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:

“If God is anything, God is love.”

-Jenny Boylan

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.

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
Litanies  
Jehan Alain, arr. J. Bezuijen
Charles Semowich, guest carillonneur

CHOIR
Cantilene, from Sonata No. 11  
Josef Rheinberger
When In Our Music God is Glorified  
McNeil Robinson

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

RECOGNITION OF EDGAR RICHARDS SCHOLAR AWARD RECIPIENTS
Max Fuhr
Philip Huertas
Leanna Quach

PROCESIONAL HYMN
Community of Christ  
Leoni

All who are able, please stand
CALL TO WORSHIP

One:  God of Life, you have declared that for everyone born, a place at the table!
All:  God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy!

One:  Loving God, open our ears, that we may hear your voice in the cries of the oppressed
All:  Enter our hearts, that we may be filled with your love toward all people.

One:  All are welcome in this place. Come let us worship the God of love on this Pride Sunday!
All:  For everyone born, a place at the table.

INVOCATION

SOLO

If With All Your Hearts, from ‘Elijah’  
Felix Mendelssohn

If with all your hearts ye truly seek me, Ye shall ever surely find me, Thus saith our God. Ye shall ever surely find me, Thus saith our God.

Matthew Krenz, tenor

LISTENING

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON


HYMN 389

O Jesus, I Have Promised  
Nyland

GOSPEL LESSON


One:  This is the Gospel of Christ.
All:  Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Certain Standards  
Rev. Butler

RESPONDING

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

All who are able, please stand
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.

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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE
One: The peace of the Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE
OFFERTORY SOLO
Sanctus from ‘St. Cecelia Mass’
Charles Gouno
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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;

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION
Today we celebrate the ministry of Maranatha, which for over forty years has worked to provide a safe and welcoming haven where lesbian, bisexual, transgender, gay, and queer identified people can be their whole selves, find healing community, and share their God-given gifts in faith and love.

BLESSING OF THE PRIDE PARADE MARCHERS
SENDING
We are sent out into the world to love God and our neighbors

BENEDICTION
All who are able, please stand
+++ RECESSIONAL HYMN
In the Midst of New Dimensions

In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of
Through the flood of starving people, warring factions
As we stand a world divided by our own self-
Should the threats of dire predictions cause us to with-
changing ways, Who will lead the pilgrim peoples
and despair, Who will lift the olive branches?
seeking schemes, Grant that we, your global village,
draw in pain, May your blazing phoenix spirit
wan-dering in their separate ways?
Who might light the flame of care?
might envision wider dreams.
rect the church again.

Refrain

God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar,

We your people, ours the journey now and ever,

now and ever, now and evermore.

+++ POSTLUDE
Promenade

Gordon Young

Special thanks to our congregational leaders:

All who are able, please stand
Draw It

In Galatians 5, we learn that, "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." Choose one of these "fruits," and draw a picture of what it looks like to live this. For example, a picture of kindness might be you helping your little sister. Or patience might involve you waiting for your turn to play with a toy.
In Luke 8, Jesus heals a man in a very powerful way. What does Jesus tell the man to do after he is healed?

Follow the path of letters, and each time you come to a capital letter, write it below. See what is spelled out after you collect all the letters.

In 1 Kings, the prophet Elijah really wants to hear God's voice. He goes up to a mountain and waits. There is a big earthquake, but God's voice wasn't in the earthquake. There was a fire, but God's voice wasn't in the fire. And then, there was a beautiful silence, and Elijah knew that God was going to speak to him in that stillness.

Draw a picture of Elijah listening for God's voice on the mountain.

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What does the Psalmist do when things are hard in life?

Unscramble the words to find out!

I         LIWL CLAL OT NIDM

HET EDSED

FO EHT

DORL I LWIL

RBMEREEM

ROYU NOWSRED

FO LOD

Try to find the words from 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.
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I L I W L C L A L O T N I D M

H E T E D S E D

F O E H T

D O R L I L W I L

R B M E R E E M

R O Y U N O W S R E D

F O L O D
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 - 6/30/2019
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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