

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



AUGUST 28, 2022
TWELFTH 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 these quotes:

“No one has ever become poor by giving.” - *Anne Frank*

A question to reflect on:

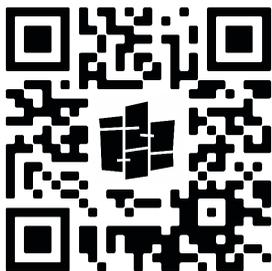
Who is invited to be a guest at your table?

THE LITURGICAL YEAR

In order for our faith community to flourish in upcoming seasons of change, we have to be ready. With the installation of a new senior minister, we will face opportunities and challenges that could bring out the best in us, if we are prepared. We must discipline ourselves to grow up in maturity, grow out in compassion, and grow down with deep roots. This summer we will study the Gospel of Luke, searching for ways to enrich our soul soil, so that we might not merely survive, but thrive “like a tree planted by streams of water.” Each week we will ask ourselves, “Are we ready?”

Whats happening at Riverside?

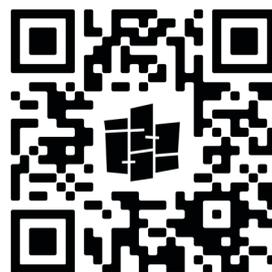
Learn about the events and activities of the Life of Our Community by opening your camera and scanning the code below.



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

Sonatas I and II

Flor Peeters

Charles Semowich, carillonneur

ORGAN

Three Liturgical Pieces

I. Praise to the Living God

II. Pastorale

III. The Lord of All

Isadore Freed

Alan Montgomery, organist

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Bruce Lamb

✠CALL TO WORSHIP¹

**Welcome to the banquet of hope, the open bar of prayer,
the “anonymous” circle of acceptance. Where everyone is invited.**

**Welcome to a fiesta of joy, a mercy meal of tenderness,
where every seat is a place of honor.**

**Welcome to a party for God’s love-reveal, where all seating is a circle,
and we proudly sing our own stories.**

**We come because God calls us by our names.
Let us respond to God’s call by worshipping together in love.
Let us worship.**

✠*All who are able, please stand*

† INVOCATION

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise To the Lord, the Almighty²

Lobe Den Herren



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, who rules all cre -
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth nour - ish thy life and re -
4. Praise to the Lord! O let all of God's peo - ple and



a - tion. O my soul, wor - ship the well - spring of
rein - eth, who, as on wings of an ea - gle up -
store thee, fit - ting thee well for the tasks that are
ra - ces, all that hath life and breath, give thanks for



health and sal - va - tion. All ye who hear, now to God's
lift - ed, sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen? All that is
e - ver be - fore thee. Then to thy need God as a
man - i - fold gra - ces. Let the A - men sound from God's



tem - ple draw near. Join me in glad a - do - ra - tion.
need - ful hath been grant - ed in what God or - dain - eth?
mo - ther doth speed, spread - ing the wings of grace o'er thee.
peo - ple a - gain. Glad - ly for e - ver sing prais - es.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Charlene Wingate

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SOLO

If I...

Lori Laitman

Erik Rasmussen, tenor

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LISTENING

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

EPISTLE LESSON

Rev. Lamb

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

(pg. 227 in the New Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

†HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

GOSPEL LESSON

Abosedo George

Luke 14:1, 7-14

(pg. 77 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Reserved Seating

Rev. Wingate

RESPONDING

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Lamb

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

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

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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.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Rev. Amanda Meisenheimer

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name

arr. Brazeal W. Dennard

Hush, Hush, somebody's callin' my name. Oh, my Lord, oh, my Lord, what shall I do? I'm so glad that trouble don't last always. I'm so glad I got my religion in time. Soon one mornin' death come creepin' in my room.

†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.

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†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

Rev. Lamb

Today we celebrate the work of the Stephen Ministry, which equips and empowers lay members to provide Christ-centered care to people in need of encouragement and support.

SENDING

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

†RECESSIONAL HYMN 483

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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†BENEDICTION

