

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



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JUNE 12, 2022
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 prayer:

Eternal God, who has spoken through the prophets Miriam, Deborah, and Mary: Give us courage to hear your prophets of today, that through their witness we may be inspired and strengthened to work in your name. Amen

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 Ordinary Time or Time after Pentecost, a season in which we explore the mission of the church and use the color of green, symbolizing growth.

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

All Creatures of Our God and King
Holy, Holy, Holy!
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
O Holy, Blessed Trinity

*William Henry Draper
John Dykes
Ignaz Franz
Nikolaus Herman*

Anne Lu, guest carillonneur

ORGAN

Partita on "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

1. Prelude 2. Chorale 3. Adagio 4. Interlude 5. Trio 6. Toccata

Charles Callahan

Christopher Creaghan, organist

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 138

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Nicaea

†*All who are able, please stand*

†CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Santiago Soto

One: God of justice, whose ear is always open to the cries of the oppressed we come to you again

All: We won't be silent anymore

One: We've gathered together to lift the concerns of our siblings; black and white, indigenous and immigrant, young and old, gay and straight, from the north and the south, east and west, but all living beneath the violence of poverty

All: We won't be silent anymore

One: For the 140 million poor and low-income people in this country

All: We won't be silent anymore

One: For the 74 million women who suffer from economic hardship every day

All: We won't be silent anymore

One: For the 39 million children and youth living without reliable access to housing and meals

All: We won't be silent anymore

One: For the 2 million Native and Indigenous people impoverished in a land that was stripped from their hands

All: We won't be silent anymore

One: In the tradition of your many prophets, we cry shame for our country's refusal to address the interlocking injustices and evils of systemic racism, poverty, ecological devastation, the denial of health care, militarism, the war economy, and the distorted moral narrative of religious nationalism

All: We cry shame

One: Because our politics are trapped by the lies of scarcity. They have turned us against each other and blame the poor for their poverty, even though we live in a time of abundance

All: We cry shame

One: Because the climate crisis is devastating our communities and our planet, with poor and low-wealth people hit first and worst by raging fires, floods, drought, and pollution.

All: We cry shame

One: Because we are living through an historic crisis of democracy and voting rights are under attack in nearly every state!

All: We cry shame

One: On June 18th, we call for a national meeting, a national gathering, a moral revival. We will build a massive stage for the dispossessed of America to speak and force the nation to hear the truth. From this stage, we will not simply curse the darkness, but demonstrate our compelling power to right the wrongs of society. All: We need a moral revival

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One: Because the very possibility of our country is at stake

All: We need a moral revival

One: Because the future of our children and youth are at stake

All: We need a moral revival

One: Because we already have everything but the moral courage to feed every mouth and clothe every person

All: We need a moral revival

One: God of justice, peace and revival, meet us here then in worship to strengthen us do your will in the world

All: We need a moral revival

✚ INVOCATION

Rev. Livingston

SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION & HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES CELEBRATION

Dr. Emily Anderson & Min. Richard X III

Temitope Aboyade-Cole-----Carl Fields Award

Nyla Gordon-----Carl Fields Award

Jessye Salmon----- Carl Fields Award

Santiago Soto-----Carl Fields Award

Naomi Walker-----Daniels Lorick Award

Latoya Wilkinson-----Carl Fields Award

SOLO

If With All Your Hearts

Felix Mendelssohn

Matthew Krenz, tenor

LISTENING

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

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Cuba McLean

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

(pg. 590 *in the Old Testament*)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

¹ Moral March on Washington liturgy, crafted by Riverside Clergy & Youth
Adapted from the declaration: Why We Must Have the Mass Poor People's & Low-Wage Workers' Assembly and Moral March on Washington and to the Polls

✚ *All who are able, please stand*

†HYMN 316

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Trentham

GOSPEL LESSON

John 16:12-15

(pg. 110 *in the New Testament*)

India McLean

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Latoya Wilkinson

RESPONDING

We respond to the hearing of God's word through prayer,

DANCE

Isabella Soto,
Lana Waterman, Lena Waterman

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Bruce Lamb

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

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.

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†PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

BIBLE PRESENTATION

Rev. Amanda Meisenheimer, Alexa Donaphin, Pat Ali

We rejoice in this step in your journey with God.

We pray God will guide you, your family and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your Church School classes and in our worship. May we learn and grow together in our faith as we read God's Word.

Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Daina Cernauskas

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia! Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered God's people, Alleluia! O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of God's name, make God's praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

†AT THE PRESENTATION: 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

Rev. Meisenheimer

Today we celebrate the ministry of our Scholarship Committee, which offers scholarships to accredited colleges, universities and vocational programs for youth involved in the ministry programs of the church. Every year The Millennial Scholarship Program awards thousands of dollars in

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SENDING

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

† RECESSIONAL HYMN

God Our Author and Creator²

Beach Spring



1. God our Au - thor and Cre - a - tor, in whose life we find our own,
2. Like those first a - post-les, Sa - vior, give us strength to love and serve:
3. Keep us faith - ful, Ho - ly Spi - rit, help us bear the mes-sage true,



make our dai - ly wit - ness great - er, by our lives make your love known.
when our faint - ing spi - rits wa - ver, fire our hearts and steel our nerve.
that at last all lands may hear it: "God is love; Christ died for you."



Help us show how love em - bra - ces those whom fear and greed down trod;
Teach us wis - dom and com - pas - sion: bid our rest - less thoughts be still;
Join our lives in might-y cho - rus till we come from e - very place,



in all year - ing hearts and fa - ces, let us see a child of God.
by your guid - ance help us fash - ion lives con-formed un - to your will.
with all those who went be - fore us, to the full - ness of God's grace.

† BENEDICTION

Rev. Livingston

POSTLUDE

War March of the Priests

Felix Mendelssohn

Christopher Creaghan, organist

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Special thanks to our congregational leaders Daina Cernauskus, Dr. Emily Anderson, Ms. Alexa Donaphin, Ms. Patricia Ali, and the Scholarship Committee.

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Latoya Wilkinson is a Riverside Youth member and graduating senior at Capital Preparatory Harlem Charter School. Upon graduation, she will be attending University at Albany in their honors program.

***Congrats to Riverside High School Graduates
Class of 2022!***

Nyla Crocker
Amenenah Horne
Jania Jones
Kanyon Lewis
Micah McVoy
Lewis Rojas
Jessye Salmon
Santiago Soto
LaToya Wilkinson

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 VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR 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 9T 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

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.

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 at amontgomery@trcnyc.org 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!

PARKING - 06/12/2022

Parking is available in the garage below the building. Present this bulletin to the attendant before 11:00 p.m. for a reduced rate of \$5.00.

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