



New York Avenue
Presbyterian Church

April 7, 2024

10 am



EASTER TIDE



Things to Know During Worship

When **bulletins are waved** during worship, it is a sign of appreciation for music or other contributions. This tradition was first learned and celebrated from our partner church in Cuba, First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana.

If there is an **asterisk (*) printed** next to an item, we are inviting you to please rise in body and or spirit.

Restrooms

All-gender restrooms are located through the double red doors next to the large golden eagle.

Children Information

Children are welcome, including all their excitement and noises. There is **dedicated children's space** in the back of the sanctuary with supplies and space for kids to wiggle. At each sanctuary entrance, there are brightly colored **worship kits** that children may borrow and use through worship at their seats. During worship, there is a **children's moment** when children are invited forward. Afterwards, children ages 3 through 3rd grade are invited to go to **Worship Play**, returning after the sermon. Our **nursery** is available through worship on the 3rd floor for families with kids up to 4 years old.

Accessibility

An **accessible entrance** is located on the ground floor on the New York Ave side of the building, which also provides access to an **elevator** serving all floors.

Assisted Listening Devices are provided at the rear of the sanctuary. This system includes a compact wireless receiver and headphones. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a t-coil, you can connect it to the receiver using an adapter. If you need any help with this, please don't hesitate to ask one of our ushers.

Language for God

At NYAPC, we strive to use **inclusive and expansive language for God**. While many traditional prayers and hymns use gender-specific language for God, we seek to embrace the many reflections of our Creator found through scripture. In doing so, we embody what it means to be the body of Christ.

Get Involved

To subscribe to our **weekly email**, learn about **volunteer opportunities**, send in **prayer requests**, and more, by visiting nyapc.org/info.

Upcoming Events

Learn more about upcoming events by visiting nyapc.org/events.

A New Kind of Christianity With Brian McLaren | April 10 at 7 pm

New Member Class | April 21 at 11:30 am

Worship Listening & Noticing Discussion | April 28 at 11:30 am

Young Adult Gathering | April 28 at 6 pm

You Belong Here.

From where you are now to where you are going,
From the beliefs you carry to the doubts you know,
From where you sleep to the place you call home,
From whom you love to how you identify,
You are seen, known, and loved by God and all parts of you are celebrated here.



Prelude

Interlude
Christopher Uehlein

Words of Welcome

*The Lincoln Chimes

**Please rise in body and or spirit*

Our tradition is to stand when the Westminster chimes play at the beginning of each service. The bells in the church tower were given by the Robert Lincoln family in memory of President Lincoln, who regularly worshiped here. To learn about our congregation's heritage, our building, and our current ministry and missions, meet a greeter at the Lincoln pew immediately following the service.

*Call to Worship

From from the Mennonite Church Canada

One: We are here today because Mary once said:

All: "I have seen the Lord!"

One: We are here because Jesus still comes into our locked spaces and says:

All: "Peace be with you. Receive the Holy Spirit."

One: We are here today like Thomas, who finally cried:

All: "My Lord and my God."

One: We are here like Peter, tempted to forget the call of Jesus:

All: "I'm going fishing."

One: We're here because of Jesus, who asks us face-to-face:

All: "Do you truly love me?"

One: We gather here to whisper timidly.

All: "Yes, Lord, you know that we love you."

One: We are here as a congregation only because many faithful disciples have listened to Jesus' words:

All: "Do not be afraid! Go and tell, 'Jesus has been raised!'"

One: Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn

Christ Is Alive! (vs. 1-3,5)

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1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

2. Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching every place and time.

3. In every insult, rift, and war
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.

5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession

Rev-o-lution Resources by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell

One: We bring our whole human selves to God - our goodness, our faults, and our struggles.
Let us come to God in honesty and hope, trusting in God's unending love and grace.
Let us pray:

All: Holy One, we know You desire us to seek You with all our hearts. We confess the times we have misunderstood that doubt is part of faith. We confess the times we have discouraged others from questioning what they've been taught. Help us to embrace the challenges and to journey together through the struggles, living with the mystery that is faith, for You are both known and unknowable, seen and unseen, Creator of the universe and also within our heart. Help us, O God, to embrace doubt as a part of faith. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

All: We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

Please share signs of Christ's peace with your neighbor.

***Response of Praise**

Aleluya, Aleluya

#589

English translation: Alleluia, alleluia! Now the Lord is risen indeed.

Aleluya, aleluya.

Aleluya, aleluya.

Aleluya, aleluya.

El Señor resucitó.

Prayer for Illumination

Written by Stephen M. Fearing

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 150

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Time with Children

Children of all ages are invited to come forward.

Second Scripture Lesson

John 20:19-31

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Easter Tide: Week One"

Rev. Rachel Pacheco, Associate Pastor

*Hymn

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

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1. Christ has risen while earth slumbers;

Christ has risen where hope died,
as he said and as he promised,
as we doubted and denied.

