

# The Riverside Church

in the City of New York

SABBATH AS...



REMEMBERING

RELATIONSHIP

RENEWAL

REFOCUSING

RESTORATION

RADICAL WITNESS

JUNE 3, 2018  
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# WELCOME TO THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH

Interdenominational · Interracial · International · Open · Affirming · Welcoming

## Remember the Sabbath...

*For the next six weeks in worship we will be exploring Sabbath and the results of Sabbath keeping: remembering, relationship, renewal, refocusing, restoration and radical witness. Each week you will find traditional and contemporary wisdom around the gift of Sabbath and its multi-faceted impact on the lives of God's children.*

*We also invite you to participate in a Sabbath Practice each week that will enrich your experience and culminate in a Shabbat meal with our Jewish siblings, sisters, and brothers on Friday, July 6 in Assembly Hall.*

*For more information on the Shabbat meal and the Sabbath series visit [www.trcnyc.org/sabbath](http://www.trcnyc.org/sabbath).*

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“Sabbath is much more than doing nothing. We are enjoined this day to remember, recall, recollect, and re-create. We are not simply to remember that we ought to keep the Sabbath, but we are to remember who God is – active and loving, resourceful beyond our actions and resources. We are to remember who we are – gifted, sustained and blessed beyond our striving and achieving.”

- Bishop Will Willimon

### Sabbath Practice

Find a candle that holds some beauty or meaning for you. When you have set aside some time – before a meal, or during prayer, meditation, or quiet reading – set the candle before you, say a simple prayer of blessing for yourself or someone you love, and light the candle. Take a few mindful breaths. For just this moment, let the hurry of the world fall away.

- from **Sabbath** by Wayne Muller

*The Riverside Church is grateful for the assistance of Rabbi Mike Moskowitz, whose thoughtful consultation allows us to honor our shared traditions and enhance the communal work of God in the world.*

## GATHERING

We gather as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God

### CARILLON

Meditation: Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. B. Buchanan

Dionisio Lind, Carillonneur

### ORGAN

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

Spiritual, arr. Adolphus Hailstork

### LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Michael Livingston

### ✚CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

One: This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**All: This is a day for peace and proclamation, for rest and reflection, for worship and restoration.**

One: The sabbath day is a holy day, consecrated by the Creator as a gift to creation. We are commanded to honor and preserve it.

**All: The sabbath day is a holy day, wherein we realize that all days are God's days; a day of rest, wherein we realize that all work is God's work; a day of peace wherein we can realize that God is our maker and our mender, too.**

One: Together, let us keep the sabbath.

### ✚PROCESSIONAL HYMN 214

O Come and Sing Unto the Lord

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### SABBATH RITUAL

Psalm 95

Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper & Rabbi Mike Moskowitz

### SHALOM ALEICHEM<sup>2</sup>

Samuel Goldfarb



1. Sha - lom a-lei-chem mal-a-chei ha- sha - reit, mal-a-chei El -  
4. Tzeit-chem l'-sha-lom mal-a-chei ha- sha - lom,



yon, mi - me-lech mal - chei ham' la - chim, ha -



ka-dosh ba- ruch Hu.

(cantor - verses 2 & 3)

*Peace be to you, O ministering angels, {Enter in peace, Bless me with peace, Depart in peace,}  
O messengers of the Most High, the supreme Ruler of rulers, the Holy One, blessed is God.*

✚All who are able, please stand

## LISTENING

*We listen for the word of God through song, Scripture, and preaching*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>3</sup>

Minister Charlene Wingate

**Lord of the Sabbath, hear our prayer.**

**It is hard for us to stop working,**

**and harder still to stop worshipping work.**

**We confess that our busyness often substitutes for our holiness.**

**Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be still enough to know you.**

**Help us to understand that your sabbath**

**is the seam between the world of work and our worship.**

**Help us to know that the sabbath is what keeps us from unraveling,**

**that it knits up the harried and makes them holy,**

**that it even helps to heal creation.**

**In this quiet, peaceful time, we honor you, we rest in you,**

**we long to know you as maker and mender.**

**Through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you**

**and the Holy Spirit, one God.**

**Hear now the confessions of our hearts. (*silent prayer*) Amen.**

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

#### ✦PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

*Shalom is a greeting of hello, goodbye, and peace. It literally means whole and complete, a peaceful state.*

### HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Susan Wersan

Exodus 20:8-11

*(page 66 in the Old Testament)*

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

#### ✦HYMN

Dear Lord, Creator, Good and Kind

*Rest*

**Dear Lord, Creator, good and kind,**

**Forgive our foolish ways;**

**Reclothe us in our rightful mind,**

**In purer lives Thy service find,**

**In deeper reverence, praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,**

**Beside the Syrian sea,**

**The gracious calling of the Lord,**

✦*All who are able, please stand*

Let us, like them, without a word  
Rise up and follow Thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee,  
O calm of hills above,  
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
The silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love!

Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm!

#### †GOSPEL LESSON

Dr. Hsien-Yu Wang

Mark 2:23-3:6

*(page 36 in the New Testament)*

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON

Rev. Jim Keat

Sabbath as Remembering

#### RESPONDING

*We respond to the hearing of God's word through confession, offering,  
passing the peace, and monthly communion*

#### SILENT MEDITATION

#### INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

Farley Lord

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Psalm 46

*John Weaver*

The Lord of Hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved and though the mountains be tumbled into the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble at its tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; God shall help her at the break of day. The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away. Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, what

†*All who are able, please stand*

awesome things God has done on earth. It is God who makes wars to cease in all the world; God breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth." The Lord of Hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Alleluia!

*Jessica Marsten, soprano*

## † AT THE PRESENTATION: THE DOXOLOGY

*The congregation rises row by row as ushers pass to symbolize the offering of our whole selves to God.*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, you heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## † PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

Farley Lord

*Today we celebrate the work of the Spiritual Life Retreat ministry, which provides an opportunity for spiritual formation and fellowship in a retreat setting. 26 members of our church are currently on retreat this weekend at Holy Cross Monastery.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Riverside Pastoral Staff

*Following each petition, please join in the following responses:*

One: Lord, in your mercy,  
**All: Hear our prayer.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Pray in the language or version of your heart.*

**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.  
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.**

## CHORAL AMEN

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

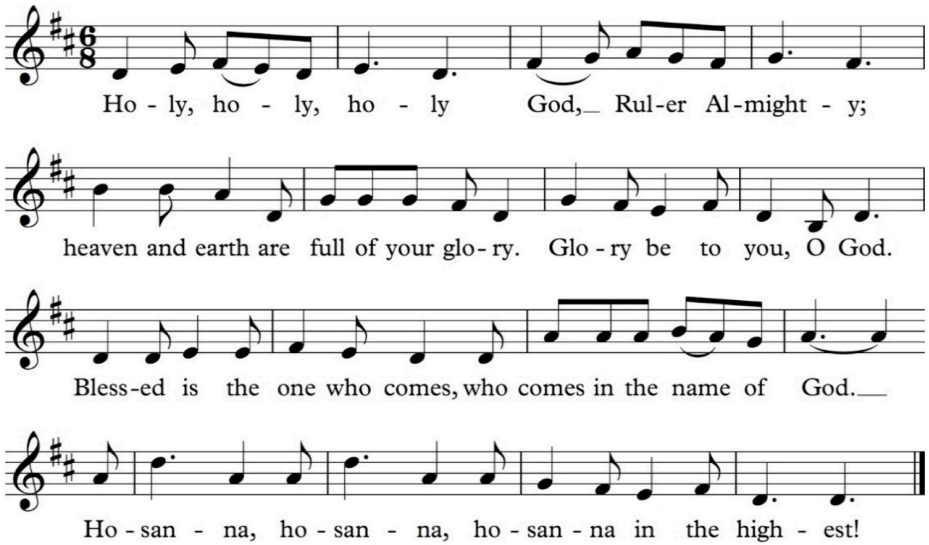
Rev. Livingston

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.  
**All: And with your spirit.**  
One: Lift up your hearts.  
**All: We lift them up unto the Lord.**  
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

† *All who are able, please stand*

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God, Rul-er Al-might - y;  
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Glo - ry be to you, O God.  
Bless-ed is the one who comes, who comes in the name of God. —  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

## CALL TO SUPPER

One: The body of Christ, broken for you.

**All: Thanks be to God for the bread of life!**

One: The blood of Christ, poured out for you.

**All: Thanks be to God for the cup of blessing!**

A gluten-free option for communion bread is available upon request from a communion server.

