



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 21, 2019 • 10:30am



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. The next gathering will be held August 17, 2019 at 9 am in the Phillips Lounge. Childcare provided with advance request. RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com.

Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

*Whether we are a listener or a worker bee, O God,
surround us with love as we continue to be in the act of becoming.*

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Prelude on 'Slane'

*Healey Willan
(1880-1968)*

Call to Worship

Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman

From the very beginning, God called us into creation. What do you know is true?

We are people made in God's image, each called to serve in our own way.

From the very beginning, God called us to this place of worship. What do you see?

We see people embodying God's love by embracing all people.

From the very beginning, God called us to speak out. What do you hear?

We hear voices with peaceful words and music with hopeful lyrics.

From the very beginning, God called us to serve. What will you do?

We will love, we will welcome, and we will worship in God's name.

*Hymn 462

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Ratisbon

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

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

When do we have time to stop and listen, O God?

We live in a city that never sleeps.

We live in a society that glorifies busyness.

And so, we fill our days with endless work,

jumping from one meeting to another,

writing to-do lists,

and yet, never checking the list off.

We are so easily distracted by the next task.

We are numb to the world.

We overlook those who are hungry,

those who feel unwelcome,

those who have been separated from their families.

We are so easily distracted, we do not see those moments of stillness

that open our eyes to you.

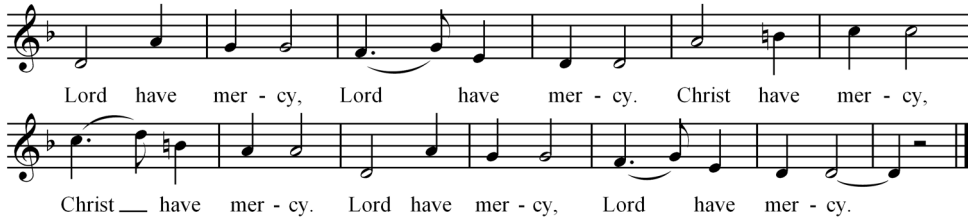
Draw us to your peace, draw us to be still.

Open our hearts to your world, O God.

(Silent prayer)

Lord, Have Mercy

James MacMillan



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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

Blaenwern



Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: William Rowlands (1860-1937)

*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 François de Paul Silatchom

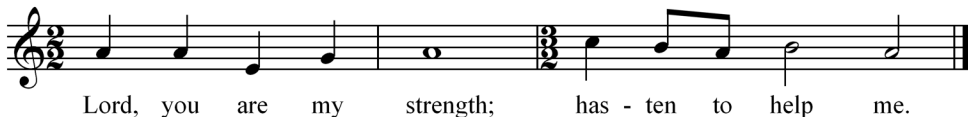
Old Testament Lesson

Amos 8:1-12
(OT page 807)

Responsorial Psalm 52

Presbyterian 8

Please join in singing the refrain:



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Blake Burroughs, cantor

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.

Epistle Lesson

Colossians 1:15-28
(NT page 188)

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

Gospel Lesson

Luke 10:38-42
(NT page 67)

Sermon

Different Strengths, Same Goal

Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Stanzas 1, 2, 4



1. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. _____ Where there is ha - tred,
2. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. _____ Where there's de-spair in
4. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. _____ It is in par - don -



let me bring your love. _____ Where there is in - ju - ry, your par-don,
life, let me bring hope. _____ Where there is dark-ness, _____ on - ly
ing that we are par-doned, _____ in giv-ing of our - selves that we re -



Lord, _____ And where there's doubt, true faith _____ in _____ you. _____
light, _____ And where there's sad - ness, ev - er _____ joy. _____
ceive, _____ and in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life. _____

1. 2., 4. Stanza 3



3. O, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek _____ So



much to be con-soled as to con - sole. _____ To be un-der-stood as to un-der-



stand. _____ To be loved as to love with all my soul. _____

Text: Francis of Assisi (1182-1226), adapted by Sebastian Temple (1928-1997)

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**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

Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake

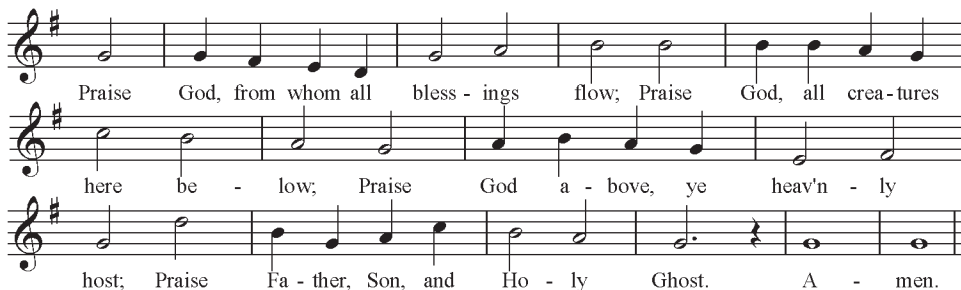
*Richard Farrant
(c. 1525-1580)*

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives, to decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk with a perfect heart before Thee now and evermore.

