

Facebook Live streaming of Sunday worship begins Sunday, June 2! See page 4 for more.

The Pastoral Staff Letter

This Sunday
Sunday, June 2, 2019

Worship Schedule: 10:30 am
Nursery: 4th floor 9:15 am—12:15 pm

Worship: This Sunday the service will celebrate our confirmation class this year, Sébastien Nordenson and Isabella Winckler, as they become full active members of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church. From the written and spoken liturgy to music, the service will be led entirely by the young people of MAPC.

Summer Choir Rehearsal, 9:30 am, Choir Room
Youth Hour—Youth Brunch, 9:30 am, Youth Lounge
Worship, 10:30 am, Sanctuary
Congregational Confirmand Lunch, 11:45 am, Parish Hall
Shelter Open House, 1 pm, Shelter Space
Overnight Shelter, 6:30 pm, Shelter Space



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all things new



May 5	A New Vision Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 9 & 11:15 am
May 12	A New Job Description Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 9 & 11:15 am
May 19	A New Diet Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 9 & 11:15 am
May 26	A New Community Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 10:30 am
June 2	Youth Sunday & Confirmation Sebastien L. J. Nordenson / 10:30 am Isabella N. Winckler / 10:30 am
June 9	A New Jerusalem Pentecost Ordination & Installation of Officers Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt / 10:30 am

Sunday June 2, 2019

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10:30
am **Congregational Confirmand Lunch, June 2, 11:45 pm, Parish Hall**
Following the Youth Sunday 10:30 worship service, you are invited to attend a lunch in the Parish Hall sponsored by the Christian Education Committee in honor of the confirmands, Sébastien Nordenson and Isabella Winckler. Please join fellow members of the congregation and the confirmand families in welcoming Sébastien and Isabella to full participation in the life of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church.

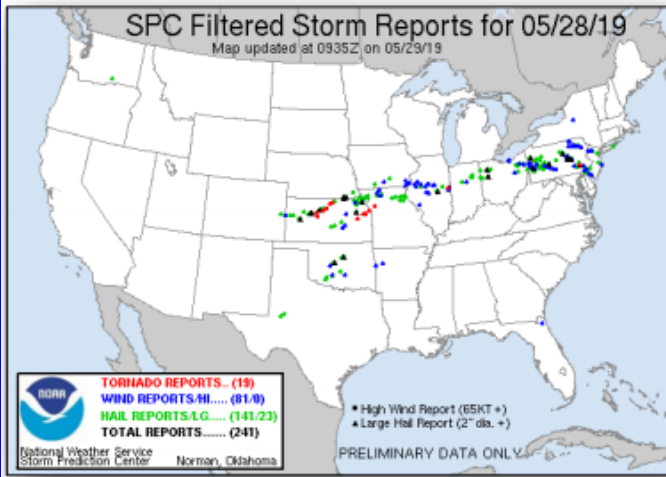
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1 pm **Shelter Open House**
Interested in our Men's Shelter? Come to the shelter on Sunday, June 2 at 1 pm to learn about volunteer opportunities and our guests who stay in our building each night. The shelter leaders are specifically in need for overnight hosts (8:30 pm – 6:30 am) and are always looking for early shift hosts (6:30 pm – 8:30 pm), if that works better for you. Questions? Please contact Rev. Rebecca Heilman at rmh@mapc.com.

June events

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4 pm **Kids on the Roof:**
Special Wednesday afternoon June program for MAPC kids
On Wednesdays June 5th and 12th there will be children's play time on the Roof Garden, from 4 pm to 6 pm, for children grades 5 and under. This is for all MAPC families—not just those currently participating in Kids' Club! In addition to play, we'll have crafts, a Bible story, and dinner at 5:30 (served on the Roof Garden). Parents are encouraged to come for dinner, if you can't be there earlier. Donations for dinner will be welcome!

On June 5th, there will be a Taizé prayer service at 6:15 in the Dana Chapel that people of all ages can attend. On June 12th, we will hope for warm weather so that we can enjoy water play on the Roof Garden. On that day, families are welcome to stay until 7 to enjoy splashing, playing and conversation. This is not a drop-off program so please ensure that a caregiver will accompany your child(ren) and can join in the activities on the Roof Garden. Please let us know if you plan to attend—Chef Jim needs to know how much food to prepare! RSVP to Lissette Perez-Eraza in the church office, lgp@mapc.com

Give to Communities Affected by the Recent Storms, Floods, and Tornadoes



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has been in touch with all of the presbyteries affected by the recent flooding, storms and tornadoes in the U.S. to offer assistance. According to the PDA, one National Response Team is being deployed and they are processing several initial response grants.

