



# Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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## First Sunday of Lent

February 14, 2016 at 9 and 11:15 am

### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### Word and Sacrament

*Please silence your cellular telephones.*

*We encourage you to begin this time of worship in silent prayer.*

#### Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

#### PRELUDE

Prelude in E minor, BWV 548 (11:15 am)

*J. S. Bach*

Wenn wir in höchsten Nöthen sein, BWV 641

(1685-1750)

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Eric O. Springsted**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: You who live in the shelter of the Most High,

Who abide in the shadow of the almighty, will say to the Lord:

**People: "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."**

Pastor: In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

**People: Let us worship God.**

\*Let all who are able stand.

#### \*HYMN 77

Forty Days and Forty Nights

*Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

**Andrew D. Smothers**

**Remember not, O Lord, our offenses and sins against God and our neighbors, for we are truly sorry for all of them, and we would turn from them. In these coming days we humbly pray that we might be always aware of what we have done and thought that is not loving or holy, and that we might sincerely sorrow over being that way. Forgive us, we pray, and then deliver us now and in the coming days from our spiritual blindness, our pride, and envy, and anger, from our self-concern. For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, who came to give us life, let us now in this Lent die to death with him, that we might be raised with him to share in your life. Amen.**

*(Silence for personal confession)*

#### LORD, HAVE MERCY (from *Deutsche Messe*)

*Franz Schubert*

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, \_\_\_ have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, \_\_\_ have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: ... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

### \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*Wondrous Love*

What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What won - drous love is this, O my soul!  
What won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the heav - y cross for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the heav - y cross for my soul!

Text: American Folk Hymn, c. 1811

Music: Anonymous, from Walker's *Southern Harmony* (1835)

### \*THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Pastor: The Psalmist reminds us that in keeping God's law there is great reward. Let us recount for our benefit these words of God's instruction for life:

**People: You shall have no other gods before me.  
You shall make no idols nor worship or serve them.  
You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.  
Honor the Sabbath and keep it holy.  
Honor your father and mother,  
that your days may be long in the land:  
No murder,  
No adultery,  
No stealing,  
No false witness against your neighbor,  
No coveting.  
Lord, give us grace to walk in this, your way.**

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: Since we have been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, let us be reconciled to one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Greet one another with signs of Christ's peace.

*Please greet those around you with: "The peace of Christ be with you," responding, "And also with you."*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Christopher N. De La Cruz**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Deuteronomy 26:1-11

*(nrsv, page 174 OT)*

\*PSALM 91 (Hymn 212)

Abbey

*(During the last stanza of the psalm, children and young people are invited to come forward, gathering around the Baptismal Font for the Lesson for Young Christians.)*

LESSON FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Dr. Springsted

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH WORSHIP

*Children’s Worship – Children preschool through 3rd grade may exit to the Phillips Lounge*

*Youth Worship – Young people 4th grade to 8th grade may exit to the Dana Chapel.*

*The Children & Youth return to the Sanctuary at the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.*

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 10:8b-13  
*(nrsv, page 150 NT)*

David A. Kling

GRADUAL (11:15 am) May the Words of My Mouth

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)*

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:1-13  
*(nrsv, page 57 NT)*

Mr. Smothers

SERMON

***“If Not by Bread Alone, Then How?”***

Dr. Springsted

\*HYMN (11:15 am)

O Love, How Deep

*Puer nobis nascitur*

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high, How pass - ing  
 2. For us bap - tized, for us He bore His ho - ly  
 3. For us to e - vil power be - trayed, Scourged, mocked, in  
 4. For us He rose from death a - gain; For us He  
 5. All glo - ry to our Lord and God For love so  
 thought and fan - ta - sy, That God, the Son of  
 fast and hun - gered sore; For us temp - ta - tions  
 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, He bore the shame - ful  
 went on high to reign; For us he sent the  
 deep, so high, so broad: The Trin - i - ty whom  
 God, should take Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
 sharp He knew, For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
 cross and death, For us gave up His dy - ing breath.  
 Spir - it here To guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
 we a - dore For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

