

The Pastoral Staff Letter

This Sunday

Sunday, June 23, 2019

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Schedule: 10:30 am

Nursery: 4th floor 9:15 am—12:15 pm

Worship: This Sunday, Rev. Jessica E. Tate will preach her sermon, *Superiority Complex*, based on the lectionary texts: 1 Kings 19:1-4 (5-7) 8-15a; Psalm 42; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39.

Summer Choir Rehearsal, 9:30 am, Choir Room

Worship, 10:30 am, Sanctuary

Children's Worship, 10:45 am, Phillips Lounge

Fellowship Hour, 11:45 am, Parish Hall

ESL Classes, 12 pm, 5th Floor

Overnight Shelter, 6:30 pm, Shelter Space



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| 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 |

Sunday June 23, 2019

**10:30
am**

Guest Preacher: Rev. Jessica E. Tate

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.

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 week-ends, consider returning to the city to worship on these Sundays:

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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 ah@mapc.com.

For All the Saints

We extend our deepest condolences to the family of MAPC member Katy Textor Farmer who died on June 14. A memorial service for Katy was held in the MAPC sanctuary on Thursday, June 20th.

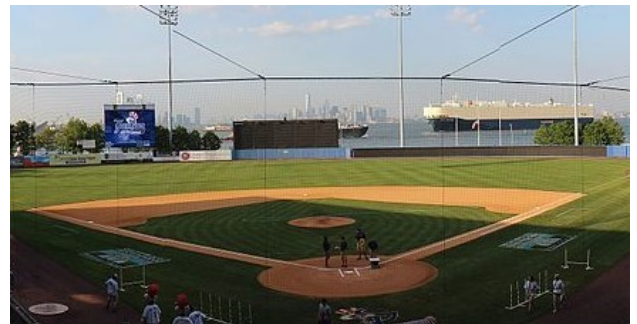
We learned this week of the death of MAPC member and elder Gretchen Hull on May 30th. A memorial service will be held on Monday, July 1, at 1:00 pm at Meadow Lakes Retirement Community in Hightstown, NJ.

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." –Romans 14:8

Summer events

**6/27
6 pm**

MAPC On the Town: Staten Island Yankees, Thursday, June 27, 6 pm, offsite. We have tickets left for the night game between the Staten Island Yankees and the Hudson Valley Renegades. The game begins at 7 pm, and we'll meet at the ferry terminal at 5:45 to take the 6 pm ferry together. 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. Reserve your seat now! RSVP to Lissette in the church office, lgp@mapc.com. For MAPC folk of all ages!

**7/15
6
pm**

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 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.

Scenes from Kids on the Roof

On June 5th and 12th, MAPC kids enjoyed big summertime fun on the Roof Garden.



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/

Facebook Live! Beginning in June, 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



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.

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.

Did you know that even if you're away or unable to make it to church that you can listen to Sunday worship services at MAPC? Sermons and service highlights (including scripture lessons, hymns and anthems) are uploaded afterwards, and are permanently accessible. They can be downloaded to your electronic device or listened to directly on MAPC's website. Once ready for print, our Sunday bulletins are also uploaded to our website on Thursday afternoons and are made permanently available for download.

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 26**.

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 24**, 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.

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.

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-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com or 212-288-8920. The cost for Sunday flowers is \$110.

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| 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 |
| 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 |

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.