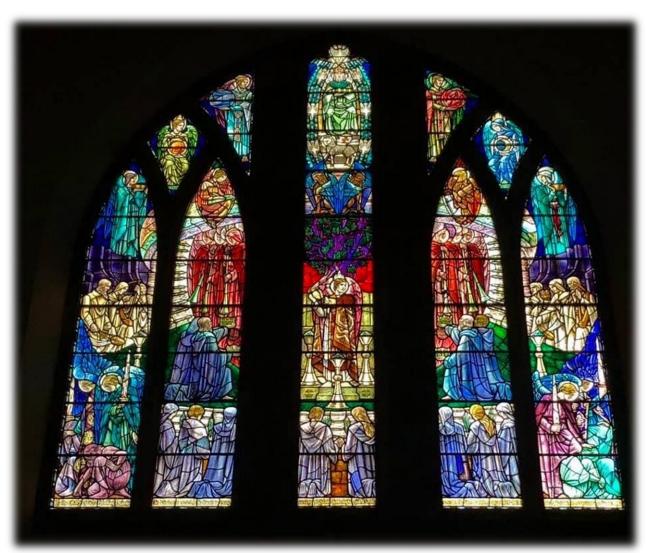
# The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



## For Every Heart a Home

May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10:30am 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie Liturgist: Tim Patryk

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 the 10:30am worship service. Ask one of the ushers for directions if you would like to take your child through to join in.



### **Prelude**

Welcome, Announcements and Sharing the Peace

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

**Call to Worship** 

\* **Hymn 327** From All that Dwell Below the Skies (see page 8-9)

### **Prayer of Approach and Confession**

Unison

God is love and we are God's children. There is no room for fear in love. We love because God loved us first.

Silence . . .

### **Kyrie Eleison**

Martin sings: Kyrie Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor: 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

### **Choir Anthem**

Springs in the Desert, by Arthur Jennings

Say to them that are of a fearful heart, be strong, fear not; behold, our God will come and save you. The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad; and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose. For in the wilderness shall waters breakout, and streams flow in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water. A highway, a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the redeemed shall walk there; and the ransomed of the Lord, shall return with songs and everlasting joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Reading

Revelation 21:10; 21:22-22:5

Liturgist

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the

throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

\*Hymn (Psalm 67) May God be Merciful to Us and Bless Us (see page 10)

Reading John 14:23-29

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur you may believe.

\*Hymn

The Savior Died, But Rose Again (see page 11) (a paraphrase of Romans 8:34 – end)

**Sermon** Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Sharing our Gifts during which we hear What Shall We Pray for Those Who Died

What shall we pray for those who died, those on whose death our lives relied? Silenced by war but not denied, God give them peace. What shall we pray for those who mourn friendship and love, their fruit unborn? Though years have passed, hearts still are torn: God give them peace. What shall we pray for those who live tied to the past they can't forgive, haunted by terrors they relive? God give them peace. What shall we pray for those who know nothing of war, and cannot show grief or regret for friend or foe? God give them peace. What shall we pray for those who fear war, in some guise, may re-appear looking attractive and sincere? God give them peace. God give us peace and, more than this, show us the path where justice is; and let us never be remiss working for peace that lasts.

Words by Carnwadric Parish Church (Glasgow) worship group and John L. Bell.

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!



### **Prayers for Memorial Day**

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

\*Hymn 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (see page 12-13)

Benediction and Celtic Amen

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

**Postlude** 

\*Those who are able, please stand.

### **Announcements**

## NEXT SUNDAY Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary

(on Communion Sunday we invite donations of shelf stable food for the Center for Food Action.)

**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.

**Tenafly Community Choir and Orchestra**. Mark your calendars for their fabulous concert which is NEXT Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in the Sanctuary. Spread the word and help us to gather a big audience to support Jim Millar and our players and singers!

**Adventures in Faith**: *The Song of the Church* series continues on Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup> at 12noon in the Church House. What do we sing in worship and why do we sing it? Come along and find out! Bring your lunch if you like – drinks and treats provided. Our Adventures in Faith program will continue **every Wednesday** at noon through July, taking a break in August.

**Greater Faith Works of Paterson**. Thank you for all of your clothing donations! Be on the lookout for our next effort to assemble backpacks for school children this summer! A big thank you in advance for your generosity and support. Huge thanks to Mary Jane Eimer for delivering the clothes to Paterson this week.

**Tenafly 5K** NEXT Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. The mission team are looking for a couple more volunteers of all ages to help distribute water to the runners and walkers from 8:30am. Please contact Gillian lappelli at g\_iappelli@hotmail.com or Nancy in the office if you can help!

**Tenafly Pride** is taking place on Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm. PCAT are having a table at the fair in Huyler Park, next to Café Angelique to show our affirmation. If you would like to be part of this, please contact Pastor Martin or just swing by to say hello during the afternoon.

Feeding the *InnerChange East Harlem* Participants. Got a casserole that everyone wants the recipe for every time you serve it? Looking for a hands on approach to give back? We are supporting Rev. Chris Lawrence and his work with the InnerChange East Harlem Project and invite your help! Vulnerable and isolated seniors in the Gaylord homes building come together in the summer months on Friday nights beginning in August and ending September 5th for a communal meal, conversation, and a bike ride. Consider preparing a tray that feeds 30-40 people. Rev. Lawrence will pick up the meals so all you have to do is label what you have made and put it in the freezer in Jim Henry Hall. Let Mary Jane know if you are interested: mjeimer@aol.com or text her at (201) 914-7545.

