



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

2nd Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2019 • 9 & 11:15am



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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.



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. The Narthex and the Children's Library are also available. Speakers provide audio of the service.

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. 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-Eraza at lgp@mapc.com.

Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

The irony, Lord: there is a crisis of doubt only because there is faith.

– Catholic Community at Ithaca College

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Trumpet Voluntary in D

John Bennett
(1735-1784)

Call to Worship

Chesna E. Hinkley

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

That I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord

The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

His steadfast love endures forever.

*Hymn 122

Thine Is the Glory

Judas Maccabeus

Please sing the refrain after each verse.

** Please stand in body or in spirit. For hymns, stand when the choir stands.*

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt

Almighty God,

We do not deserve the grace you have given us.

We have sinned against you, our neighbors, and your creation.

We know that you are merciful and loving to all who turn to you.

Forgive us all our sin for the sake of your Son.

By your Spirit, take possession of our hearts,

So that in all things we may be guided by you,

To the glory of your holy Name.

(Silent prayer)

Lord, Have Mercy

John Weaver



Assurance of God's Grace

... Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*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 God's Law

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Our Life Together

_____ Proclaiming God's Word _____

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

First Lesson

Acts 5:27-32
(NT page 115)

Please join the choir in singing the refrain:



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

Rod Gomez, cantor

Lesson with the Children and Youth

Christina A. Cosby

Children's Worship: Preschool through 3rd grades are dismissed to the Phillips Lounge.

Youth Worship: 4th through 8th grades are dismissed to the Dana Chapel.

They will return during the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.

Second Lesson

Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
Revelation 1:4-8
(NT page 230)

Gradual

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing!

French, 15th C.
arr. Andrew Henderson (2014)

Gospel Lesson

John 20:19-31
(NT page 108)

Sermon

Doubt Faithfully

Chesna E. Hinkley

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn 117 (11:15)

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing!

O Filii et Filiae

*Affirmation of Faith

Declaration of Faith IV, 5

Jesus is our living Lord.

**Jesus was dead and buried,
but God raised him from the dead.**

We are certain that Jesus lives.

He lives as God with us,

touching all of human life with the presence of God.

He lives as one of us with God.

Because he shares our humanity
and has bound us to himself in love,
we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.

We declare that Jesus is Lord.

We maintain that ultimate sovereignty
now belongs to Jesus Christ
in every sphere of life.

Jesus is Lord!

He has been Lord from the beginning.

He will be Lord at the end.

Even now he is Lord.

Prayers of the People

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

Presenting Our Offerings to God

Duet

The Lord Is My Strength and My Song
(Israel in Egypt)

George Frideric Handel
(1685-1759)

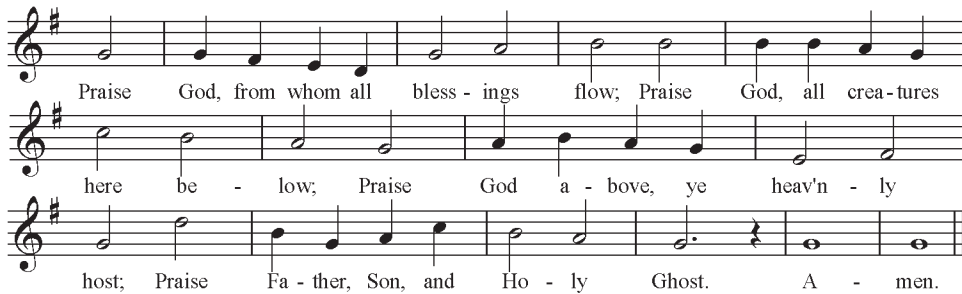
The Lord is my strength and my song; He is become my salvation.

