

The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



NOVEMBER 13, 2022
TWENTY-THIRD 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:

“Christianity should sound like, “I am committed to deepening my love for others and seeking their best,” not “I am obsessed with how others are not conforming to my own personal beliefs and I must make them do so by any means necessary.”

-Rev. Benjamin Cremer

A question for reflection:

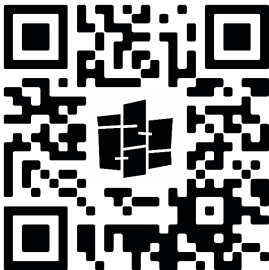
In your opinion, what is one way that the church should “do justice” in our world today?

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, also known as Ordinary Time. It is signified by the green paraments and clergy stoles that represent new life and growth. Ordinary Time is observed from Pentecost until the beginning of Advent.

Whats happening at Riverside?

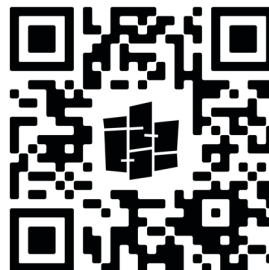
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GATHERING

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

CARILLON

Mit Freuden Zart (Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above)
Hymn Preludes for the Kirk

Lynnli Wang, assistant carillonneur

*arr. Lynnli Wang
Geert D'hollander*

ORGAN

Adoration
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Alan Montgomery, organist

*Richard Purvis
Robert Hebble*

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Adriene Thorne

†CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

All: We shall walk blamelessly, speaking truth from our hearts.

One: With a new vision of God's love, we seek new ways we can do justice.

All: Through loving kindness we will create merciful acts of our faith.

One: O God of life, love, and divine power gather us together in your light.

All: Let us walk humbly in your presence as we worship your holy name.

†INVOCATION

†*All who are able, please stand*

† **OPENING HYMN 483**

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Mit Freuden Zart

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

Rev. Charlene Wingate

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

Lord, Make Me An Instrument

M. Roger Holland, II

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it's in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned and it's in dying that we are born to eternal life.

*Riverside Inspirational Choir
Nedra Olds-Neal, director
Jeanne Golan, piano*

BAPTISM BY IMMERSION

Rev. Thorne

L Julian Wharton
Michael Barnes

PRAYER FOR THE CANDIDATES

† *All who are able, please stand*

LISTENING

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. Amanda Meisenheimer

Matthew 9:13

(pg. 9 in the New Testament)

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

†HYMN 391

Take My Life

Hendon

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jacq Gregg

Micah [1:3-5]; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8

(pg. 861 in the Old Testament)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

That's What it's All About

Rev. Keat

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONDING

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Meisenheimer

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.

†*All who are able, please stand*

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

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Meisenheimer

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Riverside Food Pantry

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Praise God In God's Holiness

Wilfred J. Emery

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in Her holiness: Praise God in the firmament of Her power. Praise God in His noble acts: Praise God according to His excellent greatness. Praise God in the sound of the trumpet: Praise God on the lute and harp. Praise God in the cymbals and dances: Praise God on the strings and pipe. Praise God on the well tuned cymbals: Praise God on the loud cymbals. Let everything that hath breath: Praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

†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. Wingate

Today we celebrate the work of our Membership Ministry, which is dedicated to accompanying our church members and prospective members on their spiritual journeys.

