

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



MAY 12, 2019
TELL THE TRUTH

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:

Imagine if every church became a place where everyone is safe, but no one
is comfortable. Imagine if every church became a place where we told one
another the truth. We might just create sanctuary.

-Rachel Held Evans

THE LITURGICAL YEAR

The Riverside Church follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together. We are currently in the season of Eastertide, a period of 50 days following the resurrection of Jesus Christ until Pentecost. The liturgical color of Eastertide is white, which symbolizes the hope of the resurrection, as well as the purity and newness that comes from victory over sin and death, as signified by the paraments and clergy stoles.

REVIVE US, O LORD

We are currently in an exciting six-week series in worship on welcoming revival and newness of life in our personal lives, our life together as a church and as members of the global family. We'll be diving into the Gospel of John as we highlight practices like forgiveness, telling the truth, healing and being witnesses. During these six weeks we'll enjoy music from the Boyd Family Singers, remember the 50th anniversary of the Black Manifesto, celebrate Mother's Day and radically recommit ourselves and our church to being God's "Easter" people in the world.

IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST VISIT:

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

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.



SINGING

Traditional

Over My Head

*Over my head I see trouble in the air.
Over my head I see trouble in the air.
Over my head I see trouble in the air;
There must be a God somewhere!*

*Over my head I hear music in the air...
There must be a God somewhere!*

*Over my head I hear singing in the air...
There must be a God somewhere!*

*Over my head I see glory in the air...
There must be a God somewhere!*

O Happy Day

Hawkins

*Oh happy day
Oh happy day
When Jesus washed
When Jesus washed
When Jesus washed
He washed my sins away*

Oh happy day...

*He taught me how
To watch, fight and pray
And live rejoicing every day*

Oh happy day...

WELCOME

Rev. Christian Peele

MUSIC

Traditional

Give Me Joy in My Heart

*Cherub Choir
Sharon Pritchard, director*

CALLING ON THE HOLY SPIRIT¹

Minister Charlene Wingate

**We worship the God who inhabits our world
and indwells our lives.**

**We need not look up to find God,
we need only to look around:
within ourselves,
beyond ourselves,
into the eyes of another.**

**We need not listen for a distant thunder to find God,
we need only listen to the music of life,
the words of children,
the questions of the curious,
the rhythm of a heartbeat.**

**We worship the God who inhabits our world
and who indwells our lives.**

PRAYER

MUSIC

Love is the Answer!

Words & Music by Anand Gan

His face is dark, she's not from here. He's not like the other boys, this much is clear. When you look in the mirror, when you hold out a hand, you're gonna understand. More than one color, more than one size. All people are beautiful, open up your eyes. Love is the answer, peace is the prize. Stop wasting time on hate and open up your eyes. Love is the answer, open up your eyes. What's on your mind, why so much rage? Take a minute to think about this golden age. When you look in the mirror, when you hold out a hand, you will understand. More than one color, more than one size. All people are beautiful, open up your eyes. Love is the answer, peace is the prize. Stop wasting time on hate and open up your eyes. Love is the answer, open up your eyes.

The Riverside Rising Voices Choir

Matthew Hommez, director

Yuliya Basis, accompanist

TESTIMONY

Rev. Bruce Lamb

MUSIC

John Dwight Boyd

Think On These Things

Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of a good report. If there be any virtue and if there be any praise, think on these things. Think on these things.

The Boyd Family

✚GOSPEL READING

John 10:22-30

(pgs. 104 in *New Testament*)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

David Ganci

MESSAGE

Who Are You

Rev. Peele

HYMN 90

How Great Thou Art

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*O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed*

Chorus

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

*And when I think of God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin*

Chorus

*When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And lead me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow with humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art*

Chorus

SHARING THE PEACE

Farley Lord

One: Peace be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

RADICAL COMMITMENT

Tell one truth about yourself...

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.**

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Rev. Lamb

OFFERING

arr. Gilbert Martin

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God! All things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood. See from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did ever such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

✚PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

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

***To God be the glory,
To God be the glory,
To God be the glory,
For the things You have done.***

✚PRAYER OF GRATITUDE AND CELEBRATION

Rev. Lamb

Today we celebrate the ministry of our QTRC: Young Adult LGBTQ Fellowship which, provides community for LGBTQ young adults to ask questions, fellowship and support each other.