—*from Exodus 15:2*

Katherine Wessinger & Chloe Holgate, soprano

*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.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

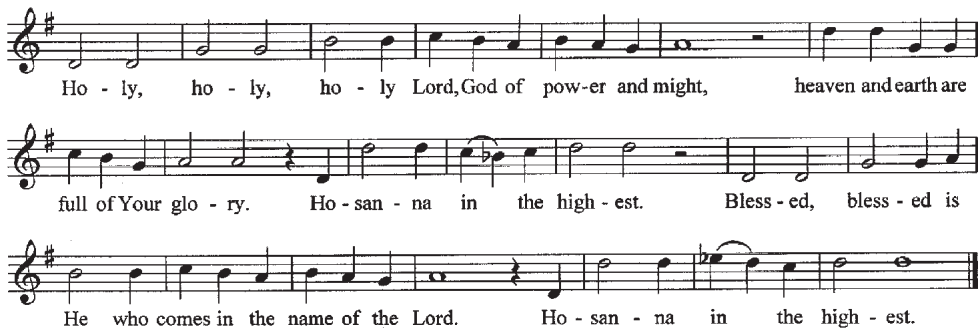
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Weaver

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your holy name:



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.

Acclamation

. . . we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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.

Words of Institution

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Let us keep the feast.**

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The bread you are served is gluten free.

The bronzed chalices contain wine; you are invited to take a sip or dip your bread into the cup.

The glass chalices contain juice; you are invited to dip your bread into the cup.

Anthem

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 (11:15 am)

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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Prayer at the Conclusion of the Meal

*Hymn 379

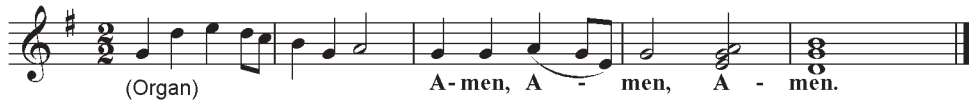
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Solid Rock

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

Weaver



*Postlude

Trumpet Voluntary in D

John Stanley
(1713-1786)

Worship Details

Cover Art

“Christ shows himself to Thomas,” detail of a mosaic by Rowan LeCompte and Irene LeCompte. Resurrection Chapel, National Cathedral. Washington, DC.

Information and Announcements

Adult Education

Christina Cosby will lead an Adult Education lecture as we begin Eastertide. Everyone is invited to the Dana Chapel at 10:10 am as we delve deep into what it means to be Christian in a post-Resurrection world.

Annual Hood Library Literary Luncheon

The Hood Library Fellowship will hold its annual literary luncheon at 12:45 pm today. This year’s theme is “What Makes the World Go ‘Round?” Enjoy lunch, fellowship and a program of readings. Suggested donation is \$25, which includes a ticket to the Music on Madison concert at 3 pm in the Sanctuary.

Music on Madison: Margaret Mills, piano

The Saint Andrew Music Society’s Music on Madison season continues today at 3 pm, with a performance by pianist Margaret Mills entitled: “To Be Inspired: The Old and The New.” Her program will combine beloved piano works with two exciting new commissions by American composers: Debussy’s *Suite Bergamasque* and works by Robert and Clara Schumann will be interspersed with new works by Brian Schober and Richard Wilson. Admission to our Music on Madison concerts is \$25 (\$20 – students/seniors); children 12 and under are free. Will Call reservations may be made online in advance using a credit card, or admission can be paid at the door.

Moms' Night Out

MAPC moms gather periodically at an Upper East Side restaurant for dinner and conversation. The next gathering is Thursday, May 2 at 7 pm. RSPV to Lissette Perez-Erazo, lgp@mapc.com.

Senior Fellowship Lunch

MAPC Seniors and friends will have lunch together in the Parish Hall on Sunday, May 5 at 1 pm following fellowship hour. The suggested donation for lunch is \$10.

Shelter Open House

Interested in our Men's Shelter? Come to the shelter on Sunday, May 5 at 1 pm to learn about volunteer opportunities and our guests who stay in our building each night. The shelter leaders are specifically in need for overnight hosts (8:30 pm – 6:30 am) and are always looking for early shift hosts (6:30 pm – 8:30 pm), if that works better for you. Questions? Please contact Rev. Rebecca Heilman at rmh@mapc.com.

