



Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 27, 2019 • 9 & 11:15 am



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, including worship. To help with that, Children's Worship Bags are located in the Narthex. Red bags are for 2nd graders and above. Blue bags are for 1st graders and below. Please use the bag that best suits your child. Children can't help but make a bit noise from time to time. Your family's presence is a delight, not a distraction. If it is your preference, 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 November 16, 2019 at 9:30 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

"To those of us who believe that all of life is sacred
every crumb of bread and sip of wine is a Eucharist, a remembrance,
a call to awareness of holiness right where we are."

—Shauna Niequist, *Bread and Wine: A Love Letter to Life Around the Table with Recipes*

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Berceuse
(from *24 Pièces en Style Libre*)

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

Call to Worship

Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett

All who hunger, gather around.

There is bread here, for empty bellies.

There is compassion here, for broken hearts.

There is grace here, for shattered lives.

There is family here, for lonely souls.

There is hope here, for all who need it.

All who hunger, gather around and lift your hearts to God.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*Hymn 244

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

Monkland

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

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Rebecca M. Heilman

Merciful God,

Forgive us, for we are slow of sight.

We see scarcity in scraps of bread and a few fish;

you see a feast for thousands.

We see a threat in someone who is different from us;

you see a beloved child.

We see hopelessness in the world around us;

you see a brand new day and another chance to do what is right.

Forgive us, for we are slow of sight, and we so easily lose our way.

(Silent prayer)

Lord, Have Mercy

John Weaver



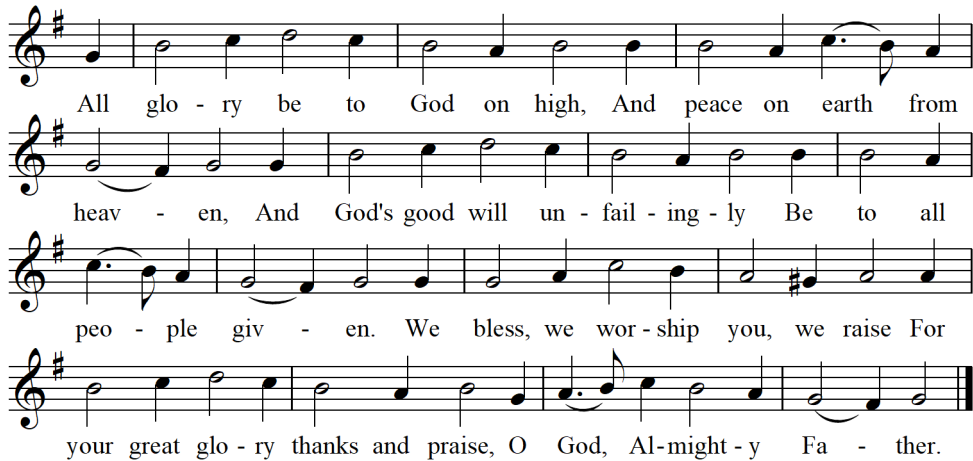
Assurance of God's Grace

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

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

*Response of Praise

Allein Gott



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*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

Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt

Word in Action

Stewardship

Deacon Lauren L. Logan

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Joel 2:23-32
(OT page 799)

*Psalm 84 (Hymn 207)

Merle's Tune

Lesson with the Children and Youth

*Children's Worship: Preschoolers through 2nd graders are dismissed to the Phillips Lounge.
Children will return during the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.*

New Testament Lesson

Luke 9:10-17
(NT page 65)

Sermon

All You Can Eat

Rev. Jenny M. McDevitt

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn 329 (11:15 am)

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Bread of Life

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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

Presenting Our Offerings to God

Anthem (11:15 am) O How Amiable Are Thy Dwellings (1934) *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

(1872-1958)

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: They will be always praising thee. The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handiwork.

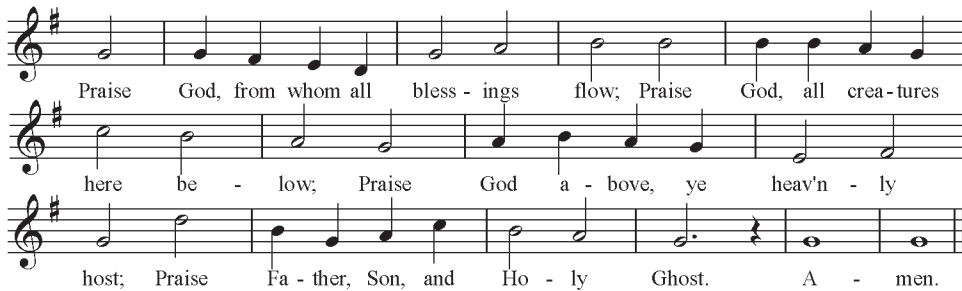
—*Psalms 84:1-4; Psalm 90:17*

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

—*Isaac Watts (1674-1748)*

*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.