**PCAT Women's Group** We're looking forward to our next get-together at Tommy Fox's 32 South Washington Avenue in Bergenfield at 6pm on Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know if you plan on coming so we can coordinate with the restaurant. If you'd like to invite anyone else along, you can simply respond with your name and how many guests you'll be bringing. Marilyn (201) 888-0402 and Christina (917) 887-0308

**Pentecost Offering.** The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Letters and envelopes are available to pick up in the Narthex. Won't you join in your support on June 8<sup>th</sup> when we take the Pentecost offering? If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

**PresbyReaders** Looking ahead to July 13<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Martin will facilitate a discussion on Izzeldin Abuelaish's, *I Shall Not Hate* at Viki Shima's home at 4pm. Mark your calendars.

### Worship in June

June 1st	Sacrament of the Lord's Supper 10:30am in the Sanctuary
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Day of Pentecost. Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. Children join for the first part then go to church school.
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Intergenerational Worship for Youth Sunday at 10:30am in the Sanctuary Join us to affirm our young people and those who nurture them.
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Music Sunday. Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. Join us to affirm our musicians.
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Summer worship at 10am in the Sanctuary (worship is at 10am through August)

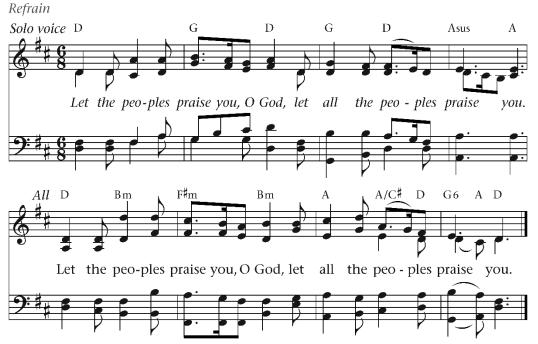
Coffee hour after worship throughout the summer. Volunteer hosts are welcome to sign up; contact the office please.

## 327 From All That Dwell Below the Skies





## 67C Psalm 67 | A Responsorial Setting

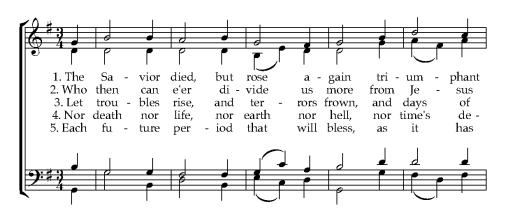


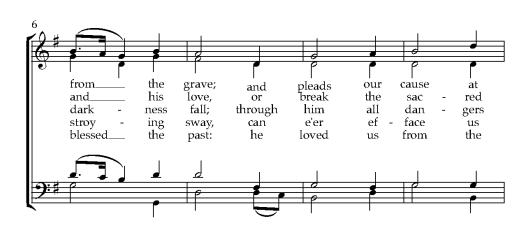
Refrain

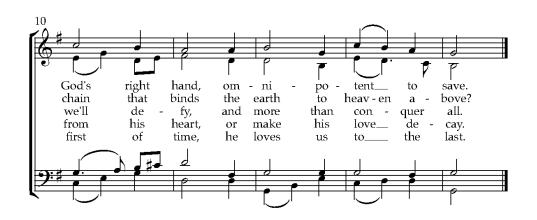
- <sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.
- <sup>2</sup> Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.
- <sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. *Refrain*.
- <sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.
- <sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. *Refrain*
- <sup>6</sup> The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.
- May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe. Refrain

## The Savior Died, But Rose Again

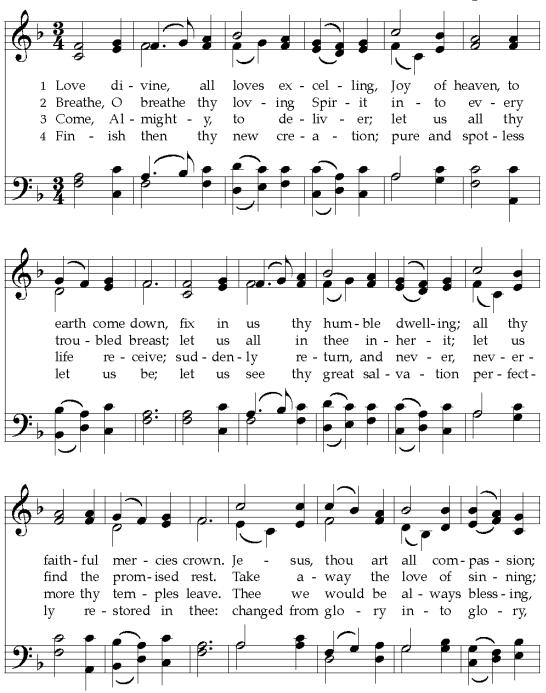
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## **Regular Groups at PCAT**

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AA (Morning Glory)	Saturdays 10:30am	Jay McSherry
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Adventures in Faith	Wednesday 12pm	Pastor Martin
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	Chapel	Dirmusic@tenaflypresby.org
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	Lounge	alanmickey@earthlink.net
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(ESL)	Church House	Motaicoaching@gmail.com
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### Doodle away . . .

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