Donations to support the PDA response in the U.S., designated to DR000015, are greatly appreciated.

<https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000015/>

June events

Taizé Worship Service

6/5

Taizé chants, which are often sung as our congregational song during communion, were written as musical prayers/meditations.

6:15

In the month of June, we will have two Taizé prayer services on Wednesday evening in the Dana Chapel. Please come join in this time of mid-week reflection and prayer.

pm

Church Family Night

6/7

We have one more Church Family Night before the fall! Come enjoy dinner, crafts, a movie and/or playtime in the gym or on the Roof Garden! RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erao in the church office, lgp@mapc.com. Suggested donation is \$20 for adults, and a donation of your choice for children under 12.

6 pm

Ordination and Installation of Officers

6/9

Next Sunday, June 9, we will ordain two new deacons and install Elders, Deacons, and Trustees for the Class of 2022. It is a wonderful celebration in the life of MAPC and a chance to recognize and give thanks for those serving in these leadership roles.

10:30

am

Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church on Social Media

Like, friend, follow, listen, and watch MAPC on social media channels.



Facebook

Follow MAPC on Facebook for news, reminders, events, and pictures from everyday life at the church. It's a good way to engage in fellowship and to know what's going on each week.

[facebook.com/MadisonAvenuePresbyterian/](https://www.facebook.com/MadisonAvenuePresbyterian/)

Facebook Live! Beginning June 2, MAPC will broadcast the Sunday worship services live on Facebook! At 10:30 am every Sunday this summer, tune into the MAPC Facebook page for the live video and audio of the service. After the event, the sermon will be posted for later viewing. Look for any announcements or updates about live streaming on the MAPC Facebook page.

SoundCloud and iTunes

Listen to Sunday sermons from MAPC on the streaming platforms SoundCloud and iTunes. SoundCloud also allows users to share the audio files and compile playlists.

SoundCloud

Download the SoundCloud app or listen on the web:

https://soundcloud.com/mapc_sermons



iTunes

Download the iTunes podcast app and search for Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Instagram

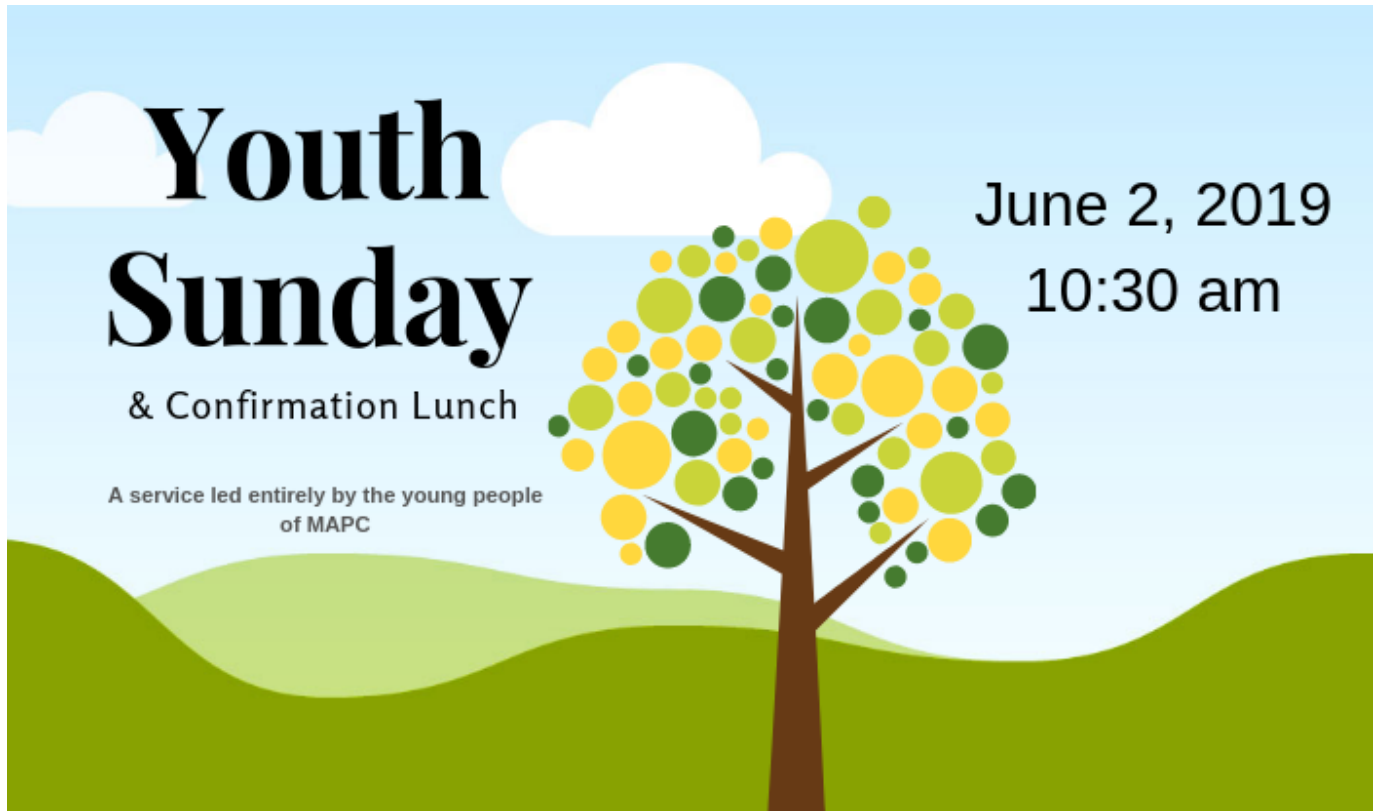
Expect the MAPC Instagram social media account to pick up steam this coming summer as we have so many events planned! Look for `mapc_nyc` in the app and follow us.

