

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



SEPTEMBER 29, 2019
SIXTEENTH 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:

“The Church is the only institution that exists primarily for the benefit of those who are not its members.”

-William Temple

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

Variations on "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

Leen 't Hart

ORGAN

Adagio in E Major

Frank Bridge

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Jim Keat

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 461

God Is Here!

Abbot's Leigh

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Hsien-Yu Wang

One: Jesus offers a new-old commandment:

All: Love one another as I have loved you.

One: With the incredible power
and the unfathomable depth
of God's love for us,

**All: we can, we must
love one another.**

One: And it is in this,
our love for one another,

**All: that the world will know
the God of love that we worship.
Come, children of God,
let us love one another.**

†INVOCATION

†*All who are able, please stand*

LISTENING

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

ANTHEM

Jesus Promised

T.W. Carpenter

Oh how wonderful it is, Jesus promised he'll take care of me! Oh how marvelous it is, Jesus promised he'll take care of me. I don't have to worry about the things ahead. All I have to do is live right, and believe in what he said. I can call him in the morning, I can call him in the middle of the night. And when I call him, he makes everything all right. It does not matter how big the problem may be! Jesus promised he'll take care of me!

The Riverside Inspirational Choir

Nedra Olds-Neal, director

Matt King, piano

Jonathon Peretz, percussion

Tash Neal, bass

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Rev. Kevin VanHook

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

(pg. 736 in the Old Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Carol Fouke-Mpoyo

1 Timothy 6:6-19

(pg. 210 in the New Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

†HYMN

Within Your Shelter, Loving God

Amazing Grace



With - in Your shel - ter, lov - ing God, My ref - uge_ and my
Be - cause I__ trust in You a - lone, No ev - il__ shall come
Your ho - ly__ an - gels bear me up and keep my_ feet se -
As of - ten__ as I call to You, You kind - ly__ hear my
All those who know Your name on earth shall life a - bun - dant



tower,_____ I safe - ly__ walk by day__ and__
near._____ The strong__ de - fend - er of__ my__
cure._____ Though fierce__ and__ an - gry foes__ as -
prayer._____ In times__ of__ trou - ble and__ dis -
know._____ On all__ a - bid - ing in__ Your.



night be - neath Your_ guid - ing power._____
home, with You I__ have no fear._____
sail, In You my__ way is sure._____
tress I rest in__ Your own care._____
love Your sav - ing__ grace be - stow._____

†GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 16:19-31

(pg. 79 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

For the Love

Rev. Keat

†All who are able, please stand

RESPONDING

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Alisha Gordon

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to 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.

CHORAL AMEN

✚PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Hsien-Yu Wang

✚*All who are able, please stand*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing *arr. Mack Wilberg*
Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams
of mercy, never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some
melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount I'm fixed
upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by
thy throne I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at
home. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's
my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. Jesus sought me
when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from
danger, interposed his precious blood. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm
constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to
thee.

† 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. VanHook

*Today we celebrate the work of our Small Group Ministry, which provides educational
and spiritual growth opportunities for people in our church and in the community.*

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SENDING

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

✚BENEDICTION

Rev. Keat

✚RECESSIONAL HYMN 210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

St. Anne

POSTLUDE

“The people respond - Amen!”¹

Dan Locklair

Welcome to the newest members of our
Riverside Church family who joined September 22, 2019

