

# The Riverside Church

in the City of New York

LAMEN  
to Alleluia



APRIL 3, 2022  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

# WELCOME TO THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH

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Interdenominational · Interracial · International · Open · Affirming · Welcoming

WORSHIP is at the center of the life of The Riverside Church.

Throughout the season of lent we will be reflecting on the final words of Jesus as he suffered on the cross. As you prepare your heart for worship, consider John 19:28.

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), 'I am thirsty.'

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## 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 Lent, a period of forty days leading to Easter marked by repentance and reflection on everything in our lives that separates us from God. The liturgical color of Lent is purple as signified by the paraments, wall hanging, and clergy stoles (excepting communion Sundays when clergy wear white stoles).

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### 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

“Old Style Variations on ‘Kingsford’ (Hymn 434)

Bread of Angels

Aus der Tiefe rufe Ich

*Geert D’Hollander*

*Peter Benoit, arr. Ludo Geloën*

*arr. Don Cook*

*Charles Semowich, carillonneur*

### ORGAN

Chorale Prelude on ‘Approach, My Soul, Thy Mercy Seat’ (Abridge)

Adagio in D Minor

*Ashley Grote*

*Tomaso Albinoni*

*Christopher Creaghan, organist*

### LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

### †PROCESSIONAL HYMN 85

**What Wondrous Love Is This**

*Wondrous Love*

### †CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

Rev. Geraldine Howard

One: Family of God, we gather as who we are, and we bring what we have.

**All: Together let us remember the marvelous works of our God.**

One: Our God split rocks open in the wilderness, quenching our thirst with the deep springs.

**All: God made streams come out of the rock; like downward rivers the waters flow.**

One: In this space, we meet the Creator of new pathways and changed circumstances

**All: Let us encourage the new design God has for us. Let us worship!**

### †INVOCATION

†*All who are able, please stand*

## LISTENING

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

### ANTHEM

*A City Called Heaven Spiritual, arr. Leonard de Paur*

I am a poor pilgrim of sorrow, I'm tossed in this wide world alone. No hope have I for tomorrow, I've started to make heaven my home. Sometimes I am tossed and driven. Lord, sometimes I don't know where to roam. I heard of a city called heaven, I've started to make it my home. My mother has reached that pure glory, my father still walkin' in sin. My brothers and sisters won't own me, because I am tryin' to get in.

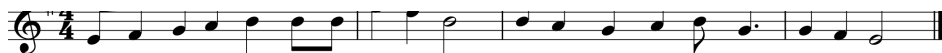
### A MOMENT FOR LENT

Julian Wharton

*During this liturgical season, lay leaders of Riverside will offer prayers of lament, framed by verses from the book of Lamentations, chapter 3.*

### RESPONSIVE PSALM 69<sup>2</sup>

Jeremy Bankson



An-swer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; in your great com-pas-sion, turn to me.

*Jessica Marsten, cantor*

### HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Nora Cloud

Isaiah 43:16-21

(page 672 in the Old Testament)

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### † HYMN 310

*St. Agnes*

**Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee**

### GOSPEL LESSON

Mark Yim

John 19:28-29

(page 62 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

† *All who are able, please stand*

**SERMON**

Water, is taught by thirst

Dr. Randal Jelks

**SERMONIC SELECTION**

Steal Away

*Spiritual, arr. Harry Thacker Burleigh*

*David Jackson, tenor*

**INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE**

Geoff Martin

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

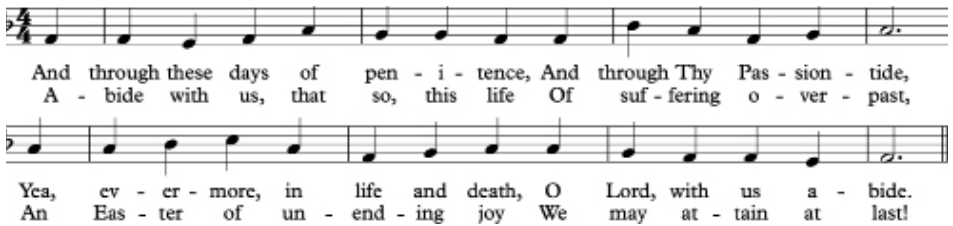
*arr. Gilbert Martin*

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood. See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.

