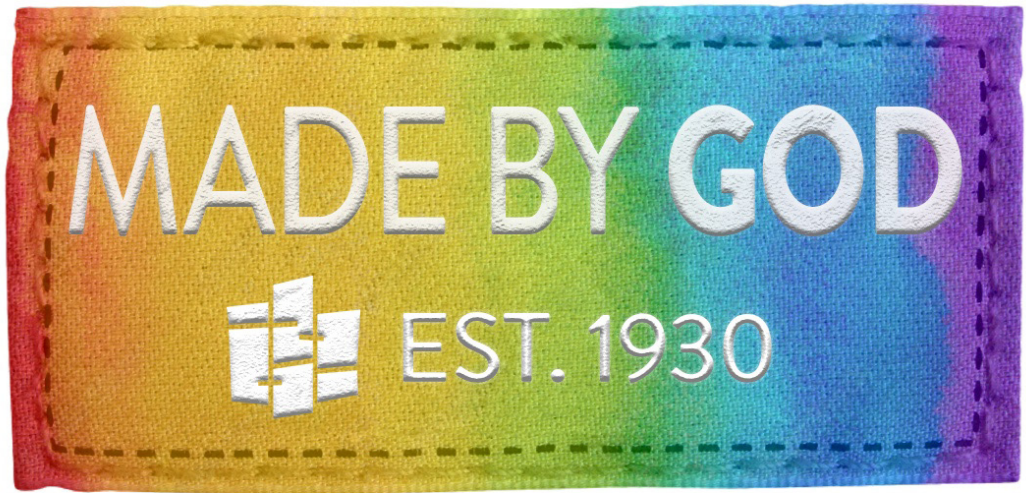


The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



JUNE 4, 2023
FIRST 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 your heart and mind for worship, consider this quote and question:

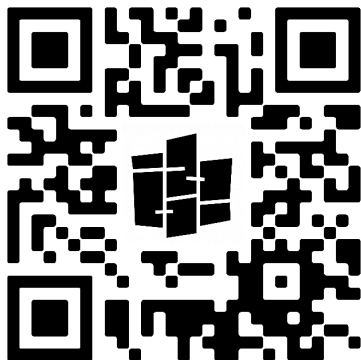
“How little people know who think holiness is dull. When one meets the real thing,
it is irresistible” -C. S. Lewis from *“Letters to An American Lady*

A question for reflection:

How do you bring a bit of God’s holy splendor to the world?

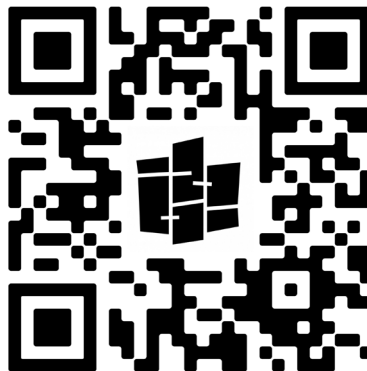
What’s happening at Riverside?

You can find a printed calendar listed in
the back of your bulletin!



Give by your phone

Text TRCNYCGIVE to 833.833.4035.



*Riverside worship services are filmed, recorded, and broadcast online.
If you do not want to appear in any videos or photos we invite you to sit in the balcony.*



GATHERING

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

CARILLON

Amazing Grace
Canticum refectionis
Holy, Holy, Holy

*John Newton, arr. Theophil Rusterholz
David McKinley Williams, arr. Sally Slade Warner
John B. Dykes, arr. Austin Ferguson*

Carla Staffaroni, Assistant Carillonneur

ORGAN

Fugue in E-flat (St. Anne), BWV 552

Johann Sebastian Bach

Alan Montgomery, organist

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Adriene Thorne

✚CALL TO WORSHIP

One: This is the day that the Lord has made.

All: We will be glad and rejoice in it.

One: This is the year that the Lord has begun.

All: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed,
for God's compassions never fail. They are new every morning.

All: Great is your faithfulness, O God. Come let us worship!

✚INVOCATION

✚*All who are able, please stand*

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 138
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Nicaea

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

I'm Gonna Sing 'Til the Spirit Moves In My Heart

Moses Hogan

I'm gonna sing 'til the spirit moves in my heart. I'm gonna sing 'til Jesus comes. It was grace that brought me. It was grace that taught me. It was grace that kept me. And it's grace that will lead me home. Can't you feel the spirit moving? I'm gonna shout 'til the spirit moves in my heart. I'm gonna shout 'til Jesus comes.

