



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 23, 2019 • 10:30 am



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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 on Sundays, 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 M. 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. A gathering is being planned for the summer. Childcare provided with advance request. RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com.

Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Meditation (1952)

Isadore Freed
(1900-1960)

Call to Worship

Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

From creation to completion,

God's Word seeks us out.

Whether we pay attention or not,

God's Word hovers at our elbows and tugs at our shirtsleeves.

When we have forgotten who we are or lost sight of what to do,

God's Word grabs us by the shoulders and points us toward life.

God's Word comes because God's love cannot help itself:

like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,

like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,

like a younger sibling who simply refuses to leave us alone,

God is faithful still.

*Hymn 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

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

Prayer of Confession

Christina A. Cosby

God of justice and mercy,

You long for us to be more like you.

To see all of creation through your eyes.

To celebrate the differences and rejoice in the similarities.

We confess that too often,

we hide from what makes us different

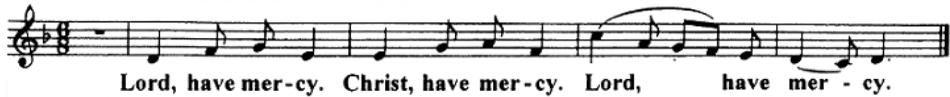
and we make an idol out of what makes us the same.

Neither is what you intend, O God.

Accept us as we are, but do not leave us this way.

Change our hearts so they beat in rhythm with yours.

(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!

*Response of Praise

Allein Gott

All glo - ry be to God on high, And peace on earth from
heav - en, And God's good will un - fail - ing - ly Be to all
peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise For
your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al-might - y Fa - ther.

Text: Nikolaus Decius, 1552, trans. F. Bland Tucker, 1977, alt.
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Music: Nikolaus Decius, 1539

*Summary of God's Law

... "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment?" Jesus said to him:

"You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart and with all your soul

and with all your mind and with all your strength.

This is the first and greatest commandment.

And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Our Life Together

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Natalie S. Pennington

Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 19:1-15a
(OT page 311)

*Psalm 42 (Hymn 189)

Rockingham

Lesson with the Children and Youth

*Children's Worship: Preschool through 3rd grades are dismissed to the Phillips Lounge.
They will return during the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 8:26-39
(NT page 63)

Gradual

Andrew Henderson

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable unto you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

—*Psalm 19:14*

Epistle Lesson

Galatians 3:23-29
(NT page 178)

Sermon

Superiority Complex

Rev. Jessica E. Tate

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn 439

In Christ There Is No East or West

St. Peter

*Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

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

Anthem

Sicut Cervus

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
(c.1525-1595)

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum: ita desiderat anima mea ad te Deus.
As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

—*Psalm 42:1*

*Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea - tures
here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - - men.

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.

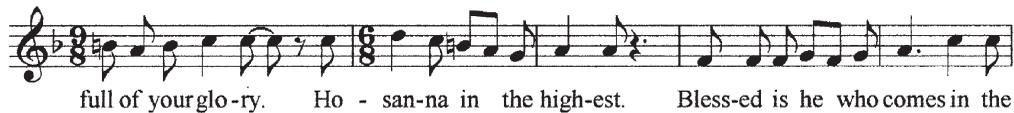
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Weaver

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



Acclamation

. . . 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

The bread you are served is gluten free.

The bronzed chalices contain wine; you are invited to take a sip or dip your bread into the cup.

The glass chalices contain juice; you are invited to dip your bread into the cup.

Anthem

Why Art Thou Cast Down? (1956)

Freed

Why art thou cast down, my soul? Why art thou so disquieted in me? Feelest not the Father nigh, caring tenderly for all? Lives for thee no God on high, loving while his judgments fall? Look above! God is love! Comfort take, O soul, in God. To the skies turn thine eyes; ev'ry tear on earth that flows, God, the world's great ruler knows.

—based on Psalm 42:6, attributed to Leopold Stein (1810-1882)

Congregational Song

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
joice. Look to God, do not be a - fraid: lift up your voi - ces, the
Lord is near; lift up your voi - ces, the Lord is near.

Jacques Berthier, *Songs and Prayers of Taizé*

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Prayer at the Conclusion of the Meal



1. E - ter - nal Rul - er of the cease-less round of cir - cling plan - ets
2. We are of thee, the chil - dren of thy love, com - pan - ions of thy
3. We would be one in ha - tred of all wrong, one in our love of
4. O clothe us with thy heaven - ly ar - mor, Lord, thy trus - ty shield, thy



sing - ing on their way; Guide of the na - tions from the night pro - found
well - be - lov - ed son; des - cend, O Ho - ly Spi - rit, like a dove,
all things sweet and fair, one with the joy that ris - es in - to song,
sword of love di - vine; our in - spi - ra - tion be thy con - stant word;



in - to the glo - ry of the per - fect day; rule in our hearts, that
in - to our hearts, that we may be as one: as one with thee, to
one with the grief that finds no voice in prayer, one in the power that
we ask no vic - to - ries that are not thine: give us the shield of



we may ev - er be guid - ed and strength - ened and up - held by thee.
whom we ev - er tend; as one with him, our pat - tern and our friend.
makes thy chil - dren free to fol - low truth, and thus to fol - low thee.
faith that we may be stead - fast, at - ten - tive, firm in serv - ing thee.

