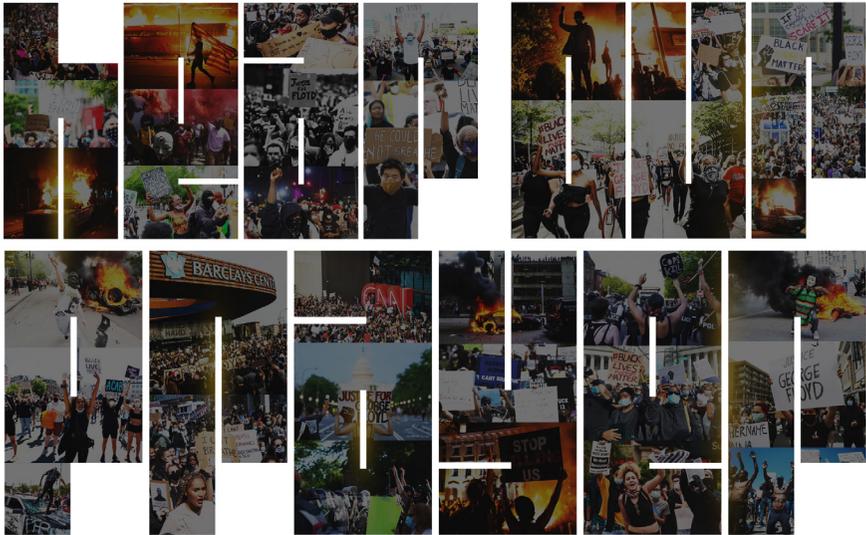


The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



JUNE 7, 2020
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TRINITY SUNDAY

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:

“We gather in the midst of horrific circumstances, an untamed virus in the world and the sin of racism in our nation, blood spilled again, “lynching” some have called these deaths. It hardly seems enough to say that grace abounds, that God’s love reigns, that Holy Spirit is comforter, advocate, among and with us all. Yet we must, in hope, say just that, with joy and hope and confidence and commitment, resilience and resolve—our work is not done and we are glad to do it. Love will triumph, justice will come, we shall know peace.”

–Rev. Michael Livingston

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. Today is Trinity Sunday and the liturgical color is white, which symbolizes the hope of the resurrection, as well as purity and completeness, as signified by the paraments and clergy stoles.

GATHERING

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

CARILLON

Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Betty Buchanan

Charles, Semowich, Carillonneur

ORGAN

All Glory Be To God on High (BWV 664)

J. S. Bach

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Gracious God, It is by Your grace that we can live, gather and love one another.

All: On this glorious day let us explore the new ways that Your grace continues to place Your love into our lives.

One: Loving Jesus, enter into our hearts as you enter into our homes so that we shall commune together in concert.

All: Let us share the love of Christ generously with one another.

One: Freeing Spirit, breathe deeply into our souls inspiring a burning compassion for the value of all life.

All: Gracious God, Loving Jesus, Freeing Spirit, spread your grace and unconditional love in this time of worship.

OPENING HYMN 138

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Nicaea

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,

Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,

Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee

Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,

Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,

Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee

Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

INVOCATION

Amanda Meisenheimer

LISTENING

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Bruce Lamb

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

PSALTER LESSON

India Mclean

Psalm 8

(page 492 in the Old Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

Minister Derrick Jordan

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

(page 186 in the New Testament)

Matthew 28:16-20

(page 34 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

SOLO

If I Can Help Somebody

Alma Bazel Androzzo

Russell Saint John, bass-baritone

SERMON

Rev. Livingston

Coronavirus, meet Racism

RESPONDING

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

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Amanda Meisenheimer

OFFERTORY SOLO

How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings

Samuel Liddle

How lovely are thy dwellings, O Lord of Hosts! My soul longeth, yea, fainteth, for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. Yea the sparrow hath found her a house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God. O Lord God of Hosts, hear my prayer. I would rather be a door keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness for a day in thy courts is better than a thousand.

Natalie Bergeron, Soprano

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

Amanda Meisenheimer

Today we celebrate the work of our Children and Families Ministries, which provide a worshipful space for children and families to engage the stories of our faith through the lens of love and justice.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Livingston

Following our petition, please join in the following response

One: To You, our provider, protector and advocator

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. Lamb

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.



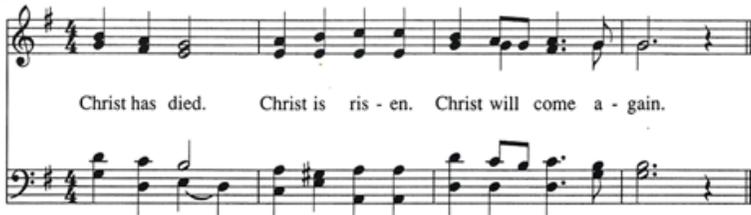
Bless-ed is the one who comes, who comes in the name of God.---



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 387

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Abbot's Leigh

Lord, you give the great commission:
"Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission,
And the gospel go unheard,
With renewed integrity;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us
For the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service:
"In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise,
Life abundant meant for each,
Give us all new fervor, draw us
Closer in community;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us
For the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring:
"I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity:
With the Spirit's gifts empower us
For the work of ministry.

SENDING

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

BENEDICTION

Rev. Livingston

POSTLUDE

Final, from Symphonie No. 1

Louis Vierne

Special thanks to our congregational leader: India Mclean

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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Are you receiving our weekly emails? Check your junk folder, add us to your “safe sender list,” or visit [**trcnyc.org/Email**](http://trcnyc.org/Email) to sign up. We want to make sure that you know all the latest news and events at The Riverside Church!

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

For announcements of programs and events at The Riverside Church, please visit [**trcnyc.org/Events**](http://trcnyc.org/Events) for more information and to download a copy.

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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