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:

Whoever you are: You are safe here. You are loved here.
You are welcome into full participation in our life together.

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THE LITURGICAL YEAR
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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.

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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.

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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
On Chester
Charles Semowich, guest carillonneur

ORGAN
Pièce héroïque

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY
Rev. Michael Livingston

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 262
God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand
National Hymn

CALL TO WORSHIP
Rev. Bruce Lamb
One: God who draws us in:
All: We gather today to love and to be loved,
to know and to be known,
to give and to receive.
One: God who calls us out:
All: We enter the world to love and to be loved,
to know and to be known,
to give and to receive.
One: God who is always with us:
All: We find you in this place so that we might find you in every place.
May we find you in every song, every prayer, every word, every breath.

INVOCATION

All who are able, please stand
LISTENING

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

SOLO
The Call                          Ralph Vaughan Williams

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath: Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death. Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a feast: Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move: Such a Love, as none can part: Such a Heart, as joys in love.

Jeremy Leung, baritone

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON  Lee Sartain
Psalm 30

One:  The Word of God for the People of God.
All:  Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON  Farley Lord
Galatians 6:7-16

One:  The Word of God for the People of God.
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HYMN
Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

Beach Spring

Lord, whose love through humble service Bore the weight of human need, Who upon the cross, for hunger cry for bread; Still the captives long for love's revealing light, In its height and depth and Your dear name we go, To the child, the youth, the sa-ken, Offered mercy's perfect deed. We, Your freedom; Still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O greatness, Dawns upon our quickened sight. Mak-ing aged, Love in living deeds to show; Hope and servants, bring the worship Not of voice alone, but Lord, Your deep compassion Healed the sick and freed the known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us health, good will and comfort, Counsel, aid, and peace, we heart, Consecrating to Your soul, Use the love Your Spirit bear, Stirring us to tireless give, That Your servants, Lord, in purpose every gift that You impart. kin-dles Still to save and make us whole. striv-ing, Your abundant life to share. free-dom May Your mercy know and live.

†All who are able, please stand
GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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

SERMON
Rev. Livingston

Peace, Joy, Work

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Riverside Pastoral Staff

Following each petition, please join in the following responses:

One: O God, hear our prayer.
All: God’s love endures forever.

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 THE TABLE
Rev. Livingston

WORDS OF INSTITUTION
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 DURING COMMUNION

ORGAN
Prelude in D-Flat Major (Op. 19, No. 1)  
John Knowles Paine

HYMN 507
I Come with Joy  
Dove of Peace

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Livingston
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

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Farley Lord

OFFERTORY SOLO

O Divine Redeemer  
Charles Gounod

Ah, turn me not away, receive me though unworthy. Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress! Answer me from Thy throne, haste Thee, Lord, to mine aid! Thy pity show in my deep anguish, let not the sword of vengeance smite me, though righteous Thine anger, O Lord! Shield me in danger, oh, regard me! On Thee, Lord, alone will I call! O divine Redeemer, O divine Redeemer! I pray thee grant me pardon, and remember not, remember not my sins! Forgive me! Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee. Come to mine aid, O Lord! Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me! Hear my cry! Save me, Lord, in Thy mercy; hear my cry! Come and save me, O Lord! Save in the day of retribution; from death shield Thou me, O my God! O divine Redeemer, have mercy! Help me Savior!

Kendra Berentsen, soprano
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 Farley Lord
Today we celebrate Riverside’s digital ministry. We all encounter God in different ways. In an increasingly digital world, that includes videos, podcasts, and social media. Riverside’s digital ministry connects with over twenty thousand individuals across the country and around the world.

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

†BENEDICTION

†RECESSIONAL HYMN 420
God of Grace and God of Glory Cwm Rhondda

_POSTLUDE_
Postlude on “London New” Harvey Grace

Special thanks to our congregational leaders:
Lee Sartain & Kara Dago-Clark
What does the Psalmist do when things are hard in life?

Unscramble the words to find out!

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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.

In Luke 10, Jesus sends his followers out to share his good news and hope. Each person has a partner, and they go to neighboring towns to share Jesus' peace and love. Imagine that you are being sent by Jesus to do this. Who would you bring as your partner? **Draw a picture of you two going to share Jesus' love.**
COLOR IN THE WORDS

O Lord, my God, I CRIED to you for help and you have healed ME.
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. Whoever you are: You are safe here. You are loved here. You are invited into full participation in our life together.

Rev. Michael Livingston, Interim Senior Minister
Rev. Dr. James FOrbes, Senior Minister Emeritus

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 - 7/07/2019
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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