

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



OCTOBER 14, 2018
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME TO THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH

Interdenominational · Interracial · International · Open · Affirming · Welcoming

WORSHIP is at the center of the life of The Riverside Church. As you prepare yourself for Worship, we invite you to reflect quietly on these words:

“...[T]he environment is getting poisoned, families are getting pulled apart and deported, prisons are privatized, real life Nazis live happily among us, Native Americans are so disenfranchised our country is basically still colonizing them, Puerto Rico has been abandoned, the American education system has been turned into a business, and every day 96 people get shot and killed.”

– Emma Gonzalez, Marjorie Douglas Stoneman HS, Parkland, FL

It is with profound sorrow that we announce the passing of Riverside Church member and Carillonneur, Dionisio Lind. Dionisio blessed The Riverside Church with his artistry on the world-renowned 74-Bell Laura Spelman Rockefeller Carillon since 1998. The carillon and organ preludes this morning are performed in his honor as we remember with grateful hearts his gifts and service to The Riverside Church.

Join Rev. Michael Livingston on Sunday, October 28 for a Sermon Talk Back after worship at the front of the Nave.

THE LITURGICAL YEAR

The Riverside Church follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together. We are currently in the Season after Pentecost, also known as Ordinary Time. It is signified by the green paraments and clergy stoles that represent new life and growth. Ordinary Time is observed from Pentecost until the beginning of Advent.

IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST VISIT:

Complete a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate as it passes.

Join us for October's Grateful Gathering in South Hall after Worship. Grateful Gatherings are fun, family-friendly opportunities to learn about the progress of Riverside's Grateful Campaign, where we commit to give and serve as much as we can as an expression of gratitude for all that God has given us. The Grateful Gatherings involve food, music, games, and fellowship. As you leave the Nave, take a right and follow the hallway past Christ Chapel. Signs and greeters will help provide direction. Please enjoy free lunch with us during the Grateful Gathering.

A free church tour is offered each Sunday after Worship. Meet in the 1st balcony, no reservation necessary. Tours also take place Wednesday-Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., as church schedule permits, leaving from the Welcome Center / Gift Shop. Reservations recommended. Visit trcnyc.org/visit.

Assistive hearing devices and large print bulletins are available upon request from an usher.



GATHERING

We gather as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God

CARILLON

Free Variations on “Built on a Rock the Church Doth Stand” *Ulla Laage*
Charles Semowich, Guest Carillonneur

ORGAN

Chacona *José Jesús Estrada*
Christopher Johnson, Director of Music & Organist

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *Hyfrydol*

† CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Minister Charlene Wingate

One: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

**All: We see people who try to be faithful,
even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.**

One: We look in the mirror and how do we see?

**All: We see with hearts which are open to God’s love,
with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence
tells us not to be so foolish.**

One: We look in the mirror and who do we see?

**All: We see Jesus, the One who hears the questions we raise,
who models faithfulness for all who would follow.
Come let us worship!**

† INVOCATION

† *All who are able, please stand*

LISTENING

We listen for the word of God through song, Scripture, and preaching

ANTHEM

It's My Desire

Freda Pullen & Horace Clarence Boyer

It's my desire to be like the Lord. It's my desire to be like Him. It's my desire to show that I care, to be a friend doing my full share, 'til the end, though it is so rare, through rain and wind, to kneel in prayer. It's my desire to be a soldier, yes, it is, for His great cause; to live my life as He did His. It's my desire to be like the Lord. It's my desire to be like Him.

The Riverside Inspirational Choir

Nedra Olds-Neal, director

Matt King, piano

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

Dr. Hsien-Yu Wang

**Holy God, your word is alive and active,
sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow;
it can judge our thoughts and intentions of our hearts.**

**We cannot hide for we are naked and laid bare
to the one whom we must answer.**

**Let us hold fast to our confession before Jesus
who was tested as we are and yet was without sin.**

**We approach the throne of grace with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy and find grace
to help in our time of need.**

Hear now the confessions of our hearts (*silent prayer*). Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Tracy Hendricks

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

(page 471 in the Old Testament)

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Jose R. Gonzalez
Elizabeth Figueroa

Hebrews 4:12-16

(page 220 in the New Testament)

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

†HYMN 407

Quando el Pobre

El Camino

†GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 10:17-31

(page 46 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Minister Wingate

SERMON

Terrified, Shocked, Naked...

Rev. Livingston

SILENT MEDITATION

A time for reflection, prayer and contemplation.

RESPONDING

We respond to the hearing of God's word through prayer, passing the peace, offering and monthly communion

PASTORAL PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Rev. Ellen Robison

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pray in the language or version of your heart.

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.

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.

CHORAL AMEN

†*All who are able, please stand*

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Rev. Bruce Lamb

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

M. Roger Holland, II

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Grant us peace, oh, grant us peace. Save us, Lord, from sin and shame. Your grace and peace are what we need. Have mercy, oh, have mercy on me.

