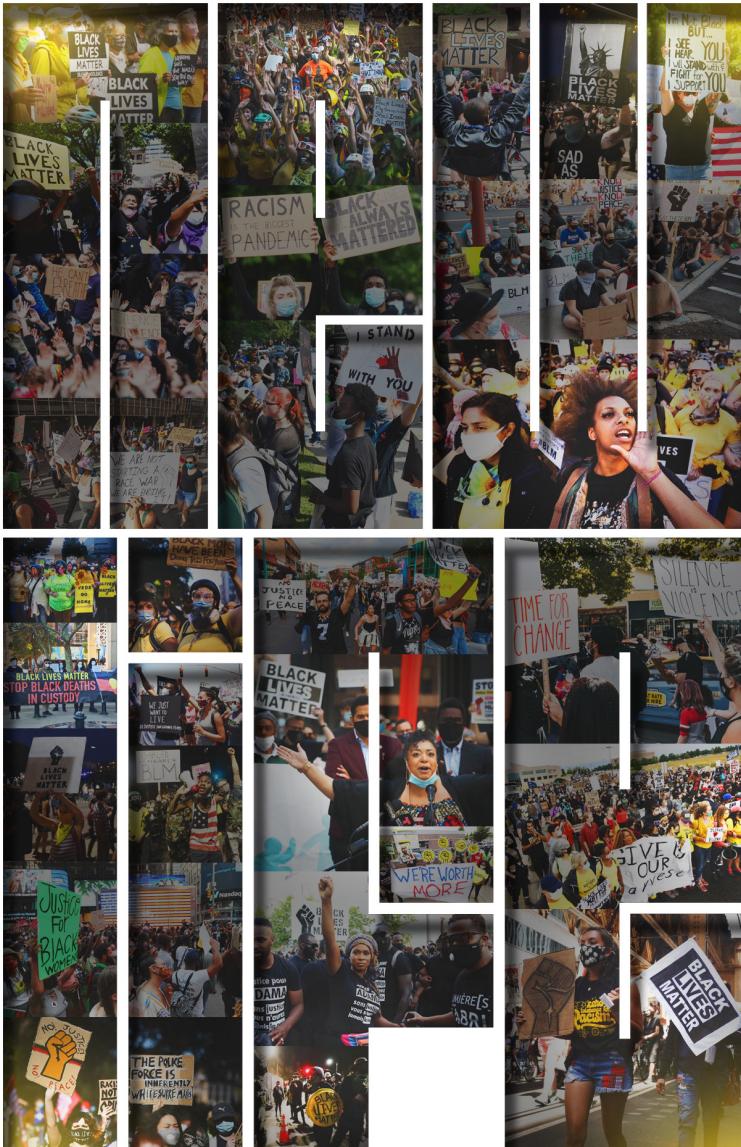


The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



AUGUST 2, 2020
NINTH 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:

"Jayapal, it's Jayapal. If you're going to say my name, say it right. Names matter."
-Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-WA

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.

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GATHERING

We gather as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God

CARILLON

A Scandinavian Hymn

Charles, Semowich, Carillonneur

arr. Leen 't Hart

ORGAN

My Lord, What a Morning

Spiritual, arr. Nancy Wertsch

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: With honor and truth we pray to our God.

All: **Review our purpose. May your eyes see what is right.**

One: We wrestle with living in this world by your ways.

All: **We persevere. Holding steadfast on your path.**

One: We call you, confident you will answer.

All: **In your righteous hands we find refuge. Show us the wonder of your love on this day and always.**

OPENING HYMN 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe

I sing the mighty power of God
That made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad
And built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
The sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command,
And all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord
That filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word
And then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed,
Where'er I turn my eyes;
If I survey the ground I tread,
Or gaze upon the skies!

There's not a plant or flower below
But makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
By order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee
Is ever in Thy care,
And everywhere that we can be,
Thou, God, art present there.

INVOCATION

Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper

LISTENING

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Harper

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Sam Coleman

Genesis 32:22-31

(page 30 in the Old Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMONIC SELECTION

We Shall Behold Him

Dottie Rambo

The sky shall unfold, preparing His entrance

The stars shall applaud Him with thunders of praise

The sweet light in His eyes shall enhance those awaiting

And we shall behold Him then face to face

Oh, we shall behold Him, yes, we shall behold Him

Face to face in all of His glory

Oh, we shall behold Him, yes, we shall behold Him

Face to face, our Savior and Lord

And the angels shall sound the shout of His coming

And the sleeping shall rise from their slumbering place

And those who remain shall be changed in a moment

And we shall behold Him then face to face

We shall behold Him, oh yes, we shall behold Him

Face to face in all of His glory

We shall behold Him, oh yes, we shall behold Him

Face to face, our Savior and Lord

And we shall behold Him, our Savior and Lord!

Liz Lang, soprano

Matt King, soprano

SERMON

Rev. Livingston

Limping to a New Life

RESPONDING

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

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Hsien-Yu Wang

OFFERTORY SOLO

Sanctus from ‘St. Cecelia Mass’

Charles Gounod

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Erik Rasmussen, tenor

THE DOXOLOGY

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

Hsien-Yu Wang

Today we celebrate the ministry of our Barber Training Program, which provides access to free haircuts for the community, and prepares trainees to apply for a bartering license upon graduation.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Amanda Meisenheimer

Following our petition, please join in the following response

One: To You, our provider, protector and advocate

All: Hear our prayer.

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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Rev. Harper

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God, Rul-er Al-might - y;
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Glo - ry be to you, O God.
Bless-ed is the one who comes, who comes in the name of God.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

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!**

CLOSING HYMN 419

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord¹

Repton

How clear is our vocation, Lord,
When once we heed Your call:
To live according to Your word,
And daily learn, refreshed, restored,
That You are Lord of all
And will not let us fall.

But if, forgetful, we should find
Your yoke is hard to bear,
If worldly pressures fray the mind
And love itself cannot unwind
Its tangled skein of care:
Our inward life repair.
We mark Your saints, how they became

**In hindrances more sure,
Whose joyful virtues put to shame
The casual way we wear Your name,
And by our faults obscure
Your power to cleanse and cure.**

**In what You give us, Lord, to do,
Together or alone,
In old routines or ventures new,
May we not cease to look to You--
The cross You hung upon--
All You endeavored done**

SENDING

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

BENEDICTION

Rev. Livingston

POSTLUDE

Postlude in C Major

Henry Smart

Special thanks to our congregational leader: Sam Coleman

Liturgical Resources for Today:

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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. 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

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WORSHIP ONLINE & ALL WEEK LONG

If you need more Riverside worship throughout the week, visit [trcnyc.org/
DigitalDiscipleship](http://trcnyc.org/DigitalDiscipleship) to watch the Sunday morning Livestream, videos of the sermon and the choirs, and more. Be sure to watch The Word Made Fresh, our weekly video Bible Study, and catch up on Be Still and Go, our devotional podcast.

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