

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



OCTOBER 7, 2018
TWENTIETH 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:

And we will become bread
for a hungry world.
And we will become drink
for those who thirst.
And the blessed
will become the blessing.
And everywhere
will be the feast.

– Jan Richardson

This is our final week exploring wisdom as we complete our series entitled, “Living a Good Life.” We’ve taken a look at what it means to maintain a good name and develop a good mind. We’ve cultivated the roots of being a good community, sought out what is a good cause, and this week we will encourage a good practice within our lives. We’ll also be asking you to share with us the best piece of wisdom you’ve ever received as we journey together on the way to living a good life.

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 Coffee Hour in South hall directly after Worship. As you leave the Nave, take a right and follow the hallway past Christ Chapel. Signs and greeters are available to provide direction. Breakfast and lunch for purchase will be in Assembly Hall.

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

Chorale Prelude on "Deck Yourself, My Soul"
Charles Semowich, Guest Carillonneur

G. P. Telemann

ORGAN

Adagio in E
Christopher Creaghan, Associate Organist

Frank Bridge

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Amy Butler

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

INTROIT

Amen, Siakudumisa

S. African Hymn, arr. S. C. Molefe

O sing now. Amen sing praises to the Lord. Amen sing praise, (O praise God's name), Amen sing praises to the Lord. (*Sung in Xhosa*)

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN 371

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Kevin Vanhook

One: Around the world today God's people gather
to break bread and pour wine.

All: We gather with them in heart and mind.

One: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

All: As part of that body we join in its unity.

One: Around the world in every language,

All: God is praised with Word and song.

One: Around the world the banquet of God
is prepared for God's people.

**All: We come eagerly to be fed and share God's bounty.
Let us worship together with all God's people!**

+All who are able, please stand

+OPENING PRAYER

LISTENING

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

ANTHEM

Give Me Jesus

Spiritual, arr. L. L. Fleming

O, when I am alone, O when I am alone give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus. O, when I come to die, O, when I come to die give me Jesus. And when I want to sing, and when I want to sing, give me Jesus. And when I am alone, give me Jesus.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper

One: Across the barriers that divide race from race:

All: reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

One: Across the barriers that divide rich from poor:

All: reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

One: Across the barriers that divide people of different cultures:

All: reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

One: Across the barriers that divide Christians:

All: reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

One: Across the barriers that divide men and women, young and old:

All: reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

One: Confront us, O Christ, with the hidden prejudices and fears

All: that deny and betray our prayers.

One: Enable us to see the causes of strife,

All: remove from us all senses of superiority.

One: Teach us to grow in unity with all God's children.

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

(page 453 in the Old Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Rev. Kevin Wright

Rev. Ellen Robison

Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper

EPISTLE LESSON

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

(page 218 in the New Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Rev. Michael Livingston

+HYMN

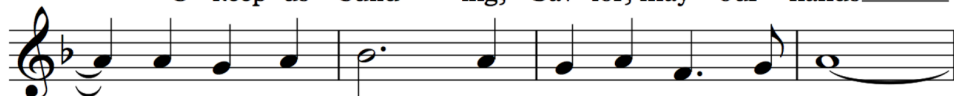
We Would Be Building²

Finlandia



We would be build - ing; tem-ples still un- done_____

O keep us build - ing, Sav-ior; may our hands_____



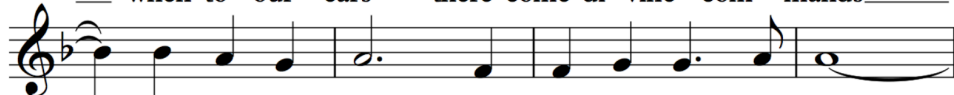
— o'er crum bling walls their cross-es scarce - ly lift,_____

— ne'er fal - ter when the dream is in our hearts,_____



— wait-ing till love can raise the bro - ken stone,_____

— when to our ears there come di-vine com mands_____



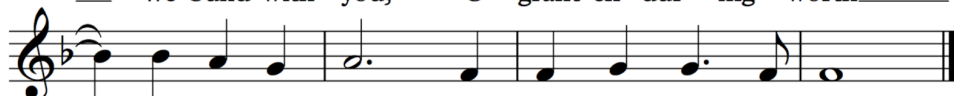
— and hearts cre - a - tive bridge the hu - man rift,_____

— and all the pride of sin - ful will de- parts,_____



— We would be build - ing, Ar - chi-tect Di- vine,_____

— We build with you, O grant en - dur - ing worth_____



— re - veal the shape of life in your de - sign.

— un - til your prom - ised realm shall come on earth.

+GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 10:2-16

(page 46 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Challon Perry

+All who are able, please stand

SERMON

Rev. Butler

Living a Good Life: A Good Practice

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*

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Rev. Aaron Rogers

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The One Hundred Fiftieth Psalm

Howard Hanson

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise her with the psaltery and harp. Praise her with the timbrel and dance: praise her with stringed instruments and organ. Praise her upon the loud cymbals: praise her upon the high sounding cymbals. Let everything that hath breath praise him. Alleluia.

✚ 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. Rogers

Today we celebrate the work of our Communion Ministry, which faithfully prepares and serves Communion for worship on the first Sunday of each month and other special liturgical services throughout the year.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Riverside Pastoral Staff

Following each petition, please join in the following responses:

One: God of all people,
All: hear our prayer.

✚ *All who are able, please stand*

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

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Rev. Butler

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

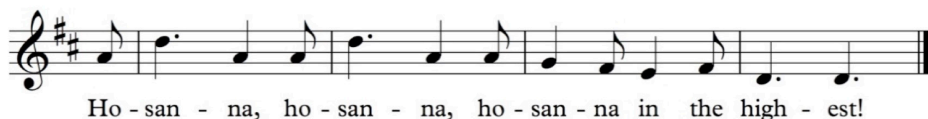
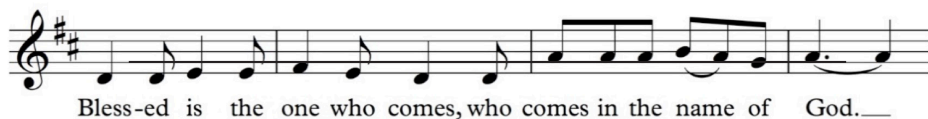
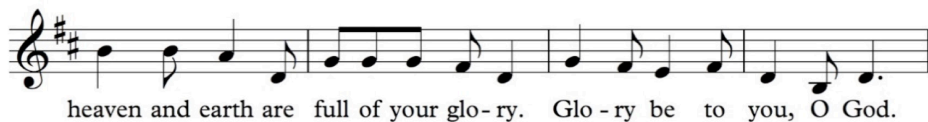
One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

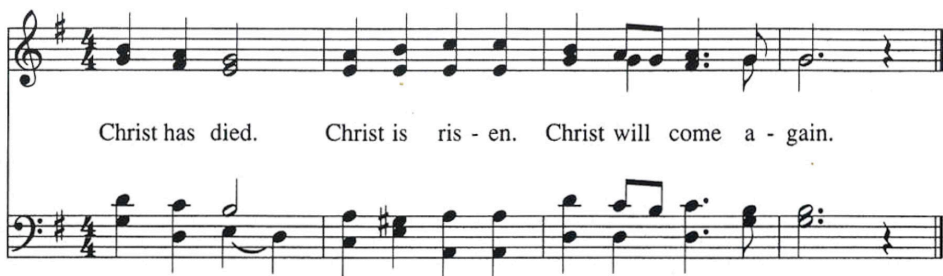
SANCTUS



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

†All who are able, please stand

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The image shows musical notation for the Memorial Acclamation. It consists of two staves, a treble staff and a bass staff, both in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the staves: "Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

CALL TO SUPPER

One: The body of Christ, broken for you.

All: Thanks be to God for the bread of life!

One: The blood of Christ, poured out for you.

All: Thanks be to God for the cup of blessing!

A gluten-free option for communion bread is available upon request from a communion server.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

ORGAN

Largo, from Trio Sonata No. 2 (BWV 526)
Communion sur 'Lauda Sion'

Johann Sebastian Bach
Denis Bédard

CHOIR

Ubi caritas

Ola Gjeilo

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. (*Sung in Latin*)

HYMN 367

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Chereponi

+PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Rev. Butler

Compassionate God, you have met us in the bread and cup at this your table. As we go from this place may we receive strength to walk with all your children in peace, and witness to the truth of your reconciliation and love. Amen

SENDING

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

+BENEDICTION

+RECESSIONAL HYMN

For the Healing of the Nations

Jennings-Houston



For_____ the heal - ing of the na - tions,_____
Lead_____ us now, Lord, in - to free - dom,_____
All_____ that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing,_____
You,_____ cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten,_____



Lord, we pray with one ac - cord; For a just and e - qual
From des - pair your world re - lease; That re-deemed from war and
Let it from the earth be banned; Pride of sta - tus, race or
Your great name on hu-man-kind; For our grow - ing in your



shar - ing_____ Of the things that earth af - fords.
ha - tred,_____ All may come and go in peace.
school - ing,_____ Dog - mas that ob - scure your plan.
like - ness_____ Bring the life of Christ to mind:



To a life of love in ac - tion
Show us how through care and good - ness
In our com - mon quest for jus - tice
That by our re - sponse and ser - vice



Help us rise and pledge our word.
Fear will die and hope in - crease.
May we hal - low life's brief span.
Earth its des - ti - ny may find.