LISTENING

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Jean Schmidt

Luke 5:8-10

(pg. 62 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

†HYMN 316

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Trentham

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Stacey Robinson, Eva Cordero, Reggie Evans

Isaiah 6:1-8

(pg. 635 in the Old Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

†*All who are able, please stand*

SERMON

One Small Person

Rev. Adriene Thorne

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONDING

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

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Julian Wharton

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hallelujah Chorus from *Christ on the Mount of Olives*

Ludwig van Beethoven

Hallelujah! unto God's almighty son.
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs,
In holy songs of joy.
Earth, proclaim his grace and glory!
Hallelujah! unto God's almighty son.
Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.

†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

Today we celebrate the work of the Men's Class Ministry, which provides all members of the congregation with opportunities to grow in faith and service by addressing issues of social injustice that plague our community.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

†*All who are able, please stand*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Riverside Pastoral Staff

Following each petition, please join in the following responses:

One: God of love,

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, deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL AMEN

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Riverside Pastoral Staff

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Lift up your hearts.

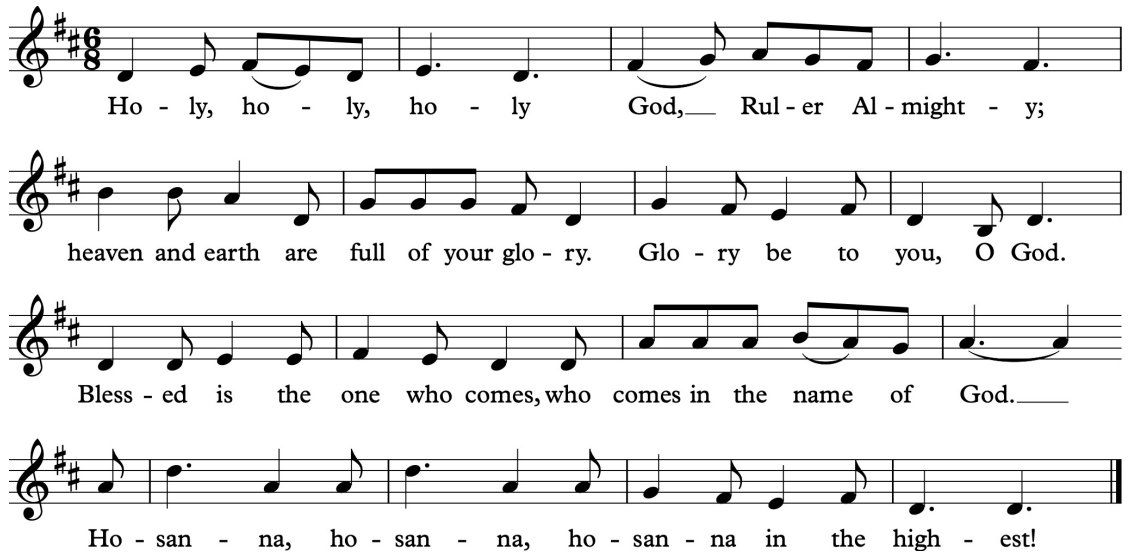
All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

† *All who are able, please stand*

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 ri - sen. Christ will come a - gain.

✚ *All who are able, please stand*

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 everyone worshiping online, visit trcnyc.org/communion to take communion together on Zoom.

SENDING

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

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

ORGAN

Meditation

Isadore Freed

CHOIR

Peace I Leave You

Amy Beach

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Peace I leave with you.

†PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Rev. Amanda Meisenheimer

†RECESSIONAL HYMN 229

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

†BENEDICTION

Rev. Thorne

POSTLUDE

March in D Major

Alexander Guilmant

Christopher Creaghan, organist

Special thanks to our congregational leaders Jean Schmidt and, Julian Wharton.

Special thanks to our communion stewards An Winslow, Rose Winslow, and Gray Winslow.

†*All who are able, please stand*

Music Note

Fugue in E-flat, BWV 552 - *Johann Sebastian Bach*

The triple fugue is a symbol of the Trinity. The same theme recurs in three connected fugues, but each time with another personality. The first fugue is calm and majestic, with an absolutely uniform movement throughout; in the second the theme seems to be disguised, and is only occasionally recognizable in its true shape, as if to suggest the divine assumption of an earthly form; in the third, it is transformed into rushing semiquavers as if the Pentecostal wind were coming roaring from heaven.

