

# Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

30<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time October 28, 2018 • 9 & 11:15am



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# Welcome to Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member . . .

Whether you are new to or uncertain about this whole idea of church . . .

Whether you grew up Presbyterian or Baptist or Jewish or agnostic . . .

Whether you came with a friend or just wandered in accidentally . . .

Whether you are in search of comfort or wanting to be challenged . . .

Whatever reason brought you to worship today, you are welcome here and you have made us better by being present with us. In the midst of a big and busy city, we are a church that takes seriously Jesus' instructions to love God, love one another, and love our neighbors. Our worship style is traditional and true to our Reformed heritage. At the same time, we seek to bring our faith into conversation with the world around us and the events of our lives.

After worship, we gather in our Church House for fellowship, coffee, and cookies. Please join us. We think you'll find us to be a friendly and approachable group of people trying our best to live like Jesus teaches. But if you're looking for a perfect church, we're not it. We don't always get it right. Rather, we're a group of imperfect people who understand how much we all need grace in our lives. And we believe that God's love, which never gives up and never lets go, is for everyone. Including you.

There is a place for you here. We're delighted you've joined us today.

Rev. Jenny McDevitt Senior Pastor

# Children Are Always Welcome

Your children are always welcome here at MAPC, and they are welcome to stay with you in worship. Little ones can't help but make a bit of noise from time to time. If it is your preference, however, children three and under may be taken to the Nursery on the 4th floor. The Narthex and the Children's Library are also available. Speakers provide audio of the service.

# Membership and More Information

For those interested in exploring the possibility of membership or learning more about who we are and what we do, we periodically host a "Tell Me More About MAPC" conversation. The next gathering will be held Dec. 8, 2018, at 9 am in the Phillips Lounge. RSVPs are helpful to Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com.

# Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

O Christ my Savior, save me, whether I will or no.

—Morning Prayer of the Orthodox Church

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott

Johann Nicolaus Hanff (1665-1712)

Call to Worship

Chesna E. Hinkley

Great are you, O Lord, and greatly to be praised!

Great is your power, and of your wisdom there is no end.

Unchangeable, yet changing all things,

Never new, never old, making all things new.

Though we are only a small part of your creation, you move us to delight in praising you,

For you have made us for yourself,

and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.

—adapted from Augustine's *Confessions*, Book I, Chapters I and IV

\*Hymn 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein' feste Burg

\* Please stand in body or in spirit. For hymns, stand when the choir stands.

Prayer of Confession

Christina A. Cosby

Most holy and merciful Savior,

We all, like sheep, have gone astray.

We follow after gods we create out of money, family, ambition, and our own righteousness.

Our hearts are slow to worship and quick to anger, and we fail to obey your commands.

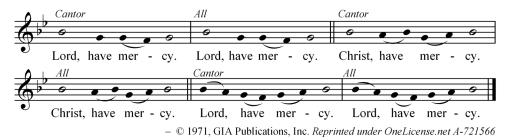
We confess that we have not followed your will and that in our sin, we cannot.

We bring our sins to you,

those for which we are sorry and those for which we want to be sorry.

Forgive us, Lord, in your great mercy,

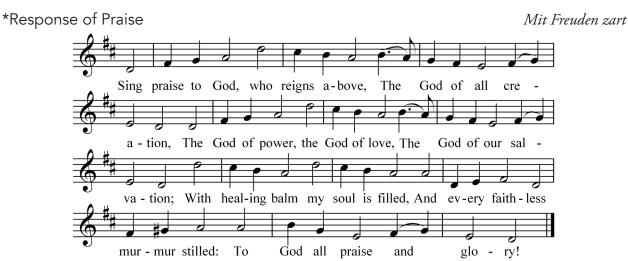
for it is by your wounds we are healed. (Silent Prayer)



#### Assurance of God's Grace

... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

# In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!



Text: Johann Jacob Schütz, 1675; trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox, 1864 Music: Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesang* (1566)

\*Summary of God's Law

\*Passing the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Our Life Together

Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

Word in Action

Elder Nickie Christin Stewardship

	– Proclaiming God's Word –	
Prayer for Illumination		Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
Old Testament Lesson		Job 38:1-11 (OT page 458)
*Psalm 104 (Hymn 224)		Rustington
Lesson with the Children an	d Youth	
Youth Worship: 4th throug	pool through 3rd grades are dismissed to t gh 8th grades are dismissed to the Dana he Doxology to participate in the rest of t	Chapel.
Epistle Lesson		Hebrews 5:1-10 (NT page 207)
Gospel Lesson		Mark 10:35-45 (NT page 44)
Sermon	James and John: No Cheap Pity	Chesna E. Hinkley
	Responding to God's Word -	
*Hymn 388 (11:15 am)	O Jesus, I Have Promised	Angel's Story
*Affirmation of Faith		The Nicene Creed
maker of heaver of all that is, see We believe in one Lord, eternally begotte God from God, begotten, not m	n and unseen. Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,	ie God,

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated on the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# Prayers of the People

...Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

# Presenting Our Offerings to God

Offertory Anthem (11:15 am)

Pilgrim's Hymn (from *The Three Hermits*, 1997) Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)

Even before we call on your name

To ask you, O God,

When we seek for the words to glorify you,

You hear our prayer;

Unceasing love, O unceasing love,

Surpassing all we know.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

And to the Holy Spirit.

Even with darkness sealing us in,

We breathe your name,

And through all the days that follow so fast,

We trust in you;

Endless your grace, O endless your grace,

Beyond all mortal dream.

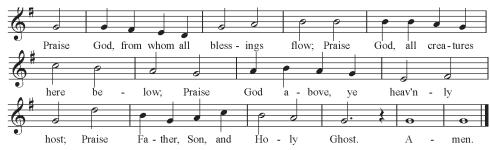
Both now and forever,

And unto ages and ages, Amen.

-Michael Dennis Brown (b. 1946)

# \*Doxology

Old Hundredth



# Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

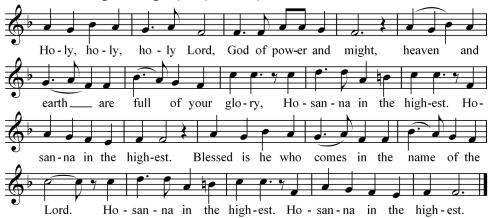
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Proulx

... who forever sing to the glory of your holy name:



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#### Acclamation

... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

# The Lord's Prayer

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; and 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.

#### Words of Institution

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Let us keep the feast.

# Sharing the Bread and Cup

Anthem (11:15 am)

Open Thou Mine Eyes (1980)

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see:
 Incline my heart and I shall desire:
 Order my steps and I shall walk
 In the ways of thy commandments.
 O Lord God, be thou to me a God
 And beside thee let there be none else,
 No other, nought else with thee.

Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve thee
 According to thy commandments,
 In truth of spirit,
 In rev'rence of body,
 In blessing of lips,
 In private and in public.

— Lancelot Andrewes (1555-1626)

Katherine Wessinger, soprano

# Congregational Song



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Prayer at the Conclusion of the Meal



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#### \*Benediction

\*Congregational Response

John Weaver





#### Chancel Flowers

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by the Kapfer family, in loving memory of Lawrence G. Kapfer, Sr., and in celebration of Brian Kapfer's birthday.

#### Cover Art

Today's cover art, "The Calling of James and John," is by an unknown artist from the School of Bellini; possibly even Bellini himself. It is from the 15-16th century, and is on display in the Museo Civici, Padua. It is more than likely the model for the kneeling figure, intending one of the disciples, was the the individual who commissioned the work. Artists frequently paint themselves or loved ones into their works. As readers of scripture, it can be a helpful exercise to consider where we see ourselves in each story, or how our understanding of the story changes as we view it from the perspective of different biblical characters.

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#### Music on Madison

The Saint Andrew Music Society's concert series continues today at 3 pm in the Sanctuary with a performance by Andrew Henderson, MAPC's Director of Music and Organist and chair of the organ department of the Manhattan School of Music. He will play a program including Bach, Bruhns, Mulet, and more. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$25 (\$20 for students and seniors).