## MUSIC AT COMMUNION

### ORGAN

Antiphon III  
Adoro te Devote

*Marcel Dupré*  
*Victor Togni*

## CHOIR

Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One

*Healey Willan*

Rise up my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear upon the earth. The time of singing of birds is come. Arise my love, my fair one, and come away. (Song of Solomon)

## HYMN 507

I Come with Joy

*Dove of Peace*

## †PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Rev. Keat

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your love, to give ourselves for others. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

## SENDING

*We are sent out into the world to love God and our neighbors*

## †BENEDICTION

## †RECESSIONAL HYMN 411

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

*Festal Song*

## POSTLUDE

March in D

*Alexandre Guilmant*

Liturgical Resources for Today:

<sup>1</sup>*The Center for Christian Ethics at Baylor University*

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*Special thanks to our congregational leaders:*

*Susan Wersan & Santiago Soto, crucifer*

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## LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY

**For announcements of programs and events** in the church, please pick up the *Life of Our Community* bulletin located in the back of the pew or outside the Welcome Center. Or visit our website [www.trcnyc.org](http://www.trcnyc.org).



## THE LITURGICAL YEAR

The Riverside Church follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together. We are currently in the season after Pentecost. Today is Communion Sunday and the liturgical color is white, which symbolizes the hope of the resurrection, as well as purity and completeness, as signified by the paraments and clergy stoles.

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**Healing Prayer**, typically offered the first Sunday of every month immediately following Worship, is available today. One of Riverside's ministers will be at the front of the Nave to pray for anyone who desires it.

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## IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST VISIT:

**Complete a Welcome Card** and place it in the offering plate as it passes.

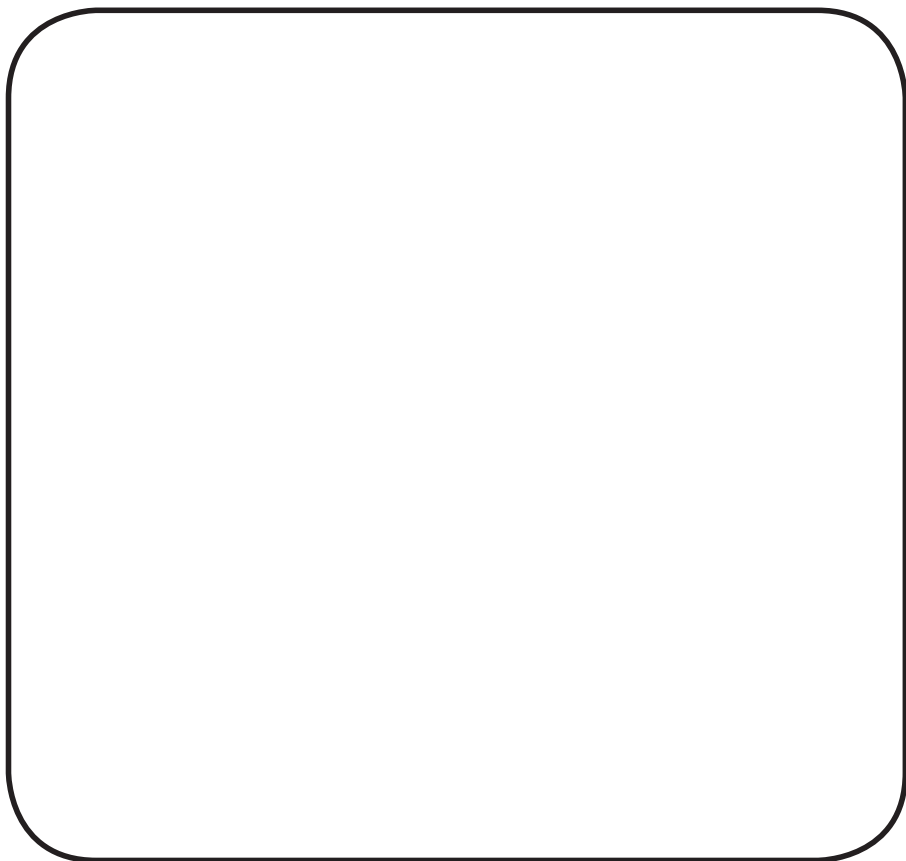
**Join us for Fellowship Hour** in South Hall Lobby directly after Worship. As you leave the Nave, take a right and follow the hallway past Christ Chapel. Signs and greeters are available to provide direction. You'll find fair trade coffee from Javesca Coffee, a children's play area, a greeting area to learn about membership at Riverside, and indoor seating.

**A church tour** is offered each Sunday after Worship free of charge. Meet in the 1st balcony. Tours also take place on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. leaving from the Gift Shop. No reservations are necessary.

