

The Presbyterian Church at Tenaflly



For Every Heart a Home

July 5th, 2026

7th Sunday of Pentecost at 10am



Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Liturgist: Roger Maxfield

Greeters: Joe and Ihhyun Rhee

Communion Servers: Roger Maxfield, Jim Crook, Jeanne Lambert

Coffee Hour: 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. We welcome children to stay in church for the service today. Please join us for coffee hour after the service.



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, Sharing the Peace and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

*** Hymn 220** (Psalm 100) *All People that on Earth do Dwell*

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Liturgist

God is love and we are God's children. There is no room for fear in love. We love, because God loved us first. So we confess our sins, in penitence and faith.

All: God our Maker, we confess to you and to our fellow members in the body of Christ, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry.

Kyrie Eleison

Martin sings:	Kyrie Eleison
Congregation:	Kyrie Eleison
Martin sings:	Christe Eleison
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Recognition of Forgiveness

All: God, you are both power and love. Forgive us and free us from our sins. Heal and strengthen us by your Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

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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First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

Liturgist

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle-bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the

waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

***Hymn 466**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Reading

Mathew 11:16-19, 25-30

Liturgist

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, “We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.” For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’ At that time Jesus said, ‘I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

***Hymn 236 (Psalm 124)**

Now Israel May Say

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Chester (1770/1778) by William Billings

Let tyrants shake their iron rod,
And Slav’ry clank her galling chains,
We fear them not, we trust in God,
New England’s God forever reigns.
Howe and Burgoyne and Clinton too,
With Prescot and Cornwallis join’d,
Together plot our Overthrow,
In one Infernal league combin’d.
When God inspir’d us for the fight,
Their ranks were broke, their lines were forc’d,
Their ships were Shatter’d in our sight,
Or swiftly driven from our Coast.
The Foe comes on with haughty Stride;

Our troops advance with martial noise,
Their Vet'rans flee before our Youth,
And Gen'als yield to beardless Boys.
What grateful Off'ring shall we bring?
What shall we render to the Lord?
Loud Halleluiahs let us Sing,
And praise his name on ev'ry Chord.

Offering during which we hear *This Land is Your Land* by Woody Guthrie

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

***Song** *We Are Coming, Lord, to the Table* (see pages 12-13)

The Great Thanksgiving

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, Author of all being.

Your power sustains, your love restores our broken world.

You are unceasingly at work

from chaos bringing order
and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead,
proclaims the dawn of hope.
He lives in us that we may walk in light.
Your Spirit is fire in us,
Your breath is power
to purge our sin
and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose,
freed by him who burst from the tomb
and opened the gate of life
we 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,
4 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!

(the congregation sits)

Telling the Story

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,
for by the Cross eternal life is ours
and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter
glory broke from the tomb
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.
From the Garden the truth shone clear
that he whom they had loved and lost
was with them now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,
welcoming weary fishers on the shore,
He renewed the promise of his presence,
and of new birth in the Spirit
who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.

On the night when he was given up to death,
knowing that his hour had come,
having loved his own,
He loved them to the end.
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.'

**ALL: 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.**

**Hear us most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his 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 baptised 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 Virgin Mary,
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)

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** *Praise God My Soul* (see pages 14)

***Blessing with Sung Celtic Amen**
Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Postlude

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

Announcements

NEXT SUNDAY

Summer Worship at 10am in the Chapel

Please note that on Fridays during July and August office hours will be shortened to accommodate staff vacation time, the office being open 8am to 12noon only.

Pastor Martin will be on leave from the afternoon of Sunday July 5th until the morning of July 9th. During this time, for pastoral emergency please contact Rev. Beate Braun Storck at (201) 266-6666.

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. Our study group will NOT meet this Wednesday, July 8th. We will meet again on July 15th at 12noon in the church house. Bring your lunch; drinks and treats provided.

Kingdom VBC Decoration Making Night. Feeling crafty? Come join us for pizza and help make the decorations for Vacation Bible Camp, **THIS Wednesday July 8th 6:30 - 8pm.** Kids and adults and welcome. We have a Kingdom theme for camp this year. Please RSVP to the church office by July 7th.