Christian Sineath Grant
Les Grant
Gary S. Bogle
Lissa Dodington

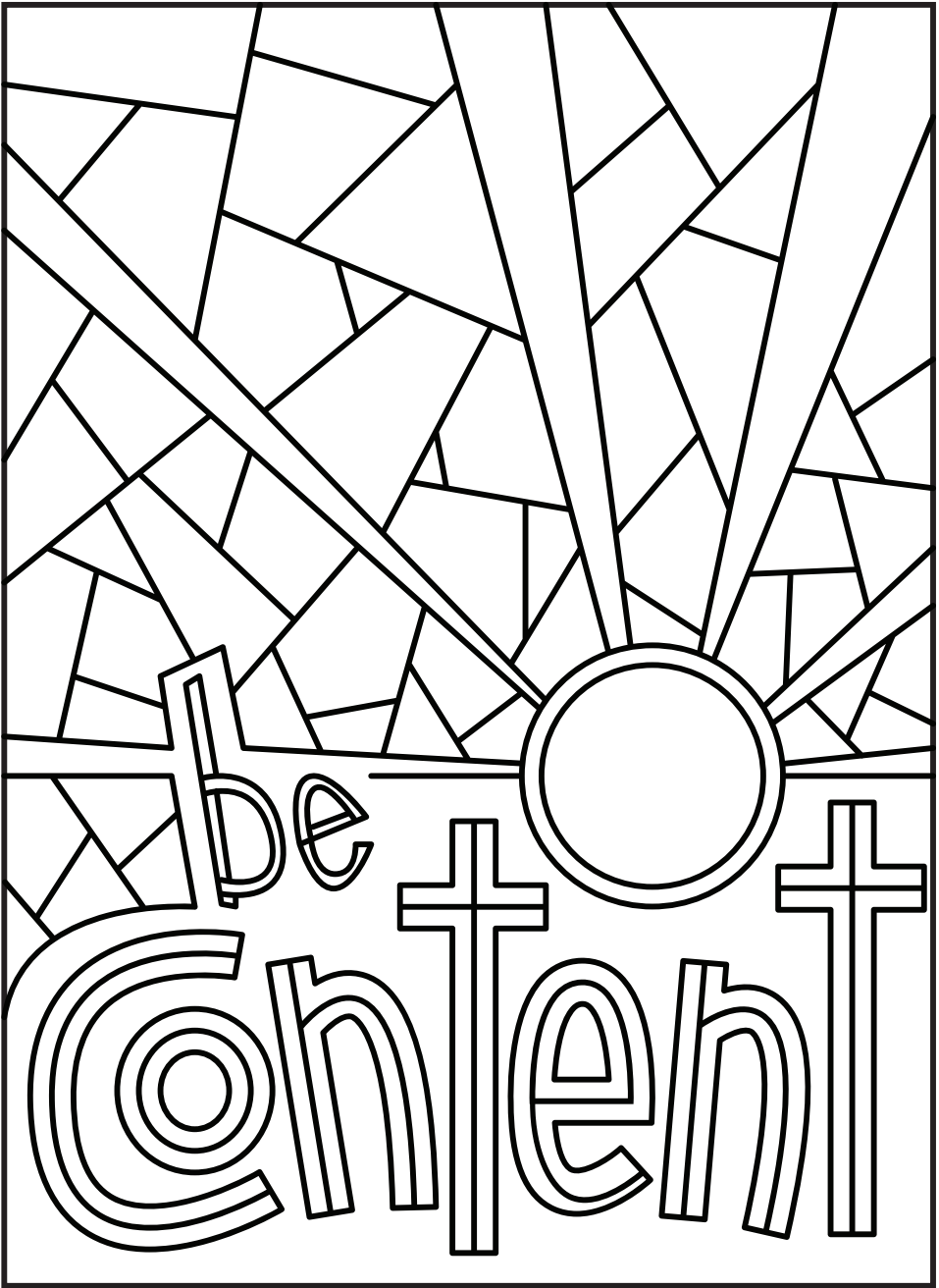
Jia Liu
Lara Richardson
Lucas Lopes
Joel Francois

Liturgical Resources for Today:

¹*From Rubrics*

*Special thanks to our congregational leader:
Carol Fouke-Mpoyo*

✚*All who are able, please stand*





DRAW IT

1 Timothy 6 talks about contentment. Another word for contentment is gratitude. Draw 3 things for which you are grateful and want to thank God.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing the first of three things the user is grateful for.A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing the second of three things the user is grateful for.A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing the third of three things the user is grateful for.

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**](http://trcnyc.org/Events) for more information and to download a copy.

PARKING - 9/29/2019

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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