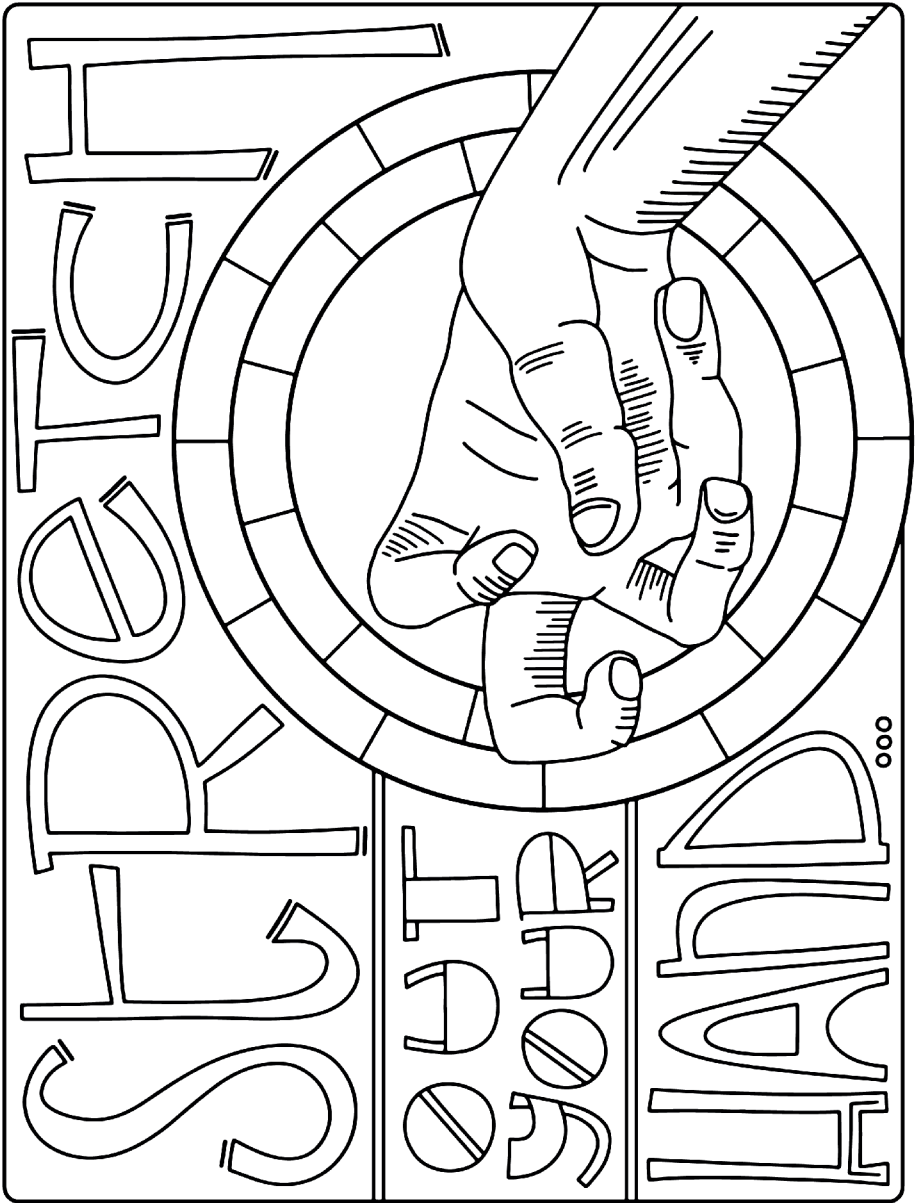
**Assistive hearing devices and large print bulletins** are available upon request from an usher.



# DRAW IT



Jesus loved to heal people. In Mark 2, he heals a man who had an injured hand. Some of the church leaders were angry because Jesus did this on the sabbath – a day that was supposed to be for rest. But Jesus believed some rules are worth breaking if it means doing something loving. Showing love toward others makes God even more happy than following the sabbath rule. **Draw Jesus healing the man's hand.** Have there ever been times in your life when you "broke a rule" to do the truly right thing?



Mark 2:23-3:6

## TALK WITH THE PREACHER

Read Pastor Amy's blog online at [talkwiththepreacher.org](http://talkwiththepreacher.org).

Printed copies are also available in the Welcome Center/Gift Shop.

Pastor Amy is available for conversations with members by appointment.

Please email [srminister@trcnyc.org](mailto:srminister@trcnyc.org) or call 212-870-6775 to arrange an appointment.

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