Rev. Wingate

POSTLUDE

Paeon

Kenneth Leighton

Alan Montgomery, organist

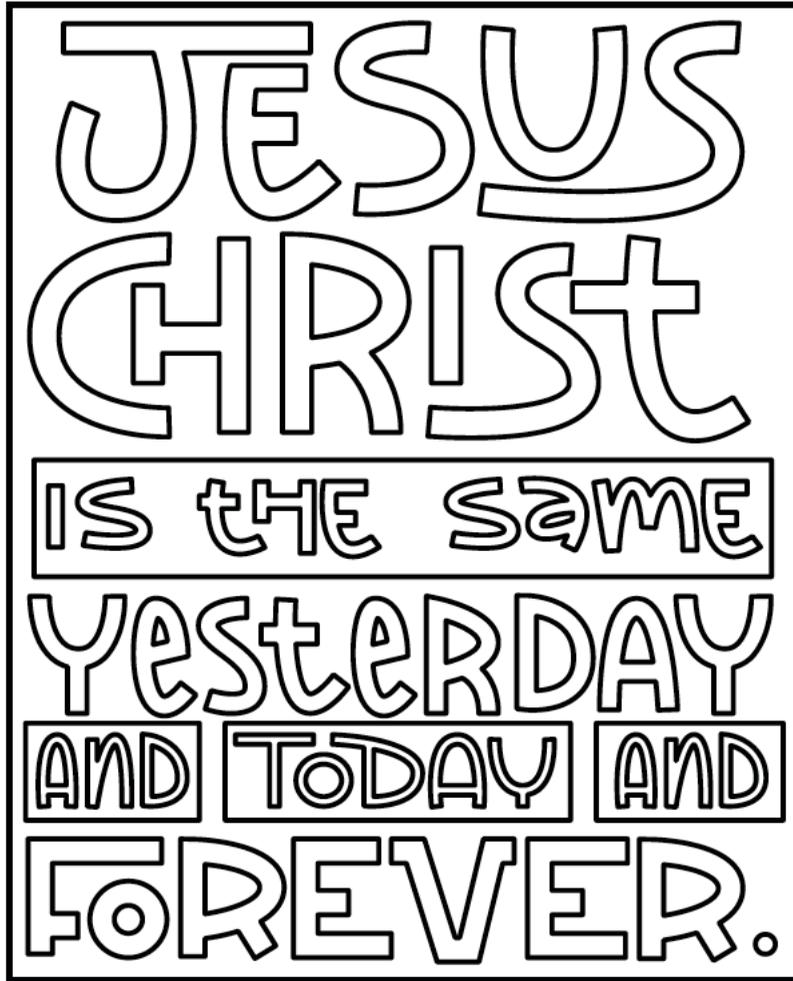
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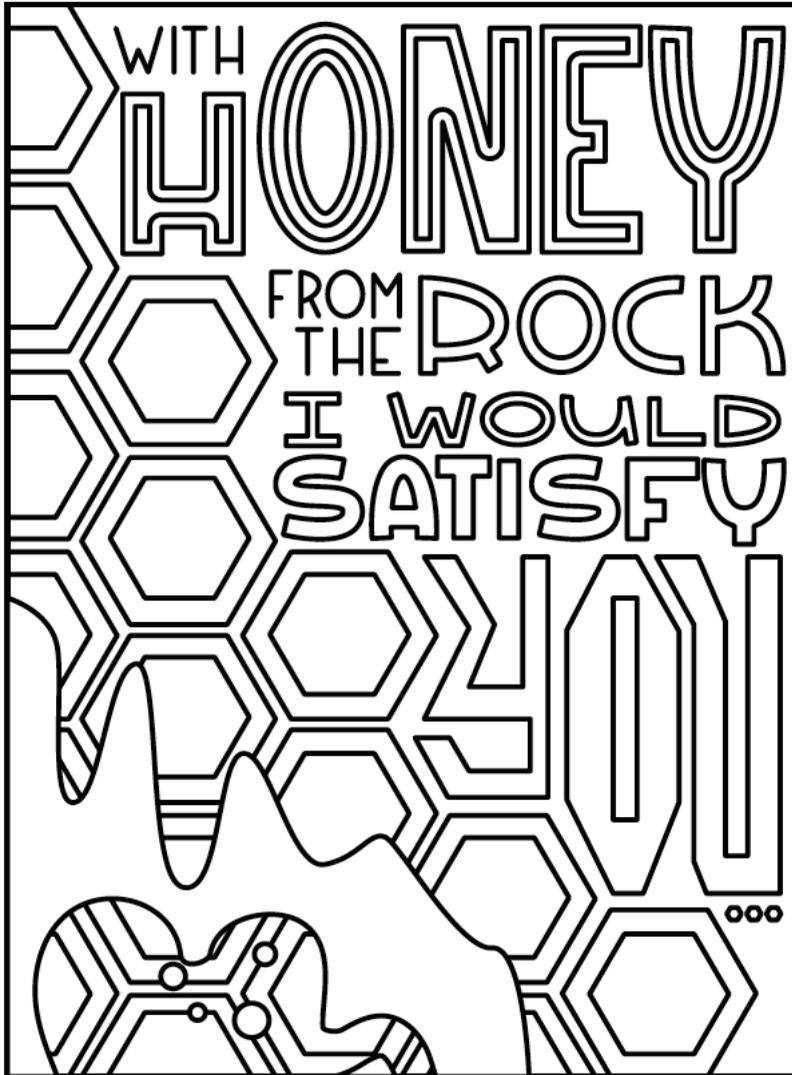
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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Jeremiah 2:4-13, Psalm 81:1, 10-16,
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14.



WORD SEARCH

Try to find the words from Hebrews 13 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

T N B F E E X M T H L O V E S
E O E H O S P I T A L I T Y T
E L C V R F U B P P Y I G D R
L E N B K R E R A H S T R K A
V A E H F O Z T N E T N O C N
T D D J A N G E L J O F J F G
X E I P S G K R E Y A G Z T E
Q R F G S P E G E I Q Z I E R
Y R N E O B A N T N N L R Y E
G T O G M I O H R I O F X Q P
T E C E R M R F X Y N S K Z L
U R M R Q D G R M K X J I P E
Y E A P R A I S E W T X V R H
R M K F L Y I B E J B R F S P
G W A E R Y C H R I S T K O M

LOVE	MARRIAGE	LEADER
HOSPITALITY	FREE	CHRIST
STRANGER	MONEY	PRAISE
ANGEL	CONTENT	FRUIT
REMEMBER	CONFIDENCE	FAITH
PRISON	HELPER	SHARE

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.

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 - 08/28/2022

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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