

The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



For Every Heart a Home

**May 10th, 2026 at 10:30am
6th Sunday of Easter**

Sacrament of Baptism of Remington Rexroth

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Liturgist: Carolyn Rocco

Ushers: Noelle and Howard Bryson

Coffee Hour: Diane Allen

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. Children are welcome to stay in church for the baptism and then go to Church School afterwards. Ask one of the ushers for directions if you would like to take your child through to join in.



Prelude

Welcome, Sharing the Peace and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Call to Worship

***Hymn 301**

Let Us Build a House

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Liturgist

Kyrie Eleison

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Declaration of Forgiveness

Liturgist

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**

Collect for the Day

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Interactive

Blankies

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Introduction to the Baptism

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Baptism Song

Down in the River to Pray

*As I went down to the river to pray studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord show me the way!*
O sisters let's go down let's go down, come on down
O sisters let's go down, down to the river to pray

*As I went down to the river to pray studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord show me the way*
O brothers let's go down let's go down, come on down
O brothers, let's go down, down to the river to pray

*As I went down to the river to pray studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord show me the way*
O fathers let's go down let's go down, come on down
O fathers let's go down, down to the river to pray

*As I went down to the river to pray studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord show me the way*
O mothers let's go down let's go down, come on down
O mothers let's go down, down to the river to pray.

Sacrament of Baptism

Promises

Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. **AMEN**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Martin: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Martin: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Baptism

The Anointing

Blessing Song

May the Lord Bless You

E A maj7 E A maj7 B

May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you, may the Lord

E A E/B E E/B B

make His face to shine up - on you. on you and

A B C#m B A B E

give you peace, and give you peace.

Detailed description: The image shows a musical score for a three-part blessing song. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 3/4. The first line of music has the lyrics 'May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you, may the Lord' with chords E, A maj7, E, A maj7, and B. The second line has the lyrics 'make His face to shine up - on you. on you and' with chords E, A, E/B, E, E/B, and B. The third line has the lyrics 'give you peace, and give you peace.' with chords A, B, C#m, B, A, B, and E. The score includes a repeat sign with first and second endings for the second line.

Welcome and Presentation of Gifts

(children leave for church school)

Reading

John 14:15-21

Liturgist

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

Choir Anthem

Ubi Caritas, by M. Durufle

*Ubi caritas est vera, Deus ibi est
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amore.
Exultemus et in ipso iucundemur.*

Time amus et a memus.

Deum vivum.

Amen

(Where there is charity and love, God is there

We are gathered as one in Christ's love

Let us rejoice, and be glad in that

Let us be in awe of and love the living God)

Sermon

I Will Not Leave You Orphaned

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Sharing our Gifts during which we hear Jim Millar play *Menuet* by M.Ravel

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**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication

Liturgist

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

***Hymn 366**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

***Benediction and Celtic Sung Amen**

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

Postlude

***Those who are able, please stand.**

Announcements

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship at 9:30am in the Chapel with band
Worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary with choir
Baptism of Howie and Cooper Hassard

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.

Blanket Sunday As is our tradition here at PCAT on Mother's Day, please consider making a donation to *Church World Services* Blanket Sunday. Envelopes and brochures for more information are available in the Narthex. Checks can be made payable to PCAT and note in the memo line "blanket". \$10 provides a blanket to someone in need. \$25 a blanket and hygiene kit. \$60 provides for an entire family. Thank you for your generosity!

TODAY - Jazz Vibraphone and Piano concert in the Chapel with Allen Farnham (father of Will!) and Ted Piltzecker on Sunday May 10th at 4:30pm. We know it's Mother's Day! Why not bring along your mom for a tremendous musical treat from these world class jazzers! Have you ever heard jazz vibraphone? It's amazing! Free admission.

Adventures in Faith meets this Wednesday at 12noon in the church house. Bring your lunch; drinks and treats provided.

PCAT Men's Dinner – Save the Date for the next men's dinner Tuesday June 9th at 7pm. Venue TBC. All are welcome - contact Jim Crook or Pastor Martin to sign up.

Jason Hart in concert Sunday May 17th at 4:30pm in the Sanctuary. Our resident pianist will delight once again with a stunning program of piano music from baroque France, the magic of Mozart, the delight of Chopin and a bit of Latin verve to spice things up even further. Don't miss it!!

Sanctuary Space is next up on Thursday May 21st and June 11th, 7-9pm. Introduction to meditation from 7-7:30pm with Jenny Jackson Miller then free time by candlelight with music and quiet until 9pm. Experience the gentle power of sharing in this together.

PCAT Spring Cleaning – Saturday May 23rd from 10am – 12pm. We need helpers to undertake a range of clean-up tasks both inside and outside. Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

PresbyReaders. Our next read is *Theo of Golden: A Novel* by Allen Levi. We will meet Sunday, May 31st at 4:00 p.m. at Carolyn and Al Rocco's home.

Tenafly Pride Saturday June 6th 12-5pm. PCAT will take part with a tent in Huyler Park. We would love to have volunteers to be a friendly and affirming presence that afternoon! Contact Pastor Martin for more information.

Tenafly 5k Sunday June 7th Gillian Iappelli is looking for volunteers to help on the water table from 8:30am on the day of the race.

Celebrating Our Graduates. Do you have someone in your family graduating? We would like to celebrate with you by including them on our grad list. Please send us an email with their name and school by June 5th. Feel free to include a couple sentences about their future plans!

Regular Groups at PCAT

| GROUP | WHEN | CONTACT |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| AA (Morning Glory) | Saturdays 10:30am JHH | Jay McSherry JayMcSherry@earthlink.net |
| Adventures in Faith | Wednesday 12pm Church House | Pastor Martin pastorpcat@gmail.com |
| Bell Choir | Tuesdays 4pm Room 203 | Jim Millar Dirmusic@tenaflypresby.org |
| Choir | Sundays 9am | Jim Millar Dirmusic@tenaflypresby.org |
| Church School and Childcare | Sundays 10:30am | Sherrie Reilley reilleysherrie@gmail.com |
| Cro-Knitters | Tuesdays 2pm-4pm Lounge | Joan Roselle (201) 569-3819 |
| English Second Language (ESL) | Tuesdays 10am-12pm Church House | Jun Motai motaicoaching@gmail.com |
| Mommy/Daddy/and Me | | Christina Chan Shanghai68@gmail.com |
| PresbyReaders | Meets monthly (Sundays at 4pm) | Mary Jane Eimer mjeimer@aol.com |
| Women's Group | | Marilyn Coats-Thomas coathomas@aol.com or Christina Chan Shanghai68@gmail.com |
| Men's Group | | Pastor Martin pastorpcat@gmail.com or Jim Crook rjamescrook@gmail.com |

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FREE ENTRY

SANCTUARY SPACE

Let the pressures of life melt away as you connect with essence in the calm and beautiful candlelit main Sanctuary of the Presbyterian Church at Tenaflly. Open to all faiths and none.

Thursdays, May 21st and June 11th
Free to come and go from 7-9pm

7-7.30pm Meditation with Jenny Jackson Miller
7.30-9pm free time for calm reflection by candlelight with music

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