*Nancy Wertsch, conductor*

**AT THE PRESENTATION: Through These Days of Penitence**

*The congregation rises row by row as ushers pass to symbolize the offering of our whole selves to God.*



And through these days of pen - i - tence, And through Thy Pas - sion - tide,  
A - bide with us, that so, this life Of suf - fering o - ver - past,  
Yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.  
An Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!

**†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION**

Rev. Howard

*Today we celebrate the ministry of our Church School teachers, who provide our children with wisdom and inspiration for their faith journeys, and demonstrate to all of us how to serve our youngest siblings in Christ.*

†All who are able, please stand

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Livingston, Rev. Howard

*Following our petition, please join in the following response:*

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.**

## CHORAL AMEN

## †PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Riverside Pastoral Staff

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

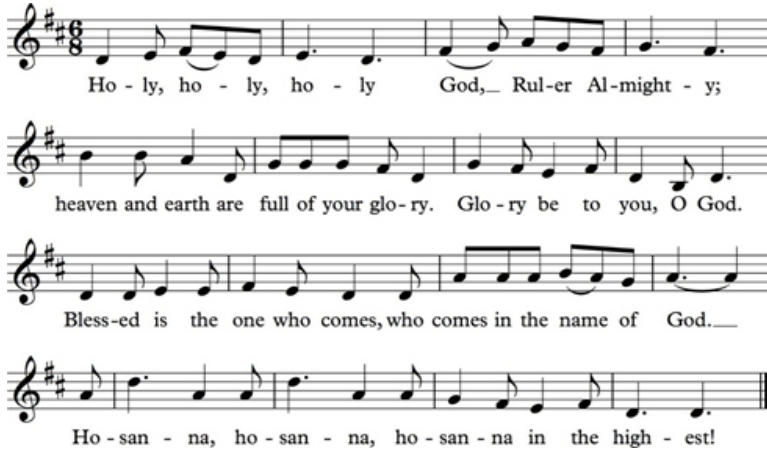
One: Lift up your hearts.

**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.**

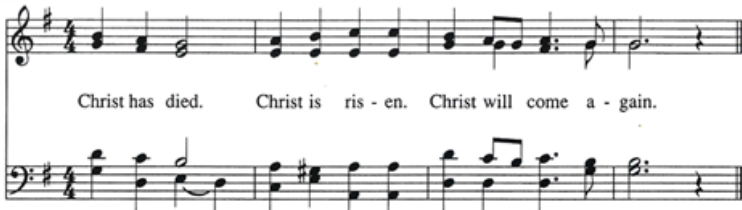
## SANCTUS



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!**

## MUSIC AT COMMUNION

### ORGAN

Herzliebster Jesu

*arr. Robert Hebble*

### CHOIR

We Shall Walk Through the Valley

*Spiritual, arr. Undine Smith Moore*

We shall walk through the valley in peace, if Jesus, himself shall be our leader, we shall walk through the valley in peace. There will be no trials there, if Jesus, himself shall be our leader, we shall walk through the valley in peace.

### PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Rev. Livingston

### ✠ RECESSIONAL HYMN

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

*Detroit*

### BENEDICTION

Please be seated.

Rev. Livingston

### POSTLUDE

Fugue in G Minor (BWV 542)

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

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*Special thanks to our congregational leaders: Mark Yim, Nora Cloud, Julian Wharton & Geoff Martin*

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### Liturgical Resources for Today:

<sup>1</sup>*Inspired by Psalm 78*

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✠ *All who are able, please stand*



Randal Maurice Jelks is a clergy in the Presbyterian Church USA and a Professor of African and African American Studies and American Studies. He is the co-editor of the academic journal *American Studies* (AMSJ). He is also an award winning author, as well as a documentary film producer. His books are *African Americans in the Furniture City: The Struggle for Civil Rights Struggle in Grand Rapids*, *Benjamin Elijah Mays, Schoolmaster of the Movement: A Biography*, *Faith and Struggle in the Lives of Four African Americans: Ethel Waters, Mary Lou Williams, Eldridge Cleaver and Muhammad Ali* and *Letters to Martin: Meditations on Democracy in Black America*. Jelks has recently contributed to a collection of essays titled *42 Today: Jack Robinson and His Legacy* edited by Michael Long. His writings have appeared in the *Boston Review*, the *Los Angeles Review of Books* as well as national blogs, journals, magazine and newspapers.





## **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](http://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](http://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](http://trcnyc.org/AfterTheAmen) to listen now.

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## **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](http://trcnyc.org/CarillonRecitals) for the complete schedule.

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### **PARKING - 04/03/2022**

**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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