POSTLUDE

Pardon, O Christ, Your Servants

Marcel Dupré

Christopher Johnson, Director of Music & Organist

Liturgical Resources for Today:

¹*The Worship Sourcebook*

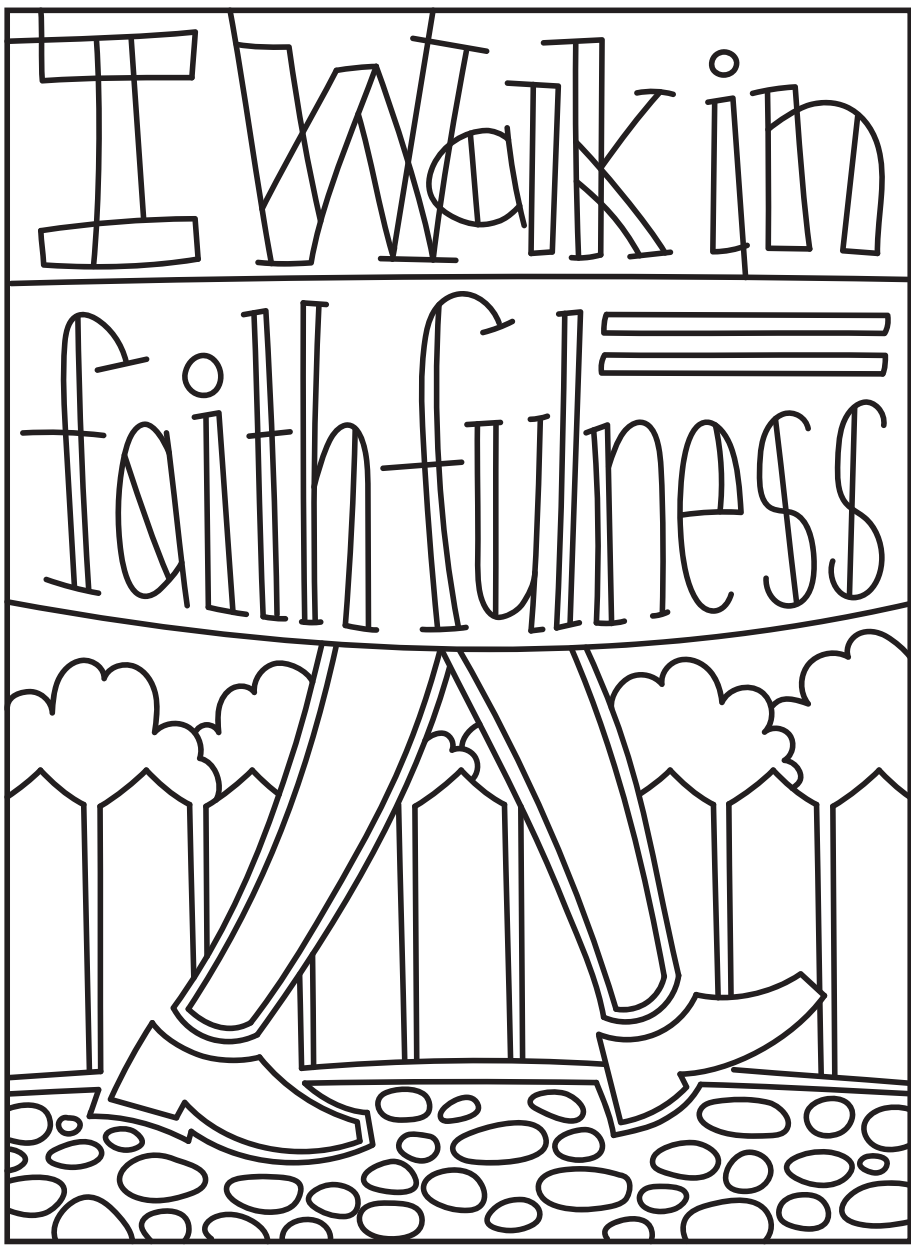
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*Special thanks to our congregational leader:
Challon Perry*