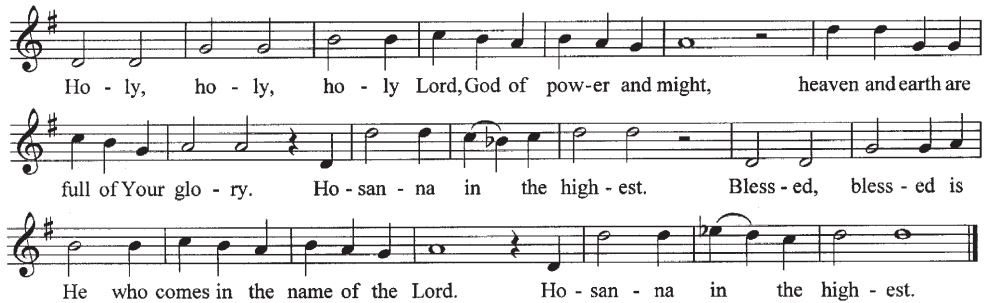
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

. . . 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.

Those seated in the balcony, please come to the main level to receive the elements.

Anthem

I Will Pour Out My Spirit on All the Earth

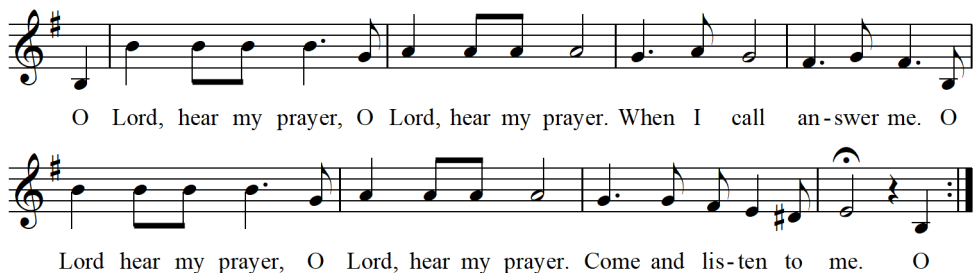
Hal H. Hopson

I will pour out my spirit on all the earth; all your
sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your
old men shall dream dreams, and your young men
shall see visions.

(b. 1933)

—paraphrased from Joel 2:28

Congregational Song (11:15 am)



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call an-swer me. O

Lord hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis-ten to me. O

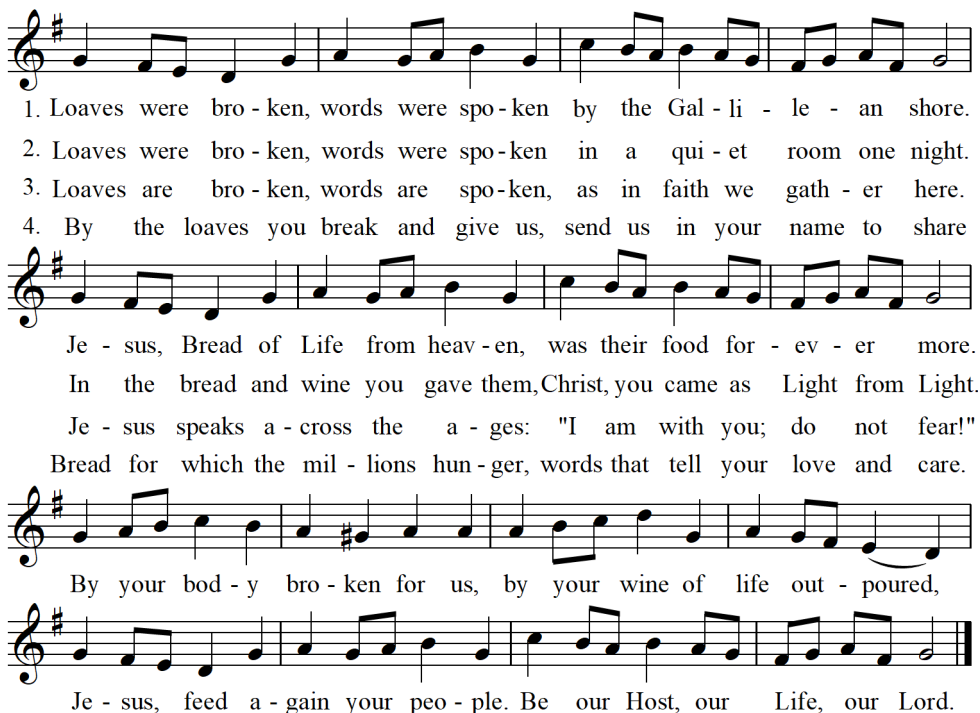
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Prayer at the Conclusion of the Meal

*Hymn 538

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

In Babilone



1. Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - li - le - an shore.
2. Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et room one night.
3. Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we gath - er here.
4. By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your name to share

Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their food for - ev - er more.
In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.
Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"
Bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.

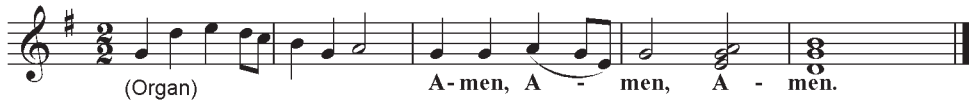
By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your wine of life out - poured,
Je - sus, feed a - gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

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Music: Dutch Melody, arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

Weaver



*Postlude

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

Adolphus Hailstork
(b. 1941)

Worship Details

Cover Art

"Feeding the 5000" by Laura James.