✚SENDING OUT

Rev. Peele

✚HYMN 354
Guide My Feet

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*Guide my feet while I run this race, (yes, my Lord!)
guide my feet while I run this race, (yes, my Lord!)
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)*

*Hold my hand while I run this race...
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)*

*Stand by me while I run this race...
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)*

*I'm your child while I run this race...
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)*

*Search my heart while I run this race...
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)*

*Guide my feet while I run this race...
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)*

POSTLUDE

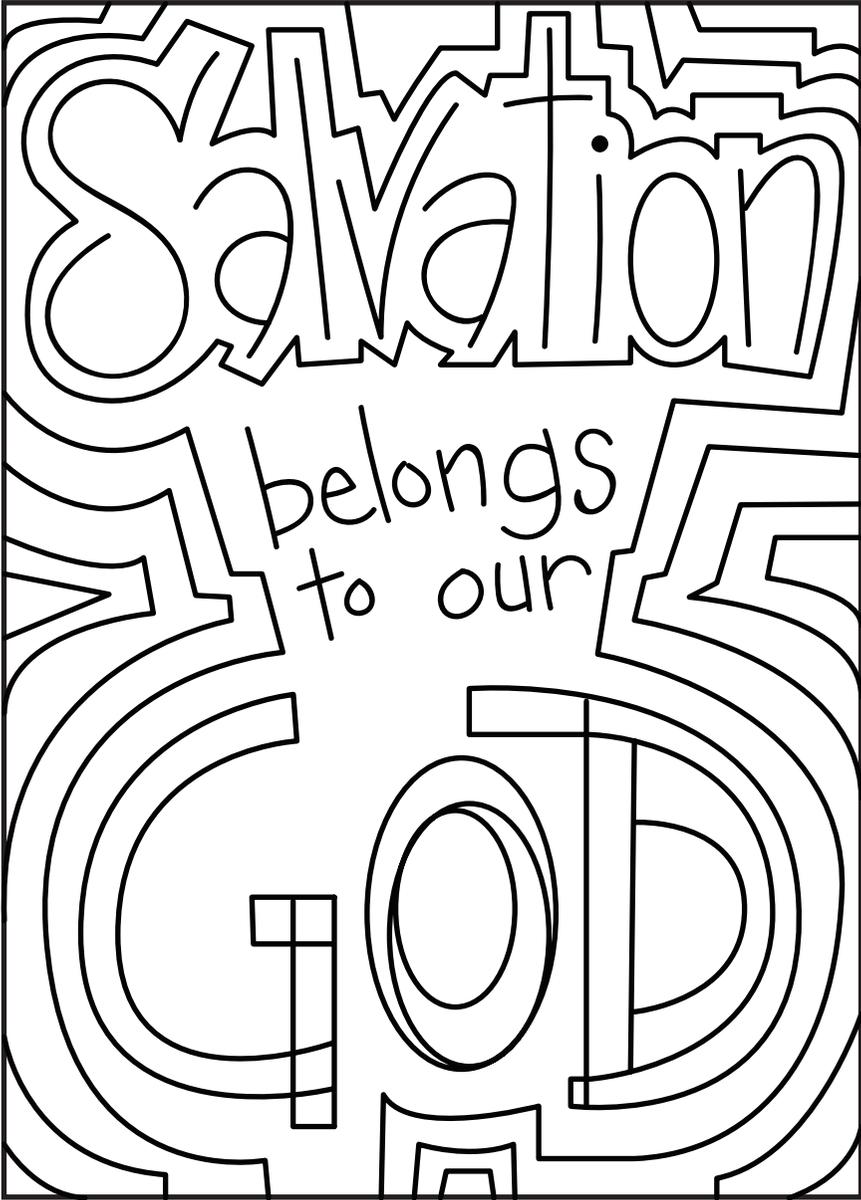
arr. Alice Jordan

Salutation on "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

*Special thanks to our congregational leader:
David Ganci*

Liturgical Resources for Today:

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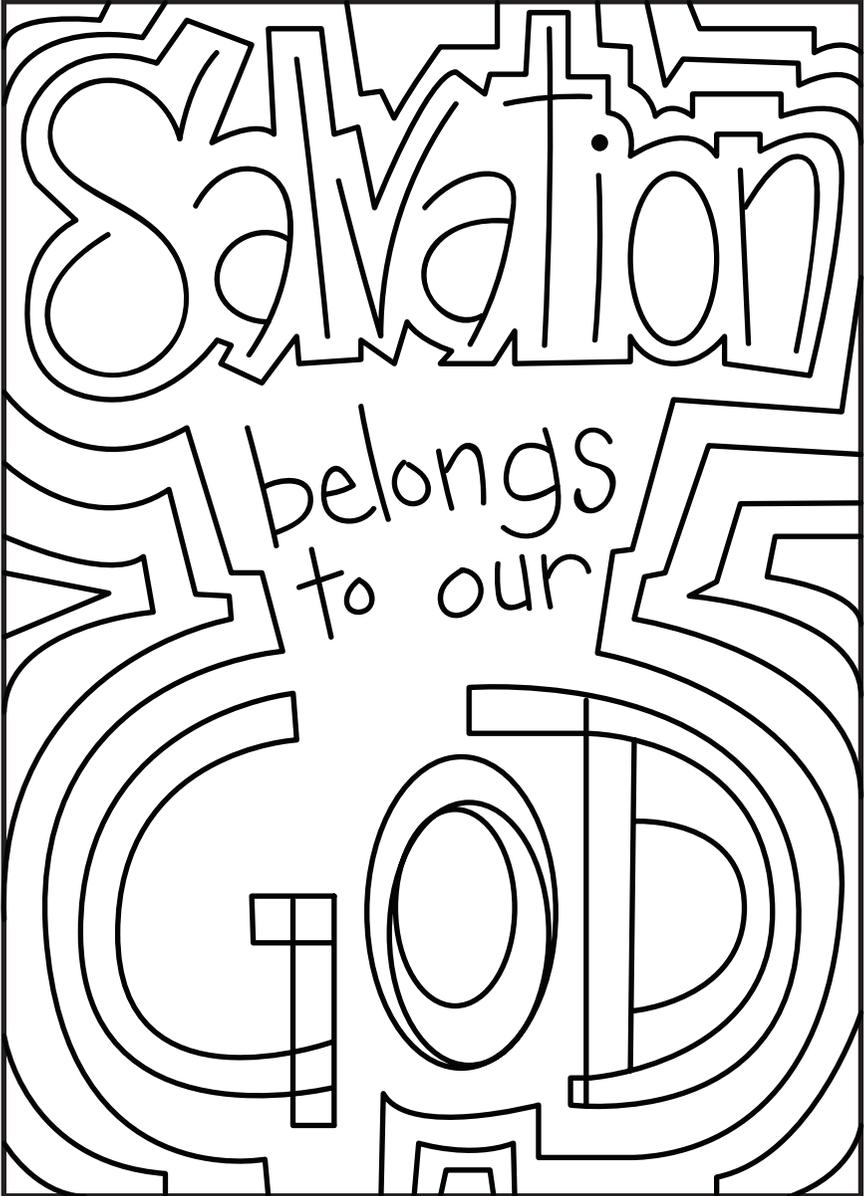
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ABOUT RIVERSIDE

The Riverside Church is an interdenominational, interracial, international, open, welcoming, and affirming church and congregation. The church is a member of the American Baptist Churches, U.S.A. and the United Church of Christ. Riverside cooperates with the Council of Churches in the City of New York and with the New York State, National, and World Council of Churches. Rev. Dr. Amy Butler is the seventh senior minister of the church and the first woman to serve in this position at the church. Whoever you are: You are safe here. You are loved here. You are invited into full participation in our life together.

Rev. Dr. Amy Butler, Senior Minister
Rev. Dr. James Forbes, Senior Minister Emeritus

TALK WITH THE PREACHER

Read transcripts of Pastor Amy's sermons online at trcnyc.org/sermons.
Follow Pastor Amy on Twitter at @PastorAmyTRC.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

For announcements of programs and events at The Riverside Church, please pick up the Life of the Community newsletter located in the back of the pew or outside the Welcome Center. Visit trcnyc.org/Events for more information and to download a copy.

PARKING - 5/12/2019

Parking is available in the garage below the building. Present this bulletin to the attendant before 6:00 p.m. for a reduced rate of \$5.00.

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