Let the moon embrace the blessing;
let the sun sustain the cheer;
let the world confirm the rumor:
Christ is risen, God is here!

2. Christ has risen for the people
whom he died to love and save;
Christ has risen for the women
bringing flowers to grace his grave.
Christ has risen for disciples
huddled in an upstairs room.
He whose word inspired creation
can't be silenced by the tomb.

3. Christ has risen and for ever
lives to challenge and to change
all whose lives are messed or mangled,
all who find religion strange.
Christ is risen, Christ is present
making us what he has been:
evidence of transformation
in which God is known and seen.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

To our guests: We want you to feel comfortable and under no obligation to contribute financially during the offering. Your presence is a gift, and we are glad to have you join us in worship! If you feel moved to participate in our giving, know that your contributions empower our ministry, outreach programs, and ensure we can continue to serve our community and uphold our mission. You can give via cash or check at the offering or visit nyapc.org/give.

Offertory

Eternal Life

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace
Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon
Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope
Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console; To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love
For it is in giving that we receive
It is in pard'ning that we are pardoned
It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

***Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts!
All: We lift them up to the Lord!
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
One: It is truly right and our greatest joy...
One: ...Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:
**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**
One: Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son...
One: ...Great is the mystery of faith:
All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Alleluia!
One: Gracious God...

The Lord's Prayer

. . . God, our Parent and our Friend, our Mother and . . .

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 & Communion of the People

Please come forward by way of the center aisle, receive a piece of bread and a cup, and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. A server will come to those who cannot come forward.

*Communion Hymn

Let Us Break Bread Together
African-American Spiritual

#525

1. Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)
let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees)
let us drink wine together on our knees. (*Refrain*)

3. Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)
let us praise God together on our knees. (*Refrain*)

Prayer after Communion

*Sending Hymn

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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1. Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
all creation is amazed.
In the desert all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

2. Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,

not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

3. Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation
where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus:
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna everyone!

***Benediction**

Rev-o-lution Resources by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell

One: Where is this Jesus, the one you call Messiah?

All: Christ is Risen! Christ is here among us!

One: I do not see him. I don't believe you.

All: Christ is Risen! Christ is here among us!

One: Let me see his body, his hands and his feet.

All: We are Christ's body; We are Christ's feet.

One: You see the suffering in the world? Where is Jesus now?

All: We are going into the world to be the body of Christ.

One: Let us go together and partner with others.

All: Let us share the Good News!

One: As you go...

All: Alleluia! Amen.

Postlude

Jubilation
James Denton

Worship Team

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson

Associate Pastor: Rev. Rachel Pacheco

Liturgist: Miriam Dewhurst

Music: Dan Stokes, Fritz Aluben

Tech: Andrew Reich, D'Mitre Powell, Rob Neill

This Sunday

8:15 am: Radcliffe Room breakfast

9 am: Sunday School

9:15 am: Prayer group

10 am: Worship

11:30 am: Coffee Fellowship (in the back of the Sanctuary)

Easter Flower Dedications

Given By:

Barbara & Paul Dornan

Cindy & Stuart Dickinson

Heather Ferguson

Jim & Anna Davidson

John & Marilyn O'Brien

John, Stacey, Jacob, & Nori Gagosian

Kenneth Garnes & Bonita Pennino

Mary & Warren Krug

Meg & Doug House

Paul & Gwenn Gebhard

Ruth von Fleckenstein

Scott, Diane, Malcolm, & Philip Douglas

The Clark family

The Neill family

The Reasonover Family

The Ying/Lewis Family

Given By:

Bill & Martha Sykora

David & Bonnie Milam

Jenean McKay

John, Stacey, Jacob, & Nori Gagosian

Meg & Doug House

Melissa Jane Taylor & Aaron Marrs

Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson

Scott, Diane, Malcolm, & Philip Douglas

In Memory Of:

Andrew Dornan, Charles Dornan, & Peter Thompson

Nancy & Hillman Dickinson

Fritz Von Fleckenstein, & in Honor of his wife, Ruth

Don & Helen Davidson; Jay Davenport

Coletta & Mary Jane O'Brien

Dennis Younger

Tiffany, Flossie, Russell, & Sonny Garnes,
Martha & Walter Pennino

Our parents: Elsie & Robert Maddox; Adele & Walter Krug

Ginge Peddle

Penelope & Granville Sewell; Paul Gansevoort Gebhard

Fritz von Fleckenstein

Gail Douglas

Rev. Owen & Lois McGarity

Meg & Rob's parents: Robert & Martha Jo McCully;
Anne & the Rev. Robert A. Neill

Harry & Betty Schenkel; Robert & Nina Wells; Frank Le

John & Margaret Ying, Shou-Huei Sheard,
Man-Mei Nadine Su

In Honor Of:

Our children & grandchildren

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Joe Thierry, Will Timmons, D'Mitre Powell, Andrew Reich,
Jorn White, & Rob Neill

Lindsey Younger, Jan Gagosian, & Jack & Gail Gagosian

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