CROP Hunger Walk

High school and middle school youth of the congregation raised over \$500 this past fall to help end hunger in New York City and around the globe. On May 5, all ages are invited to walk with our team as we strive to spread awareness and raise funds to assist the needs of those who go hungry each day. Meet at 12:30 pm in the Church House Lobby. To sign up reach out to Christina Cosby, cac@mapc.com or (212)-288-8920.

New York City Children's Chorus Spring Concert

The NYCCC presents its Spring Concert on May 5 at 3 p.m. Five ensembles of MAPC's New York City Children's Chorus program – totaling over 150 choristers – will present a concert inspired by literature. The music is based on the words of William Shakespeare, Emily Dickinson, Langston Hughes, Lewis Carroll, Maya Angelou, and Mark Twain, as well as favorite children's verse. Admission to our Music on Madison concerts is \$25 (\$20 – students/seniors); children 12 and under are free. Will Call reservations may be made online in advance using a credit card, or admission can be paid at the door. The proceeds from the concert will benefit the NYCCC Tuition Aid Fund.

Pub Theology

On Monday, May 6 at 6:30 pm, come to the 8th Floor and weather permitting, the Roof Garden for a spirited conversation about theology and faith. RSPV to Lissette Perez-Erazo, lgp@mapc.com.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, April 29

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study	Phillips Lounge

Tuesday, April 30

4:00 pm	ESL Classes	5th Floor
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
7:00 pm	Session	8th Floor

Wednesday, May 1

12:30 pm	Reading Through the Bible	Phillips Lounge
1:30 pm	Shelter Leaders	Shelter
4:00 pm	Kids Club & Wee Kids	PH, 4th, 5th Floor, Gym
4:15 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
5:00 pm	T(w)een Club	Phillips Lounge
6:00 pm	Cocaine Anonymous	5th Floor
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
7:00 pm	Deacons	8th Floor

Thursday, May 2

1:00 pm	Spiritual Growth & Faith Sharing Group	James Lenox House
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
6:30 pm	Thursday Open Table MAPC Serves	Parish Hall
7:00 pm	Church Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Moms Night Out	To be determined

Friday, May 3

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
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Saturday, May 4

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
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Sunday, May 5

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Lobby
10:10 am	Adult Education	Parish Hall
10:10 am	New Member Reception	8th Floor
11:15 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Fellowship Hour	Lobby
1:00 pm	Senior Fellowship Lunch	Parish Hall
1:00 pm	Shelter Open House	Shelter Space
1:00 pm	ESL Classes	5th Floor
1:00 pm	CROP Walk	Church House Lobby
3:00 pm	SAMS: NYCCC Spring Concert	Sanctuary
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

all things new



May 5 A New Vision
Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 9 & 11:15 am

May 12 A New Job Description
Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 9 & 11:15 am

May 19 A New Diet
Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 9 & 11:15 am

May 26 A New Community
Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 10:30 am

June 2 Youth Sunday & Confirmation
Sebastien L. J. Nordenson / 10:30 am
Isabella N. Winckler / 10:30 am

June 9 A New Jerusalem
Pentecost
Ordination & Installation of Officers
Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 10:30 am

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

The Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt, *Senior Pastor and Head of Staff*

The Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett, *Associate Pastor*

Christina A. Cosby, *Director of Christian Formation*

Laura Graham, *Director of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church Day School*

The Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman, *Pastoral Resident*

Dr. Andrew E. Henderson, *Director of Music and Organist*

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Teresa D. Tynes, *Director of Communication*

Chesna E. Hinkley, *Seminary Intern*

Audrey E. Webber, *Seminary Intern*

The Rev. Dr. Fred R. Anderson, *Pastor Emeritus*

Dr. John B. Weaver, *Director of Music and Organist Emeritus*