The Combined Choirs

†AT THE PRESENTATION: THE DOXOLOGY

The congregation rises row by row as ushers pass to symbolize the offering of our whole selves to God.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

Rev. Lamb

Today we celebrate the Latino Ministry at Riverside, and with them the Hispanic and Latino community nationally; as the country pays tribute during this month to the generations of Latinos and Hispanic-Americans for their enduring contributions and enrichment to our nation and society.

†*All who are able, please stand*

SENDING

We are sent out into the world to love God and our neighbors

✝BENEDICTION

Rev. Livingston

✝RECESSIONAL HYMN 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

Bourbon

POSTLUDE

Carillon, Opus 31, No. 21

Louis Vierne

Christopher Creaghan, Associate Organist

Liturgical Resources for Today:

¹*Thom Shuman*

²*Worship Ways*

Special thanks to our congregational leaders:

Tracy Hendricks, Jose R. Gonzalez and Elizabeth Figueroa

FLOWER GIFT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

The flowers on the altar are given by Julian Suez in loving memory of his mother, Rhoda How.

LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY

For announcements of programs and events in the church, please pick up the *Life of Our Community* bulletin located in the back of the pew or outside the Welcome Center or visit our trcnyc.org/events.

✝*All who are able, please stand*

 DRAW IT

In Mark 10, a rich man comes to Jesus and asks Jesus what he should do. Jesus loves the man very much, and he tells him, "Sell your stuff, give the money to the poor, and then come with me." The man is really sad, because he has a lot of stuff. Draw what you think this scene looked like. Then draw what you think you would do if Jesus said this to you.

UNSCRAMBLE IT

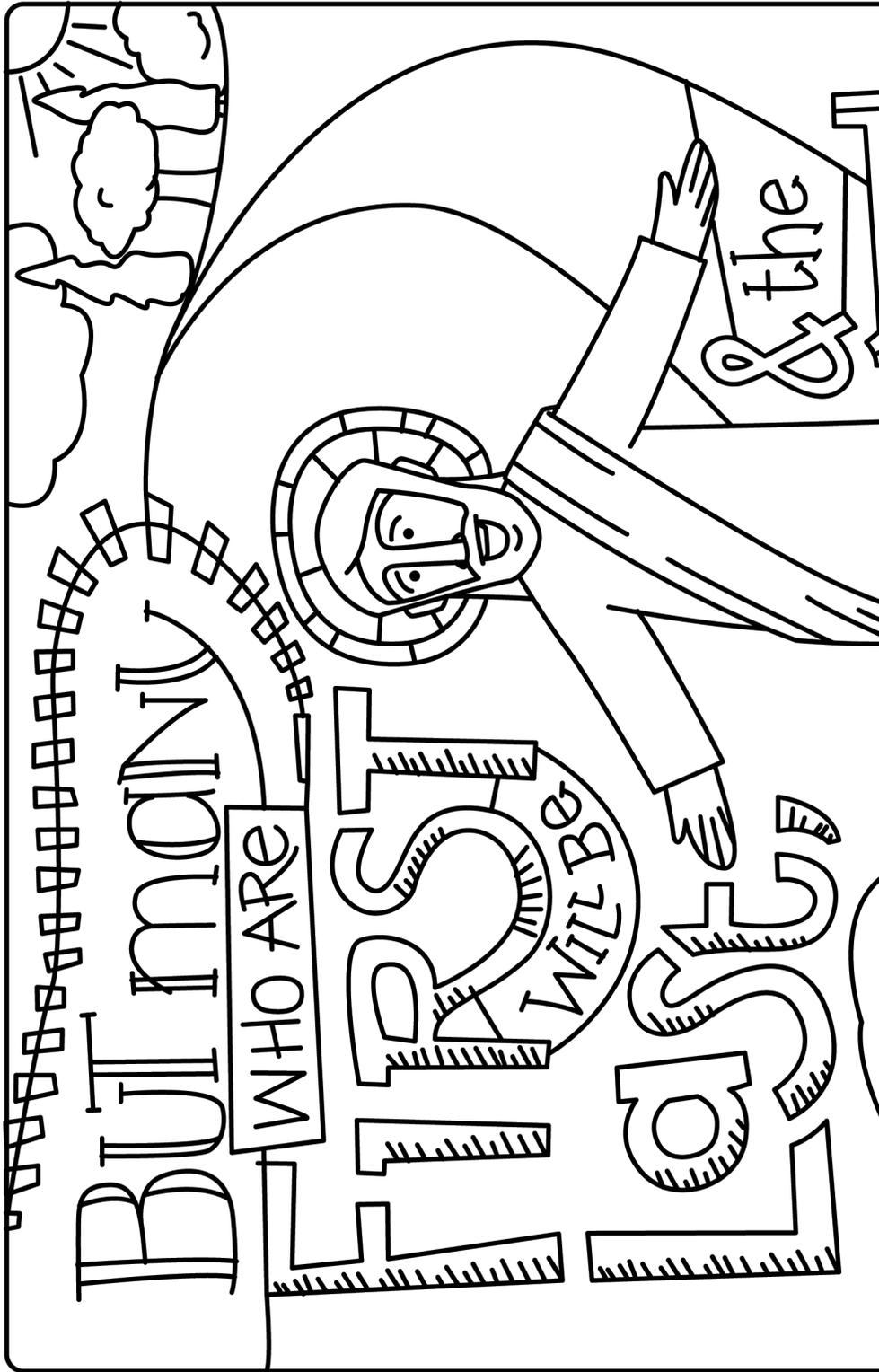
What does the Psalmist say while feeling forgotten by God? This is a powerful reminder that it's okay to give God all our feelings, including anger and sadness.