#### Faith and Fermentation

Join us at an Upper East Side pub on Monday, October 29, at 6:30, for conversation, food, and beverage. We'll discuss Krista Tippett's recent conversation with sociologist and author Arlie Hochschild, "The Deep Stories of Our Time," about reaching across political and ideological divides to build better connections. (The podcast or transcipt can be found at onbeing.org) RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com.

### Memorial Sunday

We are receiving names of deceased loved ones and friends to be remembered during the services on Memorial Sunday, November 4. It is particularly appropriate to remember those who have died in the last year. Please submit names to Lissette Perez-Erazo in the church office at lgp@mapc.com. The deadline for submitting names is Tuesday, October 30.

### Trick or Treating at MAPC

Come by the Sanctuary steps (or just inside the steps) Halloween evening from 4-6 pm for some treats. You just might see some staff members in costume!

# Weekly Calendar

#### Monday, October 29

6:00 pm Faith and Fermentation Offsite
6:30 pm Overnight Shelter Shelter Space
7:00 pm Long Term Planning Committee Room 608

Tuesday, October 30

6:30 pm Overnight Shelter Space

Wednesday, October 31

Note: NO Kids Club, Wee Kids, T(w)een Club or Children's Choir

12:30 pm	Reading Through the Bible	Phillips Lounge
4:00 pm	Trick or Treat at MAPC (Candy)	Narthex, Sanctuary Step
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6:00 pm Cocaine Anonymous 5th Floor 6:30 pm Overnight Shelter Shelter Space

#### Thursday, November 1

1:00 pm	Spiritual Growth & Faith Sharing	James Lenox House
6:30 pm	Thursday Open Table MAPC SERVES	Parish Hall
6:30 pm	Recovery Group	Library
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
7:00 pm	Saint Andrew Chorale Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Meeting of the Session and Trustees	5th Floor
8:30 pm	Church Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

#### Friday, November 2

6:00 pm	Fall Fellowship Gathering	West 91st Street
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
7:30 pm	SAMS Concert: Juilliard415	Sanctuary

Saturday, November 3

10:00 am Saint Andrew Chorale Extra Rehearsal Choir Room

### Fall Fellowship Gatherings

All members of the MAPC community are invited to a Fall Fellowship Gathering. Both paper and electronic invitations have been sent out; if you cannot attend the gathering you were assigned, please contact us and we will help find a date and time that work for you. Come together in the more intimate setting of a member's home, meet some new friends, and have a chance to hear from Rev. Jenny McDevitt. Contact Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com to RSVP or for more information.

Friday, November 2	6-9 pm	West 91st Street
Monday, November 5	6-8 pm	East 89th Street
Monday, November 12	6-8 pm	East 67th Street

#### Faces of Our Faith Fall Sermon Series

Sept. 9	The Syrophoenician Woman: We Need Outsiders Rev. Jenny McDevitt
Sept. 16	Lady Wisdom: Identity In a Time of Crisis  Rev. Jenny McDevitt
Sept. 23	James: Watch Your Mouth Rev. Jenny McDevitt
Sept. 30	Little Children: Our Sacred Responsibility Rev. Jenny McDevitt
Oct. 7	Job: When the Worst Happens Rev. Jenny McDevitt
Oct. 14	The Rich Man

Rev. Beverly Bartlett

Oct. 21 Bartimaeus: Patron Saint of Imagination Rev. Jenny McDevitt

**James and John** Oct. 28

Chesna Hinkley, Seminary Intern

#### Mission Statement

The mission of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church is to bring people into the transforming presence of Jesus Christ through worship, teaching the Word, Christian nurture, and ministry in and to the world. As Christ's ministers, our members are striving to build a community of God's love, justice, and mercy, trusting God to lead us into faithfulness.

# Ministry Team Staff

The Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt, Senior Pastor and Head of Staff The Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett, Associate Pastor Christina A. Cosby, Director of Christian Formation Laura Graham, Director of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church Day School The Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman, Pastoral Resident Dr. Andrew E. Henderson, Director of Music and Organist Mary W. Huff, Associate Director of Music and Director of the NYC Children's Chorus Roger S. Pierce, Jr., Director of Administration and Finance Chesna E. Hinkley, Seminary Intern

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