Text: John White Chadwick (1840-1904), alt.
Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

Weaver

*Postlude

Fanfare (1966)

Kenneth Leighton
(1929-1988)

Worship Details

About Our Guest Preacher

Rev. Jessica E. Tate directs NEXT Church, a purposeful relational community of Presbyterian leaders whose mission is to strengthen a vibrant and thriving PC(USA). Prior to NEXT, Jessica was associate pastor of Fairfax Presbyterian Church in northern Virginia. She serves on the advisory council of Leadership Education at Duke Divinity. Jessica was MAPC's 2007 recipient of the David H. C. Read Award.

Cover Art

Mosaic artist David Chigdey titles this piece "Stained glass mosaic mandala resurrection cross."

Information and Announcements

This Summer's Guest Preachers

We are fortunate this summer to be joined in worship by a number of guest preachers with close ties to MAPC. Though the season often takes many of you away on the weekends, consider returning to the city to worship on these Sundays:

June 23	Rev. Jessica E. Tate, 2007 David H. C. Read Scholar
July 14	Rev. Brian D. Ellison, 1999 David H. C. Read Scholar
August 11	Rev. Carmen C. Goetchius, Inaugural Global Ministry Fellow
August 18	Rev. Jordan A. Tarwater, Director of the Urban Outreach Center

Summer Choir

You are invited to sing on Sundays during the summer at MAPC! Our Summer Choir provides an opportunity for church members and friends to sing together as leaders of worship. Continuing through Sunday, July 28, the Summer Choir meets on Sunday for a rehearsal in the Choir Room at 9:30 am in preparation for our 10:30 am services. Contact Andrew Henderson at aeh@mapc.com.

MAPC on the Town: Staten Island Yankees

We have tickets left the Staten Island Yankees night game on Thursday, June 27. The game begins at 7 pm, and we'll meet at the ferry terminal at 5:45 to take the 6 pm ferry together. Cost is \$20 per ticket and includes a \$10 concession voucher. Reserve your seat now! RSVP to Lissette in the church office, lgp@mapc.com. For MAPC folk of all ages!

Annual Summer Roof Garden Party

Mark your calendars for the Summer Roof Garden Party on Monday, July 15 at 6 pm. This is always a wonderful social event with the MAPC community. Good food, lively conversation, and the beautiful Roof Garden space! RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo, lgp@mapc.com Suggested donation is \$40. Childcare is available by advance request for a donation of \$15 per child.

Baptism

Interested in having your child baptized at MAPC? Contact Rev. Rebecca Heilman at rmh@mapc.com about attending an orientation session. Baptisms are then scheduled in conversation with Senior Pastor Rev. Jenny McDevitt to ensure the timing meets the needs of your family.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, June 24

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study	Phillips Lounge

Tuesday, June 25

11:00 am	Kurt Wolfgruber Memorial Service	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	ESL Classes	5th Floor
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

Wednesday, June 26

12:30 pm	Reading Through the Bible	Phillips Lounge
6:00 pm	Cocaine Anonymous	5th Floor
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

Thursday, June 27

6:00 pm	20s/30s Bible Study	10th Floor
6:00 pm	MAPC On the Town: Staten Island Yankees	offsite
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
6:30 pm	Thursday Open Table	Parish Hall

Friday, June 28

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
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Saturday, June 29

No events scheduled

Sunday, June 30

9:30 am	Summer Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
10:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
10:45 am	Children's Worship	Phillips Lounge
11:45 am	Fellowship Hour	Parish Hall
12:00 pm	Session meeting	8th Floor
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

immerse yourself in worship this summer 10:30 am

June 9	Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt
June 16	Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett
June 23	Rev. Jessica E. Tate, 2007 David H. C. Read Scholar
June 30	Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett
July 7	Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt
July 14	Rev. Brian D. Ellison, 1999 David H. C. Read Scholar
July 21	Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
July 28	Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
August 4	Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt
August 11	Rev. Carmen C. Goetschius, Inaugural Global Ministry Fellow
August 18	Rev. Jordan A. Tarwater, Director of the Urban Outreach Center
August 25	Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman
September 1	Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt

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*
Teresa D. Tynes, *Director of Communication*
The Rev. Dr. Fred R. Anderson, *Pastor Emeritus*
Dr. John B. Weaver, *Director of Music and Organist Emeritus*