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DOODLE AREA



Doodle Idea: Draw a picture of something you want to thank God for.

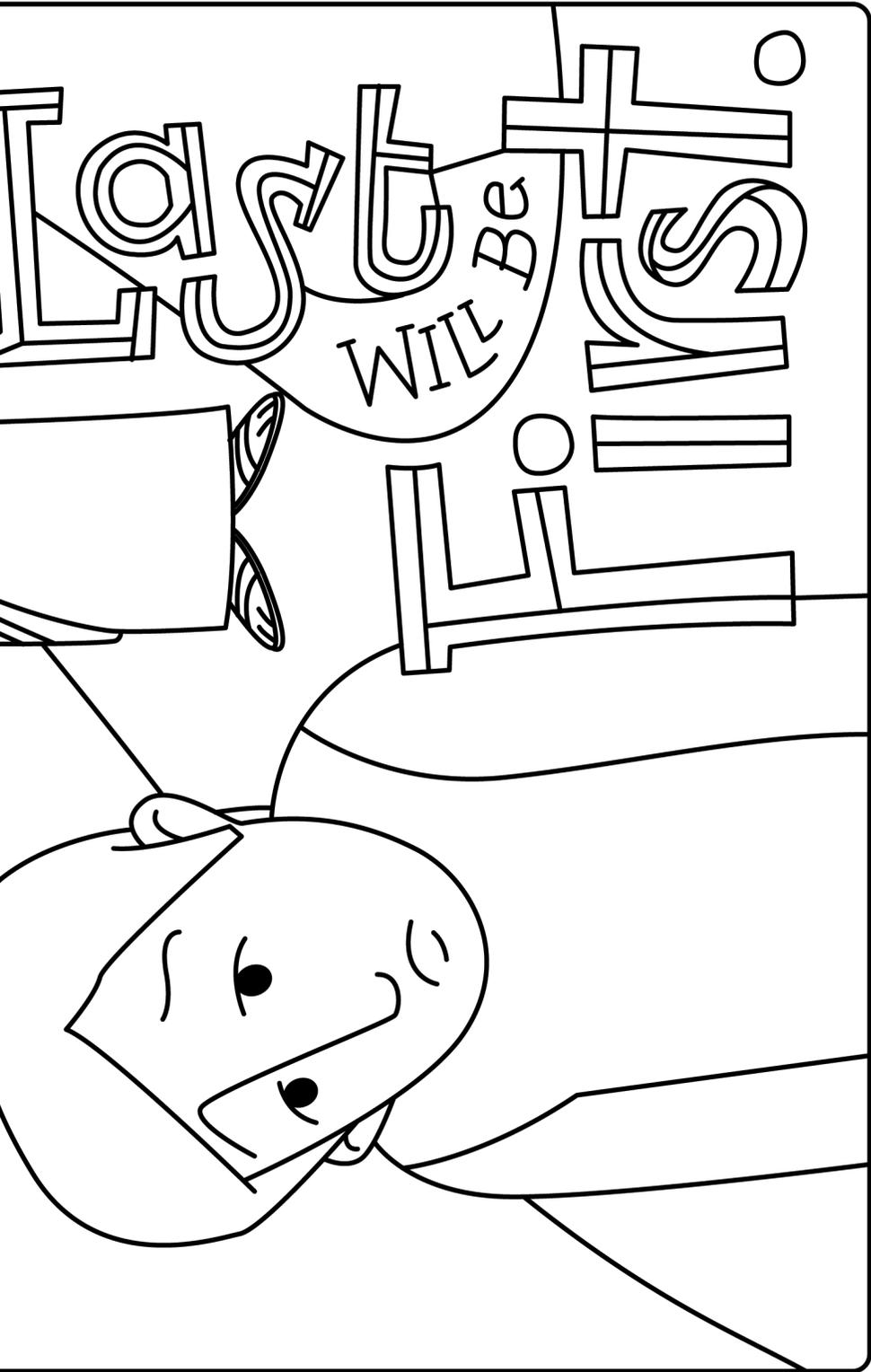


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FIRST WILL BE LAST

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TALK WITH THE PREACHER

Read Pastor Amy's blog online at talkwiththepreacher.org.

Printed copies are also available in the Welcome Center/Gift Shop.

Pastor Amy is available for conversations with members by appointment.

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