



# Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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## First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2018 at 9 and 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, 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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### PRELUDE

Adagio e Dolce

Johann Sebastian Bach

(from *Trio Sonata No. 3*, BWV 527)

(1685-1750)

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**People: Slow to anger and abounding in love.**

Pastor: God's promise is for all generations;

**People: God's covenant is with every living thing.**

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*)

Dr. Springsted

**God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

*(Silence for personal confession)*

#### LORD, HAVE MERCY (*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

*Coe Fen*



O for a thou - sand tongues to sing My dear Re - deem - er's praise,



The glo - ries of my God and King, The tri - umphs of \_\_\_ God's grace!



Christ breaks the power of reign - ing sin, And sets the pris - oner free; \_\_\_



Christ's blood can make the sin - ful clean, Christ's blood a - vailed for me.

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### \*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 make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.  
Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.  
Honor your father and mother.  
You shall not murder.  
You shall not commit adultery.  
You shall not steal.  
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
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

**Elder Nicki Christin (9 am)**

**Elder Natalie Pennington (11:15am)**

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 9:8-17

*(nrsv, page 7 OT)*

### \*PSALM 25 (Hymn 178)

*Genevan 25*

*(During the last verse 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 &  
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

1 Peter 3:18-22  
(*nrsv, page 220 NT*)

Ms. Christin (9 am)  
Ms. Pennington (11:15 am)

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

Mark 1:9-15  
(*nrsv, page 33 NT*)

Dr. Springsted

SERMON

**"What Would Life Be Without Temptation?"**

Dr. Springsted

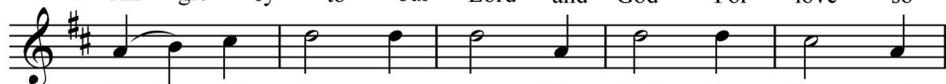
\*HYMN (11:15 am)

O Love, How Deep

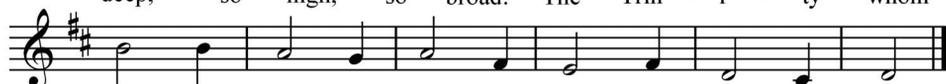
*Puer nobis nascitur*



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

**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.

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

## PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley *arr. Kenneth Dake*  
(b. 1961)

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. You must go and stand your trial. You have to stand it by yourself. Oh, nobody else can stand it for you. You have to stand it by yourself. *(African-American Spiritual)*

**Desirée Baxter, alto**

### \*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.**

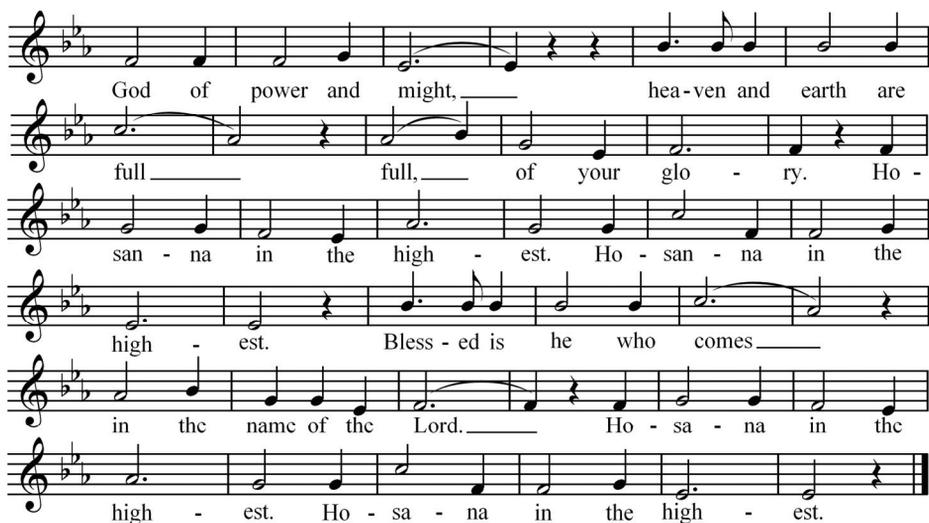
### COMMUNION PRAYER

*"...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) "... 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.**

**FRACTION ANTHEM**

*Schubert*



Je-sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on \_\_\_\_\_ us. \_\_\_\_\_ Je - sus, bear - er  
 of our sins: have mer - cy on \_\_\_\_\_ us. \_\_\_\_\_ Je - sus, re - deem - er, re -  
 deem - er of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

**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.*

**MOTET**

**Call to Remembrance**

*Richard Farrant  
 (c. 1525-1580)*

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and thy loving kindness which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness. *(Psalm 25:5-6)*

CONGREGATIONAL SONG (11:15 am)

**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.**

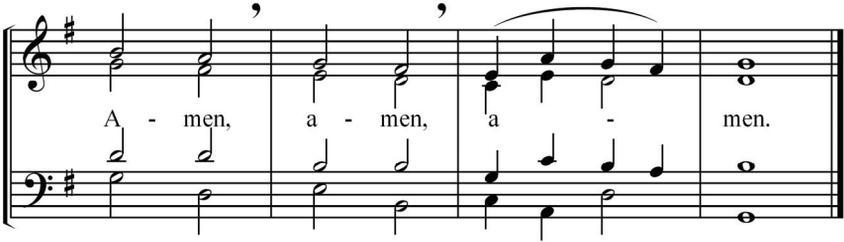
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CLOSING PRAYER

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

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Danish*



\*POSTLUDE “Cathedral” Prelude & Fugue in E minor, *Bach*  
BWV 533

**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**  
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