

The Presbyterian Church at Tenaflly



For Every Heart a Home

**June 1st, 2025 at 10:30am
7th Sunday of Easter
Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie
Liturgist: Jeanne Lambert

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.



All are welcome at the Lord's table. The gluten free bread and grape juice will be served together during the distribution. Please wait to eat and drink together on the Pastor's cue. He will say "the body of Christ", then we eat. "The blood of Christ", and then we drink.

Prelude

Welcome and Sharing the Peace

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Announcements

Call to Worship

***Hymn 401**

Here In This Place

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Unison

**All: 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

Martin sings:

Christe Eleison

Congregation, Choir & Cantor:

Christe Eleison

Martin sings:

Kyrie Eleison

Congregation, Choir & Cantor:

Kyrie Eleison

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

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Reading

Acts 1:1-11

Liturgist

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and teach until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reading

Luke 24:13-35

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Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Choir Anthem

The Road Home, words by Michael Dennis Browne and music adapted by Stephen Paulus from the tune “Prospect”.

Tell me where is the road I can call my own, that I left, that I lost, so long ago? All these years I have wandered, Oh when will I know there's a way, there's a road that will lead me home? Rise up, follow me, Come away is the call, with love in your heart as the only song; there is no such beauty as where you belong, rise up, follow me, I will lead you home. After wind, after rain, when the dark is done, as I wake from a dream in the gold of day, through the air there's a calling from far away, there's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

Sermon

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Sharing our Gifts

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



Dedication Prayer

Liturgist

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The table of bread and wine has been made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who may feel that you have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

***Song** *We Are Coming, Lord, to the Table* (see page 14-15)

The Great Thanksgiving

Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, maker of light and darkness.
Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos, brings a harvest out of sorrow
and leads the exiles home.

In Christ your Son enemies are reconciled, debts forgiven and strangers made welcome.
Your Spirit frees us to live as sons and daughters in our Father's house.

We who by Christ's power follow the way of the Cross, sharing the joy of his obedience,
now offer you our praise, with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Sanctus and Benedictus (sung by all)

Sanctus & Benedictus

John L. Bell

Vigorously!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow-er and might,
Bless-ed, bless - ed bless-ed, bless-ed is the one,

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heav'n and earth are full, are full of your glo ry. Glo-ry to your name, glo-ry
is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho -

7
to your name, glo-ry to your name O Lord most high.
-sa na! Ho - san-na in the high - est!

1.2. 3.

(the congregation sits)

Telling the Story

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father,
for Christ in whom the world is reconciled.
Lifted on the Cross, his suffering and forgiveness

spanned the gulf our sins had made.
Through that dark struggle
death was swallowed up in victory,
that life and light might reign.
Before he was given up to suffering and death,
recalling the night of Israel's release,
the night in which the sons of Egypt died,
your Chosen One, himself the First-Born,
freely offered his life.
At supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:
"Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you."
After supper, he took the cup,
he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying:
"Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all,
that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me."
We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

**(unison) Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit
upon us and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by your life-giving power,
they may be for us spiritual food and drink,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.
Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation,**

**we enter into our heritage in the company of the apostles,
and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters
living and departed.**

Pastor: Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God
Have mercy on us
Jesus bearer of our sins
Have mercy upon us
Jesus redeemer of the world
Grant us your peace.

Sharing the Bread and Wine

(The Elders will serve the bread and wine to you in your seats. Please wait to eat and drink all together)

Prayers of Intercession

Post-Communion Prayer (Unison)

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us
in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace,
and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who
drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep
us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and
the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***Hymn (Psalm 103)** *Praise God My Soul* (see page 16)

Benediction and Celtic Amen

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

Postlude

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

Announcements

NEXT SUNDAY

Day of Pentecost – wear something red!
Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary
Deacons' Strawberry festival follows!

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.

TONIGHT Tenafly Community Choir and Orchestra. Don't miss this fabulous concert at 7pm in the Sanctuary. Come support Jim Millar and his team! Bring a friend!

Adventures in Faith: Our Adventures in Faith program will continue **every Wednesday** at noon through July, taking a break in August. Bring your lunch if you like – drinks and treats provided. This week we'll be watching an interview with Izzeldin Abuelaish, author of *I Shall Not Hate*. (See PresbyReaders announcement).

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 this Wednesday June 4th. 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

Margaret Cooper. There will be a service of thanksgiving for Margaret's life in the Chapel on Thursday June 5th at 11am followed by interment of the ashes of Bob and Margaret in the Memorial Garden and then a lunch in the church house. All who knew and loved Bob and Margaret are warmly invited.

PCAT Men's Group Monday June 23rd at the Englewood Field Club for pickleball and pizza! For the adventurous, Ken Persson has reserved two pickleball courts from 6:15 to 7:30pm for those who would like to try their hand at pickleball before we enjoy pizza and beverages on the terrace. Come play or just come enjoy pizza, drinks and company at 7:30pm. Let Jim Crook (201) 543-7227 or Pastor Martin know if you are coming so that we know how much pizza to order. Guest fee for pickleball is \$12 each. Bring cash for pizza and drinks at the pay bar. (Please note, not BYOB).

