

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



FEBRUARY 6, 2022
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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:

Now is the time to make real the promises of democracy. Now is the time to rise from the dark and desolate valley of segregation to the sunlit path of racial justice.

Now is the time to lift our nation from the quick sands of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood. Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children.

Martin Luther King Jr. "I Have A Dream"

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 Epiphany, as signified by white paraments and clergy stoles, symbolizing joy in the light of Christ's birth.

Whats happening at Riverside?

Learn about the events and activities of the Life of Our Community by opening your camera and scanning the code below.



Give by your phone

Make an offering using your smartphone by opening your camera and scanning the code below.

Or text TRCNYCGIVE to
833.833.4035.



Following industry standard, Riverside has secured rapid onsite COVID testing services for the health and safety of performers singing together, allowing us to permit unmasked singing. All performers will remain masked at all other times, but will unmask for anthems and singing in the chancel.



GATHERING

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

CARILLON

Communion *William Southcombe Lloyd Webber, arr. Christiana Winter*
Let Us Break Bread Together *arr. Janet Dundore Winter*
Charles Semowich, carillonneur

ORGAN

This Little Light of Mine *Calvin Taylor*
In Quiet Mood *Florence B. Price*
Christopher Creaghan, organist

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Minister Derek Jordan

One: With our whole heart, let us sing praises to God!

All: Give thanks for God's steadfast, faithful love.

One: Praise God for answering every call.

All: Give thanks for increasing our strength of soul.

One: Though we walk in the midst of trouble, God preserves us.

All: Let us worship the One who delivers, fulfilling God's purpose through the work of our hands.

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN

With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring²

St. Petersburg

1. With grate - ful heart my thanks I bring; be - fore the
2. I cried to you, and you did save; your word of
3. O Lord, en - throned in glo - ry bright, you reign a -
4. You will stretch forth your might - y arm to save me

'gods' your praise I sing. I wor - ship in your ho - ly
grace new cour - age gave. The kings of earth shall thank you,
lone in heaven - ly height; the proud in vain your fa - vor
when my foes a - larm. The work you have for me be -

place and praise you for your truth and grace; for truth and
Lord, for they have heard your won - drous word; yes, they shall
seek, but you have mer - cy for the meek. Through trou - ble
gun shall by your grace be ful - ly done. Your love for -

grace to - geth - er shine in your most ho - ly Word di - vine.
come with songs of praise for great and glo - rious are your ways.
though my path - way be, you will re - vive and strength - en me.
ev - er will en - dure: your mer - cy, Lord, is ev - er sure.

LISTENING

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Debra Northern

In a moment of silence, offer your own prayers of confession.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

No Hidin' Place

Moses Hogan

There's no hidin' place down here. Oh, I went to the rock to hide my face, the rock cried out, "No hidin' place." There's no hidin' place down here.

Oh, the rock cried, "I'm burnin' too, and I want to go to heaven as well as you."

Oh the sinner man he gambled and fell, and he wanted to go to heaven but he had to go to hell. There's no hidin' place down here.

David Jackson, tenor

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Min. Jordan

Isaiah 6:1-13

(pages 635 & 636 in the New Testament)

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

Rev. Dr. Northern

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

(page 176 in the New Testament)

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

You Walk Along Our Shoreline³

Wie Lieblich Ist Der Maien

GOSPEL LESSON

Carol White

Luke 5:1-11

(page 62 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

1. You walk a - long our shore - line where land meets un - known sea.
 2. You call us, Christ, to gath - er the peo - ple of the earth.
 3. We cast our net, O Je - sus; we cry the king - dom's name;
 We hear your voice of pow - er, "Now come and fo - low me.
 We can - not fish for on - ly those lives we think have worth.
 we work for love and jus - tice; we learn to hope through pain.
 And if you still will fol - low through storm and wave and shoal,
 We spread your net of gos - pel a - cross the wa - ter's face,
 You call us, Lord, to gath - er God's daugh - ters and God's sons,
 then I will make you fish - ers but of the hu - man soul."
 our boat a com - mon shel - ter for all found by your grace.
 to let your judg - ment heal us so that all may be one."

SERMON

Rev. Livingston

After Confession

RESPONDING

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

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Min. Jordan

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Let This Mind Be In You

Amy Beach

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in human likeness". : and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Maker. (Philippians 2:5-11)

Cynthia Powell, conductor

Kendra Berentsen, soprano

Wayne Arthur, baritone

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

Min. Jordan

Today, we celebrate the work of Lift Every Voice and Vote, which educates our Congregation and the Community about the importance of the Census and the vote, and advocates for those who are underrepresented and underserved.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Following our petition, please join in the following response:

One: O Merciful God,

All: hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pray in the language or version of your heart.

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your 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.
Save us from the time of trial, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom, 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.

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

For those worshipping online, you may join us at this time with your own gathered elements as we take communion as one church together.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

CHOIR

Esto Les Digo

Kinley Lang

This I say to you, if two of you are put in accord here in, in the earth to ask anything in prayer, my Father which is in heaven, will give it to you. Because where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I, in the midst of them.

Catherine Tyrrell, soprano

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Min. Jordan

INSPIRATIONAL DANCE

Ntrinsik Movement Dance Company

“Love Letter”

CLOSING HYMN 495

We Know That Christ Is Raised

Engelberg

SENDING

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

BENEDICTION

Rev. Livingston

POSTLUDE

Festal March

Florence B. Price

Cynthia Powell, organist

Special thanks to our congregational leaders: Carol White & Minister Derrick Jordan

Liturgical Resources for Today:

¹*Inspired by Psalm 138*

²*Psalm 138*

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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

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

For announcements of programs and events at The Riverside Church, please visit trcnyc.org/Events for more information and to download a copy.

JOIN OUR WEEKLY SERMON TALKBACK

Go deeper with the sermons from The Riverside Church every Sunday after worship for a sermon talkback as part of Virtual Coffee Hour. Visit trcnyc.org/VirtualCoffeeHour to join us online or go to 311 MLK to join us in person. If you are unable to join the live conversation you can listen to After the Amen, our weekly sermon talkback podcast, as Riverside clergy and congregants talk with Sunday's preacher about how their sermon resonates in our lives and in our world. Visit trcnyc.org/AfterTheAmen to listen now.

RIVERSIDE EMAIL LIST

Are you receiving our weekly emails? Check your junk folder and add communications@trcnyc.org to your "safe sender list" or visit trcnyc.org/email to sign up. We want to make sure that you know all the latest news and events at The Riverside Church!

DOWNLOAD THE RIVERSIDE APP

Take Riverside with you, wherever you go. Text TRCNYC to 833.833.4035 or visit trcnyc.org/app to download the app and stay connected to all the videos, podcasts, and events from The Riverside Church.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CARILLON RECITALS

Fall and Winter 2021 Sunday afternoon carillon recitals take place most weeks at 3:00 p.m. and can be best heard outdoors listening from Sakura Park, immediately north of The Riverside Church at 122nd Street. Visit trcnyc.org/CarillonRecitals for the complete schedule.

PARKING - 02/06/2022

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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