



# Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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## Memorial Sunday

November 5, 2017 at 11:15 am

### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### Word and Sacrament

*Please silence your cellular telephones and other electronic devices.*

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

#### Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

#### PRELUDE

Requiem Aeternam I

*Herbert Howells*

(from *Requiem*, 1936)

(1892-1983)

Requiem aeternam dona eis,  
Domine, Et lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine on them.*

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Eric O. Springsted**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**People: God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: Blessed are the poor in spirit,

**People: For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

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

**People: Let us worship God.**

\*Let all who are able stand.

\*HYMN 451

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

**Andrew D. Smothers**

**Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.**

*(Silence for personal confession)*

#### LORD, HAVE MERCY

*James MacMillan*



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



Christ — have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy, Lord 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

*Victory*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Lord, by Your wounds on Cal - va - ry From death's dread

sting Your ser - vants free, That we may live e -

ter - nal - ly. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin, c. 1695, Trans. Francis Pott, 1861  
Music: G.P. da Palestrina, 1591

## \*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

**Christina A. Cosby**

## FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

*(nrsv, page 235 NT)*

## PSALM 34 (Hymn 187)

*Refrain: Robert E. Kreutz*

*Please remain seated and join the choir in singing the refrain.*

**Helen Karloski, cantor**

*(Following the final psalm refrain, children and young people are invited to come forward, gathering around the Baptismal Font for the Lesson for Young Christians.)*

## LESSON FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORSHIP

**Dr. Springsted**

*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

I John 3:1-3

**Mr. Smothers**

*(nrsv, page 225 NT)*

GRADUAL

Andrew Henderson

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Give me understanding that I may live. (Psalm 119:105, 107b)

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 23:1-12  
(nrsv, page 24 NT)

Beverly A. Bartlett

SERMON

*“The Greatest Is a Servant”*

Dr. Springsted

ANTHEM

Psalm 121  
(from *Requiem*)

Howells

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help. My help cometh even from the Lord: who made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: and he that keepeth thee will not sleep. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord himself is thy keeper: he is thy defence upon thy right hand; So that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in: from this time forth and for evermore. (Psalm 121)

**Tommy Wazelle; tenor; Rod Gomez, baritone**

\*THE NICENE CREED

Ms. Bartlett

**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

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

From *Requiem*

Howells

I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, write, from henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit: For they rest from their labors. (Revelation 14:13)

**Katherine Wessinger, soprano; Tommy Wazelle, tenor  
Rod Gomez, baritone**

\*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

*MacMillan*

*(Organ)* Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly  
 Lord, God of power and might. Heav'n and  
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bles - sed is he, O bles - sed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

ACCLAMATION

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

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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## AN ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

David G. Buttrick  
\*Joan H. Collier†  
Joseph and Martha Dietrich  
Shirley Lou Miller Eastman  
Patricia Downey Gibbons  
Jerrey F. Glotfelty  
Tilde Gottscho  
\*Frederick Hanzalek  
The Rev. Earl Holkeboer  
\*Ruth S. Jervis  
Edwin Liden  
\*Allison Bailey MacEachron  
\* MAPC Member

\*Josephine N. McFadden†  
Lynn MacGregor  
\*Gloria Muller  
Jane S. Polk  
Jane Robb  
Claire Rubin  
\*Janet Saint Germain†  
Maureen Shane  
Joan Stiles  
\*Ruby E. Taylor  
Robert Thompson, MD  
\*Dr. Walter A. Wichern, Jr.

† Member of the MAPC Legacy Society

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### 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.*

### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

*Once you have communed, you may return to your pew, or you may join one of the pastors in the side transepts for anointing, laying on of hands and prayers for yourself or for another. Thereafter you may return to your pew.*

### COMMUNION ANTHEM

Requiem Aeternam II  
(from *Requiem*)

*Howells*

Requiem aeternam dona eis,  
Domine, Et lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine on them.*

### CONGREGATIONAL SONG



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## CLOSING PRAYER

\*HYMN 526

For All the Saints  
(Stanzas 1-4)

*Sine Nomine; Descant:*  
*Christopher Robinson*  
(b. 1936)

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**Dr. Springsted**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Weaver*



\*POSTLUDE

Placare Christe servulis  
(From *Le Tombeau de Titelouze*, Op. 38, No. 16)

*Marcel Dupré*  
(1886-1971)

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**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.

#### Pastoral Staff

**The Rev. Dr. Eric O. Springsted**, *Interim Pastor*

**The Rev. Beverly A. Bartlett**, *Associate Pastor*

**The Rev. Andrew D. Smothers**, *Interim Associate Pastor*

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