor. Auditui meo dabis gaudium et laetitiam: et exsultabunt osa humiliata. Averte faciem tuam a peccatis meis: et omnes iniquitates meas dele.

Cor mundum crea in me, Deus: et spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis. Ne projicias me a facie tua: et spiritum sanctum tuum ne auferas a me. Redde mihi laetitiam salutaris tui: et spiritu principali confirma me.

Docebo iniquos vias tuas: et impii ad te conver-tentur. Libera me de sanguinibus, Deus, Deus salutaris meae: et exsultabit lingua justitiam tuam.

Domine, labia mea aperies: et os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam. Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium, dedissem utique: holocaustis non delectaberis. Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus: cor contritum et humilitatum, Deus, non despicies.

Benigne fac, Domine, in bona voluntate tua Sion: ut aedificentur muri Jerusalem. Tunc acceptabis sacrificium justitiae, oblationes, et holocausta: tunc imponent super altare tuum vitulos.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, then you will delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

—Psalm 51

Katherine Wessinger & Anita Moore, soprano; Desirée Baxter, alto; Marc Molomot, tenor; Rod Gomez, bass

#### Call to Worship

Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt

Behold the cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.

#### We see the cross, but want to turn away,

for on the cross we see the sin of the world.

Behold the cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.

#### We see the cross, but want to turn away,

for on the cross was hung the one who did not deserve this death.

Behold the cross on which was hung the salvation of the world.

#### We see the cross, but want to turn away,

for there is a love so strong it shames us.

#### We turn away, but want to see the cross,

for there is a love so strong it heals us.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hamburg

Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

\* Please stand in body or in spirit.

#### Prayer for Remembrance

Lord Jesus, born of woman as is every person and yet born of God's power as was no other person, how did we come to this night?

# How is it, O God, that you who bind up the broken and comfort the bruised, can be broken and bruised?

How did we come to this night?

Lord Jesus, teacher of fishermen and tax collectors, redeemer of prostitutes and Pharisees, lover of every soul; how did we come to this night? How is it, O God, that you have remained so faithful to your arrogant creation when we are so afraid and selfish that we take the one you gave in grace and seek his death? Lord Jesus, God's holy love made flesh to dwell among us now hated, derided and crucified; we know how we have come to this night; the mystery we seek to know is this: how did you come to this night? Let your redemption claim us once again. In the name of him who was crucified for all, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn 98	O Sacred Head, Now Wounded	Herzlich tut mich verlangen
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The Office Of Tenebrae

John 12:27-36	The Light	Christina A. Cosby
Matthew 26:1-5	The Plotting Begins	Elder Curtis L. Field
Matthew 26:6-13	Anointed for Death	Elder William J. Welsh
Mark 14:12-16	Preparation for Passover	Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
John 13:21-30	Judas Identified	Christina A. Cosby
Matthew 26:30-35	The Scattered Flock	Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett
Mark 14:32-42	Sleeping Through the Agony	Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt
Mark 14:43-46	The Kiss of Betrayal	Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
Luke 22:54-62	Peter's Denial	Elder William J. Welsh
Luke 23:13-25	The Crowd's Denial	Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

#### Solo

From Messiah

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

He was despised and rejected, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

—Isaiah 53:3

Desirée Baxter, alto

Mark 15:16-20 Matthew 27:33-44 The Soldiers' Abuse The Crucifixion Elder Curtis L. Field Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett Anthem

Were You There?

African-American Spiritual, arr. Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Mark 15:33-39 Forsaken by God Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman 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.

Anthem	From The Crucifixion (1887)	John Stainer
		(1840-1901)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

-Iohn 3:16-17

The Infancy - Passion Narrative

Dismissal

Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt

Tolling of the Bell

The bell is tolled 33 times, once for each year of Jesus' life.

The congregation will be dismissed by the ushers, beginning with those in the front pews. You are asked to leave the Sanctuary in silence.

Those wishing to make an offering may do so at the rear of the church as you depart. The offering received today will support MAPC's Charles Amstein Pastoral Care Fund.

Luke 2:29-35

#### Worship Details

The cover is titled "It is Finished" by artist R. W. Goetting.

Easter Services at MAPC

Easter Sunday, April 21 9 am and 11:15 am Festival Services — Sanctuary The Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt preaching



**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.

### Ministry Team Staff

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