

The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



For Every Heart a Home

**April 28th, 2024 at 10:30am
5th Sunday of Easter**

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Liturgist: Tim Patryk

Cantor: Cathy Coppolino

Coffee Hour Hosts: Ellie Sturrock

Welcome to worship! If you are visiting or here for the first time and would like to stay in touch with us, please consider filling in one of the contact cards that you will find alongside the hymnals or you can use this QR code. These can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. Church School for children happens during our worship service. Ask one of the ushers for directions if you would like to take your child through to join in. Please join us for coffee hour in the Church House after the service.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgist

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Leader: God calls us to meet him

All: And so we gather

Leader: God sees us as we are

All: And so we open ourselves in trust

Leader: God offers us the covenant of love

All: And so we respond in praise

* Hymn

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers (see over)

Prayer of Approach to God and Confession

Liturgist

Kyrie Eleison

Martin sings:

Kyrie Eleison

Congregation & Cantor:

Kyrie Eleison

Martin sings:

Christe Eleison

Congregation & Cantor:

Christe Eleison

Martin sings:

Kyrie Eleison

Congregation & Cantor:

Kyrie Eleison

Declaration of Forgiveness

Liturgist

Choir Anthem:

All Good Gifts, from Godspell




Christ the True Vine, painted by Leos Voskos (Greek, 19th century)

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers


HYFRYDOL

Soprano
Alto




Christ has ri - sen while earth slum - bers Christ has_
Christ has ri - sen for the peo - ple whom he
Christ has ri - sen to com - pan - ion for - mer
Christ has ri - sen and for - e - ver lives to


Tenor
Bass




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ri - sen where hope died. as he said and as he
died, through love to save; Christ has ri - sen for the
friends who feared the night, sen - sing loss and lim - i -
chal - lenge and to change all whose lives are messed or



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pro - mised as we doubt - ed and de - nied. Let the
wo - men bring - ing flo - wers to his grave. Christ has
ta - tion where their faith had once burned bright. They be -
man - gled, all who find re - lig - ion strange. Christ is



moon embrace the blessing let the sun sustain the cheer,
 ri - sen for dis - ci - ples huddled in an up - stairs room.
 moan what is no lon - ger, they sus - pect no hope - ful sign
 ri - sen, Christ is pre - sent ma - king us what he has been:

let the world con - firm the ru - mor,
 He whose word in - spired cre - a - tion
 till Christ ends their con - sa - tion,
 e - vi - dence of trans - for - ma - tion

Christ is ri - sen! God is here!
 can't be si - lenced by the tomb.
 break - ing bread and sha - ring wine.
 through which God is known and seen.

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? or his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

***Hymn** (Psalm 22)

Amid the Thronging Worshipers (see over)

221 Amid the Thronging Worshipers

C Am G C G

1 A - mid the throng-ing wor-ship - ers the Lord, our God, I bless;
 2 The bur - den of the sor - row - ful the Lord will not de - spise;
 3 He feeds with good the hum - ble soul and sat - is - fies the meek,

C Am G C F C/G G C

be - fore his peo - ple gath - ered here his name will I con - fess.
 he has not turned from those who mourn, he lis - tens to their cries.
 and they shall live and praise the Lord who for his mer - cy seek.

F C G C Am G/D D7 G

Come, praise him, all who fear the Lord, the chil - dren of his grace;
 His good - ness makes me join the throng where saints his praise pro - claim,
 The ends of all the earth will hear, the na - tions seek the Lord;

C F/C C F C/G G C

with rev - erence sound his glo - ries forth and bow be - fore his face.
 and there will I ful - fill my vows with those who fear his name.
 they wor - ship him, the King of kings, in earth and heaven a - dored.

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

HymnHow Great is Our God*

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty.
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice and trembles at His voice.

*How great is our God! Sing with me.
How great is our God! And all will see how
Great, how great is our God.*

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands.
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The God head, three in one. Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

*How great is our God! Sing with me.
How great is our God! And all will see how
Great, how great is our God.*

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing. How Great is our God!

*How great is our God! Sing with me.
How great is our God! And all will see how
Great, how great is our God.*

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Sharing our Gifts during which we hear Cathy Coppolino sing, *No Outsiders*
by Rend Collective

If you are visiting or would like to make an extra offering on top of your usual contribution to the church, you can use your smart phone to scan this QR code to make a donation by credit card (3% surcharge) or by debit card (no surcharge). Cash and check donations are always acceptable!