https://www.instagram.com/mapc_nyc

Mark Your Summer 2019 Calendars!



- * **Taizé Worship Service**, June 5 & 19, 6:15 pm, Dana Chapel
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- * **Church Family Night**, June 7, 6 pm
We have one more Church Family Night before the fall! Come enjoy dinner, crafts, a movie and/or playtime in the gym or on the Roof Garden! RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo in the church office, lgp@mapc.com. Suggested donation is \$20 for adults, and a donation of your choice for children under 12.
- * **Pub Theology**, June 13, 6:30 pm
Come join in a time of fellowship and discussion at “Pub MAPC.” We’ll provide the main dish and the rest will be potluck. Our discussion will center on the role of the Holy Spirit (in light of Pentecost), and to spark our discussion we’ll read an article by Rachel Held Evans, [“Breath, Fire, Wind, Womb: A Reflection on the Holy Spirit.”](#) Sign up for Pub Theology via [this link on SignUpGenius](#).
- * **Families with Young Children**, June 15, 10 am
Families with children ages 5 and under (older siblings welcome), come enjoy a play date on the Roof Garden on Saturday morning, June 15th from 10 to noon. We’ll have bagels and coffee, and water play if it’s warm enough. RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo, lgp@mapc.com.
- * **MAPC On the Town: Staten Island Yankees**, Thursday, June 27, 6 pm, offsite
If you’ve never been to see the SI Yankees, the games are a lot of fun, family-friendly, and the view from the ballfield of New York Harbor and lower Manhattan is worth the price of the ticket alone! \$20, includes ticket and a \$10 concession voucher. We have 20 tickets behind the SI Yankees’ dugout. The game begins at 7 pm, and we’ll meet at the ferry terminal at 5:45 to take the 6 pm ferry together. 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**, Monday, July 15, 6 pm
Mark your calendars for the Summer Roof Garden Party! This is always a wonderful social event with the MAPC community. Good food, lively conversation, and the wonderful Roof Garden space! RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo, lgp@mapc.com Suggested donation is \$40.



Children, Youth, and Family Ministries

Children's Worship

Children's worship takes place during worship at 10:30 am. This is an interactive worship service led by Christina Cosby, the Director of Christian Formation, designed specifically for children 3rd grade and under. All are welcome to come encounter God and worship together.

Youth Worship, 9 am and 11:15 am

Youth Worship concluded on May 19 at 11:15 am as the participants shared what they enjoyed most about their time together and worship this year. For questions or concerns regarding Youth Worship and plans for next year please reach out to Christina Cosby at cac@mapc.com.

MAPC Serves Opportunities: Youth Service Group for High School Students

All High School Students are invited to serve the vulnerable across our City. In fact, their help is needed to reach our service goal of 300 hours of service this year. Three diverse populations are the focus of their service together: the elderly, the homeless, and children. So far we have reached 250 hours and with one service project to go we need your help!

All are invited to sign up to serve a meal at MAPC's Thursday Open Table on Thursday, June 6 from 6-8 pm. To lend a helping hand email Christina Cosby at cac@mapc.com!