Tenafly Pride is taking place on Saturday June 7th 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.

Greater Faith Works of Paterson. A sincere thank you to all of you who donated summer clothing. It took two separate cars to get all the goods to the United Presbyterian Church in Paterson. Our contacts Marcia and Imani were overjoyed with our donations knowing that they will make many families in Paterson happy.

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 8th when we take the Pentecost offering? If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

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

Pledges. Bills still need to be paid in the summer! Consider bringing your pledge up to date before summer travels. Thank you!

Worship in June

June 8th **Day of Pentecost. Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary.**
Children join for the first part then go to church school. Strawberry Festival follows.

June 15th **Intergenerational Worship for Youth Sunday at 10:30am in the Sanctuary**
Join us to affirm our young people and those who nurture them.

June 22nd **Music Sunday. Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary.**
Join us to affirm our musicians and to welcome our guest preacher, Rev. Dr. Doug Gay, Principal of Trinity College at the University of Glasgow Scotland.

June 29th

**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.

Doodle away . . .

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47E Nations, Clap Your Hands

1 Na - tions, clap your hands; shout with joy, you lands!
 2 God goes up on high with a joy - ful cry,
 3 God reigns o - ver all rul - ers great and small.

Awe - some is the LORD; spread his fame a - broad.
 with a might - y shout; peo - ple, sing it out!
 Lead - ers of the world, ser - vants of the LORD,

He rules ev - ery land with a might - y hand.
 Let your voic - es bring prais - es to our King.
 ral - ly round his throne; he is God a - lone.

God brings na - tions low; he sub - dues each foe.
 Praise him with a song; praise with heart and tongue;
 Sing be - fore him now, in his pres - ence bow.

From his might - y throne God pro - tects his own.
 praise with ev - ery skill; praise with mind and will.
 God of A - bra - ham! God of ev - ery land!

D F#m A G A D

Our in - her - i - tance is our sure de - fense.
 God rules all the earth; mag - ni - fy his worth.
 Wor - ship and a - dore God for - ev - er - more.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

**TENAFLY COMMUNITY
CHOIR
AND ORCHESTRA**

DIRECTED BY JIM MILLAR

June 1st 7pm

Handel *Zadok the Priest*
 Schubert *Mass in G*
 Mozart *Allēluia*
 Mozart *Jupiter Symphony*

FREE ENTRY
 Donations Welcome

We are coming, Lord, to the table

Words & Music: Sierra Leone traditional
Transcription & Arrangement: Greg Scheer

Prayerfully ♩ = 100

We are co - ming, Lord, to the ta - ble.

4b

We are co - ming, Lord, to the ta - ble.

8b

1. With the gift of bread, we are com-ing, Lord.
2. To re - ceive the bread, we are com-ing, Lord.

13b

Oh, sing it o - ver:

With the gift of wine, we are co-ming, Lord.
To re - ceive the wine, we are co-ming, Lord.

19

1. We of - fer you the gift of
 2. We're co - ming to re - ceive the

Oh, we are com - ing, Lord.

23

bread.
 bread.

We of - fer you the gift of
 We're co - ming to re - ceive the

Oh, we are com - ing, Lord.

27

wine.
 wine.

Oh, sing it o - ver.

Oh, we are com - ing, Lord.

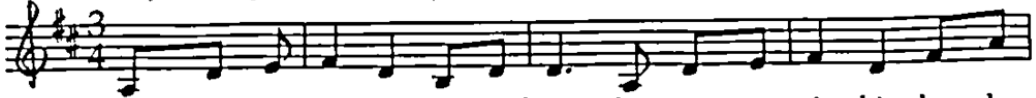
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Oh, we are com - ing Lord.

Praise God my soul!

Vikki Cook

Majestically 0 G/D 0



1. Praise God, my soul! with all my heart let me ex - alt his ho - ly
2. The Lord is mer - ci - ful and kind, to an - ger, slow, and full of
3. But ev - er - last - ing is God's love for those who fear him, and their

4 F#m D/F# G D/F# A Bm Gb Em7 G/A



name. For - get not all his be - ne - fits; his praise, my soul, in song pro -
grace. He will not constant - ly re prove, or in his an - ger hide his
seed, for those who keep his coven - ant, and care - ful - ly his pre cepts

8 D F#m G D/F# D A D/F# F#m7 G D/F# G A



claim. He sa - tis - fies your deep de - sires from his un - end - ing stores of
face. Just as a fa - ther loves his child, so God loves those who fear his
heed. O praise the Lord, you heav'n - ly hosts, his ser - vants who per - form his

12 Bm Bm/A G D/F# A Bm(add2) Bm Bm/A



good, so that, just like the ea - gle's strength, your youth - ful
name. For he re - mem - bers we are dust, and well he
word. Praise God, his works through - out the world, And you, my

15 Gb Em7 G/A Bm Bm/A G(add2) Em7 G/A 0



vi - gor is re - newed. Your youth - ful vi - gor is re - newed.
knows our fee - ble frame. And well he knows our fee - ble frame.
soul, O praise the Lord! And you my soul, O praise the Lord!