Information and Announcements

Adult Education

Today we continue the Faithful Living in Challenging Times series with the theme, "Live in Gratitude." We will discuss Part Two of Diana Butler Bass's book *Grateful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks*. Join Rev. Beverly Bartlett at 10:10 am in the Parish Hall.

Senior Fellowship Lunch

MAPC Seniors and friends will have lunch together today in the Parish Hall at 1 pm following fellowship hour. After lunch, stay for Andrew Henderson's recital at 3 pm. The suggested donation for lunch is \$10.

Music on Madison

Today's concert at 3 pm features Andrew Henderson, MAPC's Director of Music & Organist and chair of the organ department of the Manhattan School of Music. He will play a program of 18th, 19th, and 20th Century works for the organ by Bach, Mendelssohn and Vierne, along with works by Hailstork, Langlais and Mägi. Tickets can be purchased at the door. \$25; \$20 – Students/Seniors 62+; children 12 & under are free.

Youth Halloween Party

All youth in 6th – 12th grades are invited to join Mary Huff and April Martin on October 30 from 5:30-6:30 pm for Halloween games, food, music and more at the church. Please RSVP to Director of Youth Ministries, April Martin, at aem@mapc.com.

Trick-or-Treating on the Church Steps

On October 31, the doors of the narthex will be open from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. for Halloween fun. The pastoral staff and friends will be in costume to hand out treats. Bring your dressed-up family, pets, or even self and join us for a couple of fun hours on Madison Avenue!

Annual Women's Brunch

MAPC women, come join us for brunch on Saturday, November 2, 2019, at 10 am in the Parish Hall. This year the women of the pastoral staff will be sharing their stories with us—Come hear about the significant turning points in their lives that landed them here, in ministry at MAPC. The suggested donation for brunch is \$20. RSVP to Lissette Perez-Erazo, lgp@mapc.com. In lieu of childcare, The Roof Garden will be open for spouses and/or caregivers and children to play while moms enjoy brunch.

Memorial Sunday

We are receiving the names of deceased loved ones and friends to be remembered during worship on Memorial Sunday, November 3. It is particularly appropriate to remember those who have died in the last year. If you have someone whose name you would like listed in the worship bulletin and included in the prayers, please contact our Office Manager, Lissette Perez-Erazo, at lgp@mapc.com. The deadline for submitting names is Wednesday, October 30.

Giving in Perspective

It costs \$1,000 each year for communion elements: bread, wine, and juice.

It costs \$10,000 each year to tune and maintain the organs and pianos.

It costs \$15,000 each year to run the Overnight Men's Shelter.

It costs \$170,000 each year to heat our three buildings.

If everyone gave \$200 more, we'd raise an additional \$60,000.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, October 28

6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Phillips Lounge
6:00 pm	Fall Fellowship Gathering	E. 57th Street
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

Tuesday, October 29

11:00 am	Robert Haynes Memorial Service	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Robert Haynes Memorial Reception	Parish Hall
6:00 pm	Fall Fellowship Gathering	Park Avenue/E. 89th
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

Wednesday, October 30

12:30 pm	Reading Through the Bible	Hood Library
5:30 pm	Middle School Youth Halloween Party	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Cocaine Anonymous	5th Floor
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space

Thursday, October 31

4:00 pm	Trick-or-Treating on the Church Steps	Sanctuary Steps
6:30 pm	Thursday Open Table	Parish Hall
6:30 pm	Overnight Shelter	Shelter Space
7:00 pm	Saint Andrew Chorale Rehearsal	Sanctuary
8:30 pm	Church Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Friday, November 1

6:00 pm	New Member Reception	The Manse
6:00 pm	Pizza & Game Night	Gym, 5th Floor

Saturday, November 2

10:00 am	Annual Women's Brunch	Parish Hall
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Sunday, November 3—Memorial Sunday

9:00 & 11:15 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:15 & 11:30 am	Children's Worship	Phillips Lounge
10:10 & 12:30 pm	Fellowship Hour	Lobby
10:10 am	Youth Fellowship (6th-12th grade)	5th Floor
10:10 am	Adult Education: Live in Gratitude	Parish Hall
10:20 am	Church Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
1:00 pm	ESL Classes	5th Floor

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 did not receive one or 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. Members of the Stewardship Committee will also be present. Contact Lissette Perez-Erazo at lgp@mapc.com to RSVP or get more information.

Remaining gatherings:

Monday, October 28 @ 6-8 pm

Tuesday, October 29 @ 6-8 pm

Monday, November 4 @ 6-8 pm

Sunday, November 10 @ 4-6 pm

East 57th Street

Park Avenue near East 89th Street

Fifth Avenue near East 98th Street

West 92nd Street

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*

April E. Martin, *Director of Youth Ministry*

Roger S. Pierce, Jr., *Director of Administration and Finance*

Teresa D. Tynes, *Director of Communications*

The Rev. Dr. Fred R. Anderson, *Pastor Emeritus*

Dr. John B. Weaver, *Director of Music and Organist Emeritus*