— Anonymous (16th Century)

*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.**

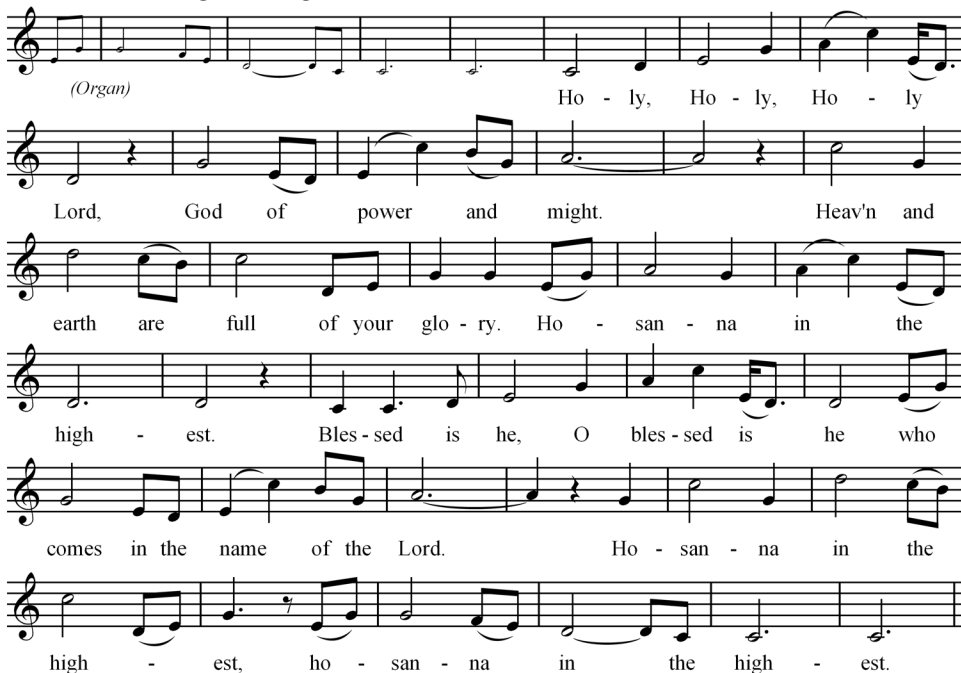
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Sanctus

MacMillan

. . . 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

God Be In My Head

John Rutter

(b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding.

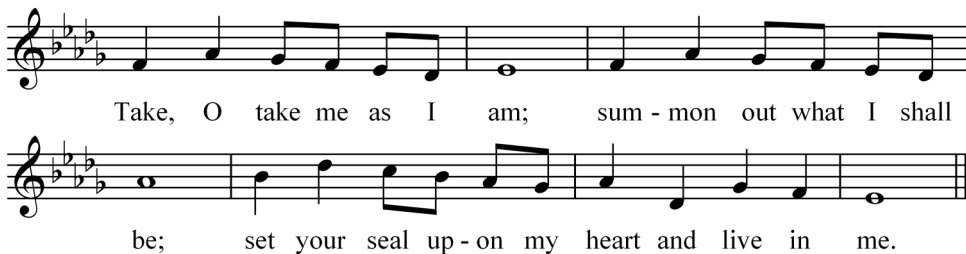
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.

God be in my mouth and in my speaking.

God be in mine heart and in my thinking.

God be at mine end and at my departing.

Congregational Song



Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

Prayer at the Conclusion of the Meal

*Hymn 339

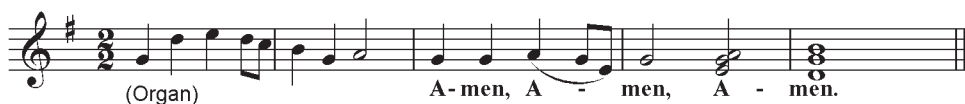
Be Thou My Vision

Slane

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

John Weaver



*Postlude

Toccata on 'Great Day' (from *Four Spirituals*, 1999)

Adolphus Hailstork
(b. 1941)

Worship Details

Cover Art

"Martha And Mary" by He Qi, China

Information and Announcements

Farewell Reception

A reception for Christina Cosby will be held after worship at 12 pm on Sunday, July 28 in the Parish Hall. Join us in giving thanks for her two years of service with MAPC.

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:

August 11	Rev. Carmen C. Goetchius, Inaugural Global Ministry Fellow
August 18	Rev. Jordan A. Tarwater, Director of the Urban Outreach Center

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, July 22

6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Phillips Lounge
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

Tuesday, July 23

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
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Wednesday, July 24

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

Thursday, July 25

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
6:30 pm	Thursday Open Table	Parish Hall

Friday, July 26

6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
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Saturday, July 27

No events scheduled

Sunday, July 28

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	Reception for Christina Cosby	Parish Hall
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

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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
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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*

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*