†*All who are able, please stand*

SENDING

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

†**CLOSING HYMN 354**

Guide My Feet

Guide My Feet

†**BENEDICTION**

Rev. Keat

POSTLUDE

Grand Choeur in D Major

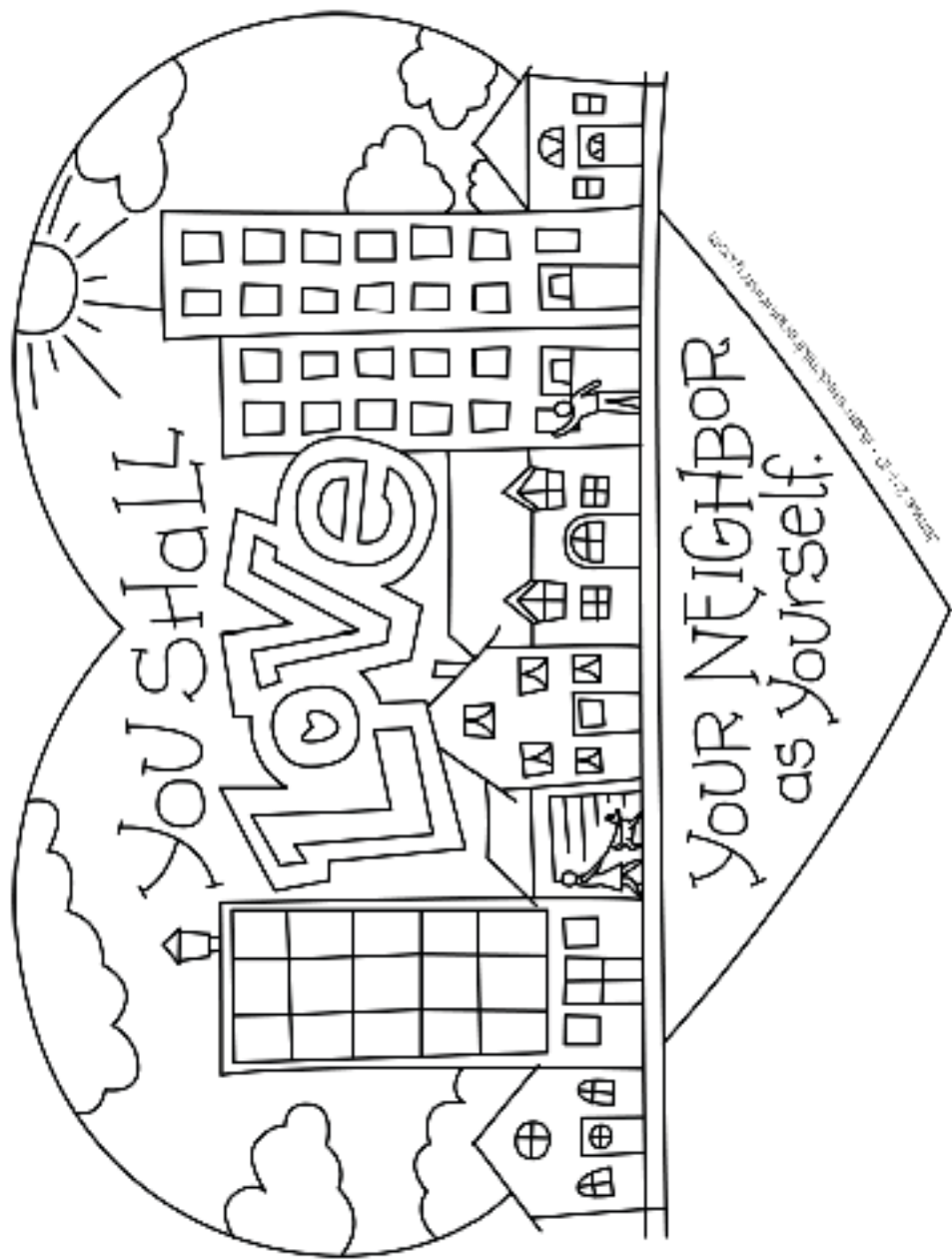
Alexandre Guilmant

Christopher Creaghan, organist

Special thanks to our congregational leader Jacq Gregg

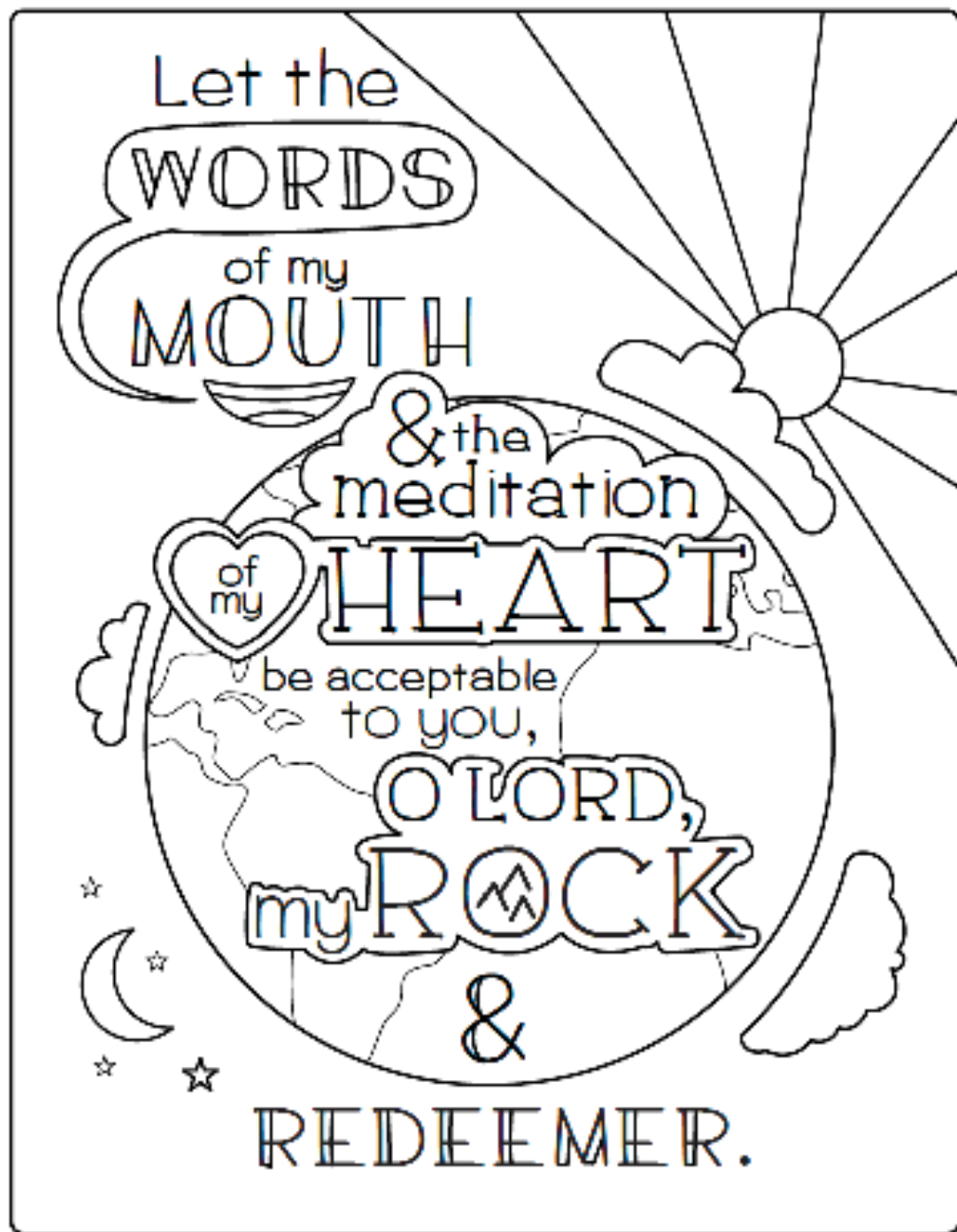
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ABOUT RIVERSIDE

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
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

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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.

CHURCH NURSERY OPEN

Babies and toddlers are not too young to start learning about God's love for them. The nursery is open every Sunday from 10:30-12:30 during worship staffed by trained nursery workers. For location please see an usher or security guard.

PARKING - 11/13/2022

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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