Text: attributed to Thomas à Kempis (1380-1471)  
Translated by Benjamin Webb and John Mason Neale, 1851  
Music: Trier manuscript, 15th Century

\*THE NICENE CREED

Mr. Kling

**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

Dr. Springsted

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Springsted

WORD IN ACTION

*“The Shelter Ministry”*

Elder Vicki Schmelzer

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:15 am)

If Thou Shalt Confess,  
Op. 37, No. 2

Charles Villiers Stanford  
(1852-1924)

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Romans 10:9, 11-13)

\*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.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(The table of our Lord Jesus Christ is open to all who are baptized. Those who do not wish to take Communion are invited to remain seated in prayer. You are asked to join in the responses as indicated.)

INVITATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

“...who forever sing to the glory of your name:”

SANCTUS

*Schubert*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
 might, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of power and might, \_\_\_\_\_ hea - ven and earth are  
 full \_\_\_\_\_ full, \_\_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - sa - na in the  
 high - est. Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

*(Communion Prayer continues) "...therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:"*

ACCLAMATION

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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.**

BREAKING BREAD & SHARING THE CUP

**Pastor:** Gifts of God for the people of God.

**People:** Let us keep the feast.

DISTRIBUTION

*When the pastors take their serving places, please come forward, using the center aisle, beginning with the front row. The white bread is made from wheat; darker bread in the center is gluten-free rice bread. The bronze chalices contain wine; the glass chalices contain grape juice. Hold out your hands, one open palm placed on the other, and bread will be placed in your hand. For rice bread, please take it yourself, exercising care not to touch other pieces. You may eat the bread and move to the cup of wine to drink or dip your bread before eating, or move to the cup of juice and dip your bread, exercising care not to touch the liquid or cup with your fingers. Those unable to come forward will be served in their pews. If not communing, please remain in your pew in prayer.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley (1927) *arr. William L. Dawson (1899-1990)*

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself. Oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself. I must go and stand my trial, I've got to stand it by yourself. Oh, nobody else can stand it for me. I've got to stand it by myself. *(African-American Spiritual)*

**Carol Kechulius, piano**

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.**

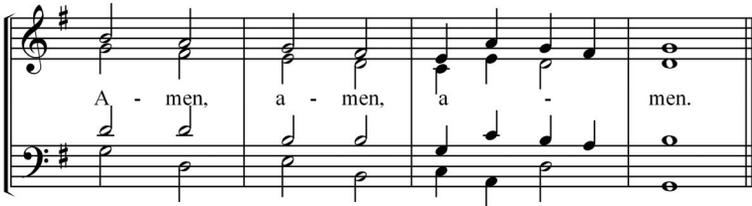
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CLOSING PRAYER

\*HYMN 81 Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days *St. Flavian*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION **Dr. Springsted**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Danish Amen*



\*POSTLUDE Fugue in E minor, "Wedge," BWV 548 *J. S. Bach*

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God  
in loving memory of Timothy J. Connor.

**Welcome!** We're glad you've joined us for worship today. We pray that you experience Christ in our midst, and that his presence will sustain you in the week ahead. We invite you to place your name and contact information on one of the pew pads. If our pastors can assist you in some special way, indicate this in the space provided and they will be in touch with you. If you are considering becoming Christian or looking for a church home, our pastors would be delighted to talk with you about it. We urge you to consider becoming a member of this congregation and hope you will make MAPC your church home in this city.

**Have children?** Children and families are always welcome in the Sanctuary to worship. Children three and under may be taken to the Nursery on the 4th Floor or remain with their parents. The Narthex or the Children's Library, adjacent to the Sanctuary, are also available for families and have speakers that provide audio of the service.

**MAPC 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.

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