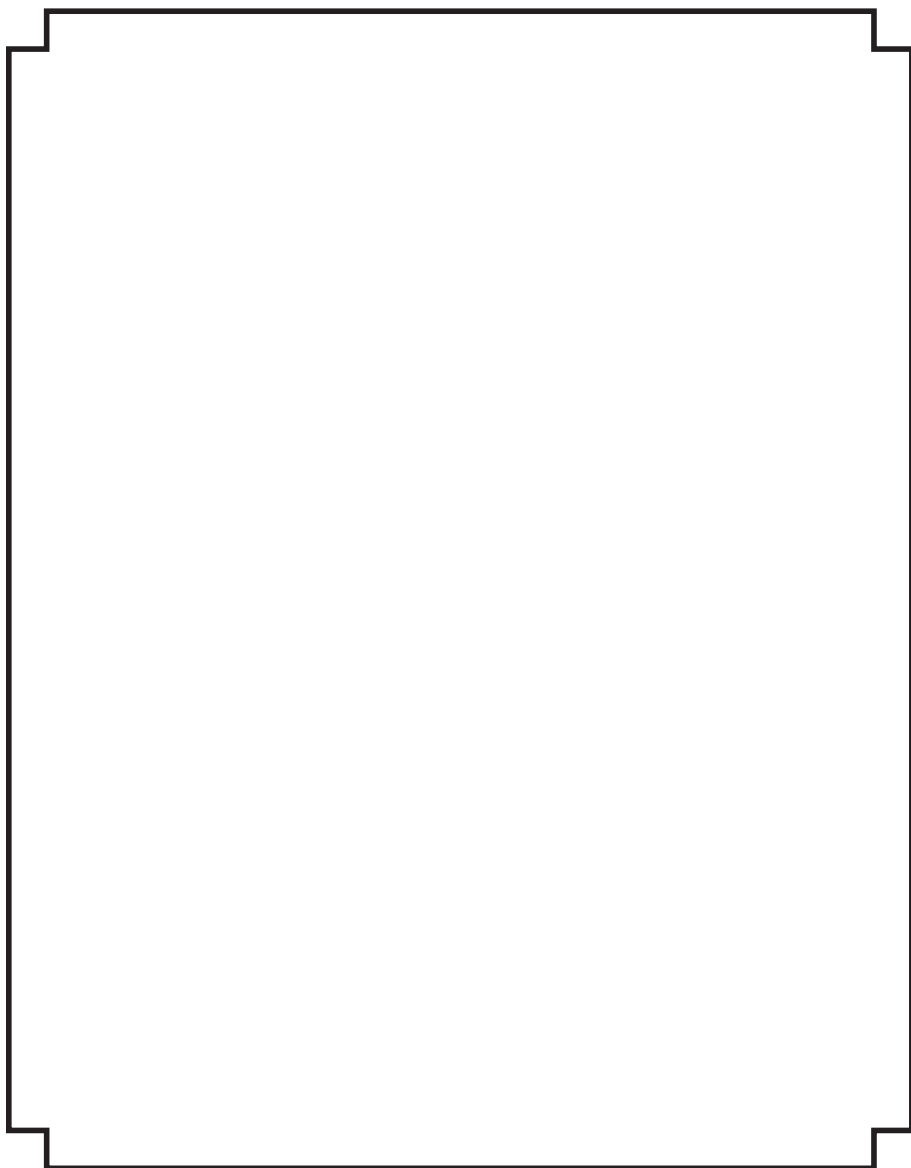
Healing Prayer, typically offered the first Sunday of every month immediately following Worship, is available today. Two of Riverside's ministers will be at the front of the Nave to pray for anyone who desires it.

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 website www.trcnyc.org.



DRAW IT



In Psalm 26:3, David says, "Your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you." David sees examples of God's love all around him. **Draw a picture of something that shows you God's constant love.**

WORDSEARCH

Try to find the words from Hebrews 1 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

F	G	F	B	C	R	Y	S	L	O	M	N	O	Z	K
L	Q	W	S	H	C	E	Z	C	O	A	T	O	J	R
H	X	W	S	D	K	D	J	B	M	R	A	R	A	E
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E	J	S	U	Y	Q	G	A	C	L	C	G	T	Q	T
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I	C	W	K	W	N	F	Y	T	S	E	J	A	M	M
L	V	H	A	A	D	Q	Q	Y	D	R	O	W	T	A
H	Z	B	P	O	W	E	R	F	U	L	P	D	F	N

GOD
ANCESTOR
PROPHET
SON
WORLD
REFLECTION

GLORY
SUSTAIN
POWERFUL
WORD
MAJESTY
ANGELS

NAME
HUMAN
CROWN
CONTROL
JESUS
GRACE

WHOEVER WELCOMES
ONE SUCH CHILD
IN MY NAME
WELCOMES ME





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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