-Albert Schweitzer

TODAY AT RIVERSIDE

Sunday, June 4

Fresh Start | 8:30 AM | Online

Open Bible Study | 9:30 AM | 330 MLK

Beginner Biblical Hebrew I | 9:30 AM | 314 MLK & Online

Church Nursery Open | 10:30 AM

Sunday Morning Worship | 11:00 AM Prelude begins at 10:30 AM | Nave & Online

Spring Clothing Sale | 12:00 PM- 5:00 PM | Cloister Lounge

Virtual Coffee Hour | 12:30 PM | 318 MLK & Online

Coffee Hour | After Worship | Assembly Hall

Business and Professional Women's Group Monthly Meeting | 1:00 PM | 321 MLK

Theatre of the Oppressed | 1:00 PM | Multipurpose Room

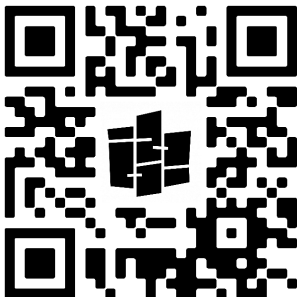
Intermediate Biblical Hebrew | 1:00 PM | 314 MLK & Online

Faith in Full Color: Faith Passage Confirmation | 1:00 PM | Youth Room

"Queering the Gospel" Workshop with Shannon T.L. Kearns and Brian Murphy | 1:00 PM
Assembly Hall

Stacey Robinson: "Music in the Air: The Story, The Journey" | 3:00 PM | Assembly Hall

Sunday Afternoon Carillon Recital | 3:00 PM



Visit trcnyc.org/LOC or scan the QR code to
find out more about all the programs and events
happening in the life of our community.

THIS WEEK AT RIVERSIDE

Monday, June 5

Morning Prayer | 8:00 AM | Online

Spring Clothing Sale | 10:00 AM | Cloister Lounge

Tai Chi Class | 3:00 PM | Cloister Lounge

Tuesday, June 6

Morning Prayer | 8:00 AM | Online

Spring Clothing Sale | 10:00 AM | Cloister Lounge

Wednesday, June 7

Morning Prayer | 8:00 AM | Online

Spring Clothing Sale | 10:00 AM | Cloister Lounge

Beginner Biblical Hebrew II | 5:00 PM | Online

Young Adult Bible Study | 6:30 PM | 313 MLK & Online

Grace Notes | 7:00 PM | Online

Thursday, June 8

Morning Prayer | 8:00 AM | Online

Spring Clothing Sale | 10:00 AM | Cloister Lounge

Tower League- End of Year Picnic | 12:00 PM | MLK 8th Floor Rooftop Terrace

Friday, June 9

Morning Prayer | 8:00 AM | Online

Saturday, June 10

Riverside Book Club | 11:00 AM | Online

COMING SOON

Sunday, June 11

Bible Sunday: Rites of Passage for our Children, Youth, and Graduates | 11:00 AM

Nave & Online | Minister Nordia Bennett Preaching

Friday, June 16- Sunday June 18

The Art of Being Human: Working With a Creative Spirit | Mariandale Retreat Center