GENERAL OFFERING



***Doxology**

Prayer of Dedication

Liturgist

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

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,
The power and the glory, forever. **AMEN**

***Hymn 465** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

Charge, Benediction and Celtic Amen
Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

Postlude

***If you are able, please stand.**

Announcements

Livestreaming of Worship. Today's service is broadcast live online. You can watch the service again later via our website homepage if you wish to. Huge thanks to our entire technical team.

Adventures in Faith. A new series on the theme of "identity" continues this Wednesday May 1st at noon in the church house and again on May 8th, and 15th. Bring along your lunch; drinks and cookies provided. Everyone is welcome.

Cinco de Mayo family friendly celebration on Sunday May 5th at 5:30pm in Jim Henry Hall. Everyone is welcome for a fun evening - \$10 per head, including Mexican dinner. Contact the office to sign up.

PCAT Men's Group. Next meet up for dinner is on Wednesday May 29th at 7pm at Dante's in Leonia. Contact Jim Crook rjamescrook@gmail.com or Martin pastorpcat@gmail.com if you would like to come along. Everyone is welcome.

Do you enjoy coffee hour following worship? Would you consider hosting? It's easy! Just bring in your choice of goodies (cookies, donuts, muffins), some fruit, and juice. That's it! Chris Schwab takes care of all the set up; coffee and tea and milk are all provided. Please help us to continue this social time following worship. Call the church office at (201) 567-0111 if you can help from time to time.

NEW WELCOME TEAM being developed – we would love to have many of you join this new effort to make Sunday mornings even richer.

We are planning a return to a team approach like we had prior to Covid. If you are interested in being a part of this effort, please contact Nancy in the church office, speak with Martin or contact Brian Coats-Thomas via email (cgbrian.thomas@gmail.com). Thank you for thinking about this opportunity – it will not require a significant time commitment but allows you to support what we do every Sunday morning.

Presby Readers next meeting will be on June 2nd at 4:00pm hosted by Viki Shima. We'll be discussing *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. All are welcome!

Regular Groups at PCAT

PCAT provides meeting space for the *Tenafly Morning Glory Group of Alcoholics Anonymous*, which convenes every Saturday morning at 10.30am in Jim Henry Hall. The Open Speaker meeting is OPEN to anyone who believes they may have a problem with alcohol or who is interested in learning more about the AA program of recovery.

Adventures in Faith: Wednesdays at 12noon in the church house. Contact Pastor Martin

PresbyReaders: Meets monthly on Sunday afternoons. Contact Mary Jane Eimer.

Bell Choir: Contact Jim Millar

Choir: Sundays 9am in the chapel. Contact Jim Millar

Church School: Every Sunday 10:30am. Contact Sherrie Reilley

Childcare: Every Sunday at 10:30am. Contact Sherrie Reilley

Cro-Knitters: Tuesdays 2-4pm in the lounge. Contact Mickey Sechrist

English as a Second Language (ESL): Is meeting on Tuesdays at 10am in the church house. Contact Jun Motai

Mommy/Daddy and Me group: Saturday mornings from 9.30-11am. Contact Christina Chan

Women and Men's Groups: meet periodically.



CINCO DE MAYO

(May 5th)

**Dinner and festivities in
Jim Henry Hall
at 5:30pm \$10 per person**

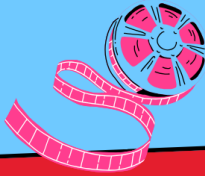
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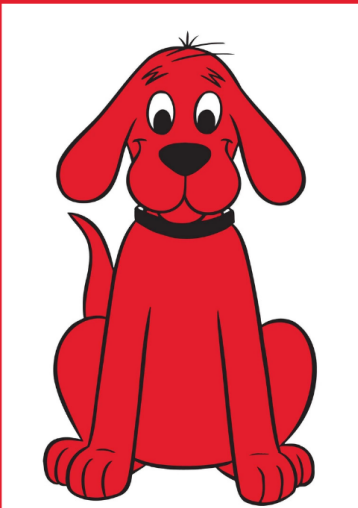
PCAT PRESENTS

FAMILY MOVIE



Night

Ages 3 years to 3rd grade
Must be accompanied by an adult.
Light snacks provided



**CLIFFORD
The Big
Red Dog**

**FREE
ENTRY**

Saturday, May 18TH 4-6PM

RSVP by May 16th (201) 567-0111 or
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— HEBREWS 13:16

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