Construction Works toward the installation of an elevator between the Narthex and Jim Henry Hall has begun! The Narthex and Sanctuary are strictly off limits from June 29th – although access to Sunday worship will be possible for Grace and Love Church. Pray for smooth progress and bear with us during any inconvenience!

Scholarships. Applications are available in the church office or call the office and Nancy will email one to you. Members and children of members of PCAT enrolling in a fulltime degree program at an accredited college or university are eligible for this grant. **Deadline to apply is Monday July 13th, 2026.**

Church School and childcare will meet all summer. We have a lot of fun summer lessons planned, including time in the garden.

Memorial Service for Robert Riseley. PCAT will be hosting a memorial service for former member Robert Riseley who grew up in the congregation along with his family. Everyone who knew him is welcome to attend the thanksgiving service in the chapel at 1pm on Saturday July 11th. The service will be followed by interment of ashes at Brookside Cemetery. Robert is a local legend having been golf champion 11 times at the Knickerbocker Club! He also invented and patented a famous type of putter!

Sanctuary Space is next up on **July 21st, 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.

Presby Readers has selected Patrick Ryan's, *Buckeye* as our next read. We will meet to discuss the book on Sunday, July 26 at 4pm at Mary Jane Eimer's home.

Rev. Beate Braun Storck Tenaflly's Lutheran Minister, is retiring this summer. Tenaflly Interfaith are marking the occasion with a service of thanksgiving and sending on Sunday July 26th 4pm at the chapel of Church of the Atonement on Highwood Ave. Please come

and share in a service of Lutheran vespers and show your appreciation. Beate has been an excellent and supportive presence in the town for many years.

Venezuela Earthquake Relief. We will send a check for all monetary donations received here at PCAT to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Please make checks payable to PCAT with “earthquake” in the memo line. Or you may make donations directly using the information below. Thank you for your generosity.

GIVE: Scan the QR code to give online, give by phone at 800-728-7228 X5885, or mail a check made payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with “PDA Venezuela Earthquakes” on the memo line and mail to:

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We are coming, Lord, to the table

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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.

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

19

Oh, we are com - ing, Lord.

This block contains the musical notation for measures 19 through 22. It features a grand staff with a treble and bass clef, both in the key of B-flat major. The melody in the treble clef begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and A4. The bass line consists of a half note chord of G2 and Bb2, followed by quarter notes A2, Bb2, and A2. The lyrics "Oh, we are com - ing, Lord." are written below the staff.

bread.
bread.

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

23

Oh, we are com - ing, Lord.

This block contains the musical notation for measures 23 through 26. The notation is identical to the previous system, with the same melody and bass line. The lyrics "Oh, we are com - ing, Lord." are repeated below the staff.

wine.
wine.

Oh, sing it o - ver.

27

Oh, we are com - ing, Lord.

This block contains the musical notation for measures 27 through 30. The melody in the treble clef continues with quarter notes G4, A4, Bb4, and A4. The bass line remains the same. The lyrics "Oh, we are com - ing, Lord." are written below the staff.

31

Oh, we are com - ing Lord.

This block contains the musical notation for measures 31 through 34. The melody in the treble clef features a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and A4. The bass line consists of a half note chord of G2 and Bb2, followed by quarter notes A2, Bb2, and A2. The lyrics "Oh, we are com - ing Lord." are written below the staff.

Praise God my soul!

Vikki Cook

Majestically D G/D D



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



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 cov en - ant, and care - ful - ly his pre cepts



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



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



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!

Being Christ's Light This Summer



- How did you shine this week?
Write on a colorful "ray"
- When have you noticed God shine this week?
Use a sparkle "ray"
- Use a blue "ray" when you have felt sad or concerned this week.

We invite you to notice how you have shone by *being you* this week, or where life has felt like it was tough. Add a ray to the collage to reflect how your week has been. You are welcome to write details on a ray or simply stick a blank ray on, knowing privately what it represents for you.

Doodle away . . .

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