Sunday, June 18

Juneteenth Lunch and Learn | 1:00 PM | Assembly Hall

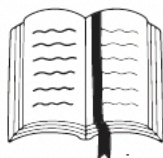
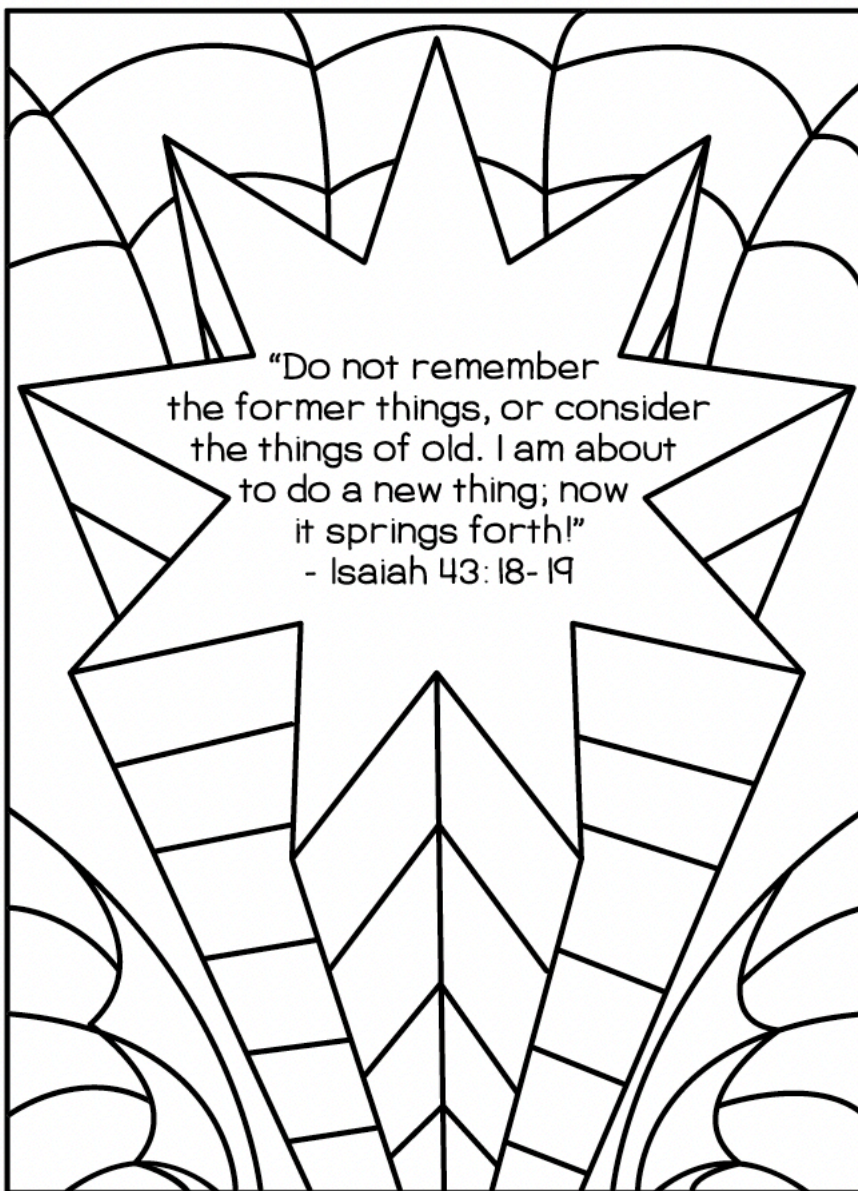
Sunday, June 25

Pride Sunday Worship | 11:00 AM | Nave & Online | Rev. Karmen Michael Smith Preaching

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16, Psalm 22:23-31,
Romans 4:13-25, Mark 8:31-38.





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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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for (I am) about to

CREATE

new Heavens

&
A NEW EARTH

the former THINGS

shall not be REMEMBERED

or COME to MIND

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. Adriene Thorne, Senior Minister
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RIVERSIDE EMAIL LIST

Get the latest news and events at The Riverside Church from our weekly emails. Sign up at trcnyc.org/email. If you're not receiving them, add communications@trcnyc.org to your "Safe Sender list."

MEMBERSHIP AT RIVERSIDE

Membership is about responding to God's call on your life to step up and belong to this community as you pursue the passion God has set in your heart. By joining The Riverside Church you are taking the next step to partner with us as we seek to cultivate a community of justice, peace, and love that transforms the world. Visit trcnyc.org/membership to find out more.

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

These recitals take place most weeks at 3:00 PM 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.

CHURCH NURSERY

Babies and toddlers are not too young to start learning about God's love for them. The nursery is open every Sunday from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM during worship staffed by trained nursery workers. For location please see an usher or security guard. The final Sunday of nursery care for this season will be June 11. The nursery will re-open for Homecoming, September 17.

SUMMER CHOIR AT RIVERSIDE

Do you sing? Read music? Love choral music? If so, we invite you to sing with members of the Riverside Choir this summer! Rehearsals are on Sunday morning and you can join us for however many Sundays you wish. To apply please email Associate Organist Alan Montgomery with a brief cell phone recording of you singing one verse of your favorite hymn (don't worry about a perfect performance), and a brief description of your musical experience, and he will get back to you. We look forward to hearing from you!

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING

Visit the Security Desk on the Claremont Level to pick up a \$5 parking coupon. Bring this coupon and your parking ticket to the attendant to receive this discounted rate.

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