Children's Worship and Youth Worship. Volunteer Opportunities Come experience worship in a new way. Visit [Sign Up Genius](#) to volunteer this Spring.

Bible Studies at MAPC

Looking for a place to read Scripture together and to get to know people at MAPC? Come to one of our Bible Studies. Newcomers are always welcome! For more information, visit the [Adult Education](#) page at [mapc.com](#).

Reading Through the Bible: Next meeting is [June 5](#).

Wednesdays 12:30-1:30 pm, Phillips Lounge.

Everyone is invited to join Reading Through the Bible as we continue reading Jeremiah. Feel free to bring a bag lunch, or a snack to share.

20s/30s Bible Study: Next Meeting is Thursday, [June 27](#), 6:00 pm, 10th floor. Anyone in their 20s or 30s is invited to come explore *Questions of Our Faith*. If you want to know more about 20's and 30's Bible Study email Christina Cosby at [cac@mapc.com](#).

Women's Bible Study: (Next Meeting is Monday, [June 10](#), Phillips Lounge. *2nd and 4th Mondays, 6:30 pm*

The minor prophets—who are they? What do they have to say today? These are the same questions Women's Bible Study asked inspiring a study of the minor prophets in the Old Testament. The minor prophets are full of wisdom and insight into the Biblical world.

Women's Bible Study invites women of the church to learn more about the history of God's people and invite their inspiration to influence lives.

Hands-on Ministries

The following opportunities to participate in hands-on ministries are provided by the Outreach Committee. If you are interested in exploring any of these opportunities, email Rev. Rebecca Heilman at [rmh@mapc.com](#). Let's put our faith into action!

The Thursday Open Table

Can you spare two hours on a Thursday evening from 6-8 pm? If so, then you can help feed 120 hungry neighbors a hot meal, offering them Christian hospitality. Please contact Kathy Hoffman at [kfhoffman@earthlink.net](#) to volunteer for this opportunity.

Host at the Shelter

Two shifts are offered each evening. Early evening hosts volunteer from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm; overnight hosts volunteer from 8:30 pm to 7:00 am. Contact Rev. Rebecca Heilman at [rmh@mapc.com](#) for more information.

Search and Care

Can you spend an afternoon with an elderly person on the Upper East Side to walk their pet, go with them to a doctor's appointment, help them shop, balance their checkbook or even just offer them the gift of companionship? If so, contact Robin Strashun at [SandC@searchandcare.org](#).

Follow MAPC on [Facebook](#) for updates and to share news and events.

For All the Saints

Saturday, June 1, at 11 am in the Sanctuary, a memorial service will be held for Katherine Stanton, former wife of Rev. Norman Stanton (past Associate Pastor of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church). A reception will follow in the Parish Hall. We give thanks for the promise of the Gospel which reminds us "in life and in death, we belong to God."

Next Week at MAPC



Flowers for the Sanctuary

Is there someone you would like to honor or remember through a gift of flowers for Sunday worship? If so, please contact Lissette Perez-Eraza at lgp@mapc.com or 212-288-8920. The cost for Sunday flowers is \$110.

Monday, June 3	6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
Tuesday, June 4	5:00 pm	Hood Library Fellowship	Hood Library
	6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
	7:00 pm	Christian Education Committee	Hood Library
Wednesday, June 5	12:30 pm	Reading Through the Bible	Phillips Lounge
	1:30 pm	Shelter Leaders	Shelter Space
	4:00 pm	Kids on the Roof	Roof Garden
	6:00 pm	Cocaine Anonymous	5th Floor
	6:15 pm	Taize Worship Service	Dana Chapel
	6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
	7:00 pm	Deacons	8th Floor
	7:00 pm	Personnel Committee	Pastor's Study
Thursday, June 6	1:00 pm	Spiritual Growth & Faith Sharing	James Lenox House
	6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
	6:30 pm	Thursday Open Table	Parish Hall
Friday, June 7	6:00 pm	Church Family Night	Roof Garden, Gym, Parish Hall
	6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
Saturday, June 8	6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

New York Common Pantry

The New York Common Pantry is always looking for donations! Please help through gifts of **canned or dried beans, canned chicken/salmon/tuna, rice, dried pasta, canned vegetables, and peanut butter** (no glass containers). Your gifts may be dropped off in the grocery cart found in the Church House Lobby. You may also order groceries to be delivered to their site: 8 East 109th St. New York, NY 10029. They are not only looking for donations, but volunteers as well! Help pack and distribute food any day of the week. For more information, contact NYCP at 917.720.9700.