

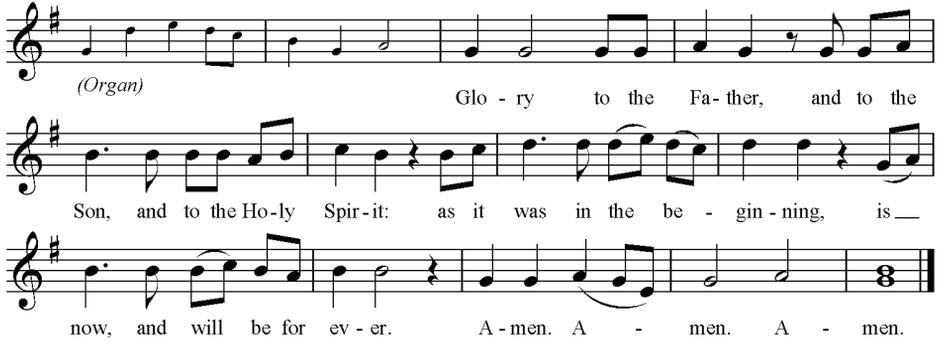
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI

Weaver



(Organ) Glo - ry to the Fa- ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be - gin - ning, is —
now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

*SUMMARY OF THE LAW

*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

Beverly A. Bartlett

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 1:1–2:4a

(nrsv, page 1 OT)

*PSALM 8 (Hymn 162)

Winchester Old

*(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 WORSHIP

*Children preschool through 3rd grade may exit to the Phillips Lounge. The children
return to the Sanctuary at the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.*

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Corinthians 13:11-13
(nrsv, page 175 NT)

Mr. Smothers

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 28:16-20
(nrsv, page 32 NT)

Dr. Springsted

SERMON

"Knowing the Unknown God"

Dr. Springsted

*HYMN

Go Make of All Disciples

Ellacombe



1. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" We hear the call, O Lord, That
2. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" Bap - tiz - ing in the name Of
3. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" We at your feet would stay Un -
4. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" We wel - come your com - mand; "Lo,



comes from you, our Fa - ther, In your e - ter - nal Word. In -
 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it— From age to age the same. We
 til each life's vo - ca - tion Ac - cents your ho - ly way. We
 I am with you al - ways:" We take your guid - ing hand. The



spire our ways of learn - ing Through earn - est, fer - vent prayer, And
 call each new dis - ci - ple To fol - low you, O Lord, Re -
 cul - ti - vate the na - ture God plants in ev - 'ry heart, Re -
 task looms large be - fore us— We fol - low with - out fear. In



let our dai - ly liv - ing Re - veal you ev - 'ry - where.
 deem - ing soul and bod - y By wa - ter and the Word.
 veal - ing in our wit - ness The Mas - ter Teach - er's art.
 heav'n and earth your pow - er Shall bring God's king - dom here.

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 Music: *Wirtemberg Hofkapelle Gesanbuch*, 1784

*THE NICENE CREED

Mr. Smothers

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

Ms. Bartlett

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

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hymn to the Trinity *Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky*
(1840-1893)

Blessed angel spirits offer praise undying, Ever crying ‘Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth.’ Saints and Martyrs praise Thy Name, Trinity life-giving, Earthborne sorrow leaving Before Thy throne.

Father omnipotent, mighty in glory, Christ Thy Son, our Savior, Who died that we might live, Holy Spirit, mystic dove, dwelling with us evermore, We praise Thee, Blessed Trinity.

With the Angels’ sacred hymn, All Thy might proclaiming, With the mystic cherubim In songs of praise we join. ‘Holy, Holy, Holy,’ Join we all in songs of praise forever; Hallelujah, Lord God of Sabaoth.

– from the *Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom*,
adapted by *Reginald Heber* (1783-1826)

*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

Weaver

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are
full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed, bless - ed is
He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(Communion Prayer continues) “... 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

Ave Verum Corpus, Op. 1, No. 2

Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine. Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine. O clemens, O pie, O dulcis Jesu, Fili Mariae.

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, which in anguish to redeem us suffered upon the cross, from whose side, when pierced, there came forth both water and blood. Be to us at our last hour the source of consolation. O loving, O holy, O Jesus, son of Mary.

– Sequence Hymn for the Feast of Corpus Christi (14th Century)

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al-le-lu-ia!

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CLOSING PRAYER

*HYMN 460

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Grosser Gott

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Springsted

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Weaver



*POSTLUDE

Präludium und Fugue in F, LubWV 8

Vincent Lübeck
(1654-1740)

*The flowers in the chancel
are given to the glory of God in loving memory of
Jane Stellwagen Polk.*

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.

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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