# The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



# For Every Heart a Home

August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 at 10am 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

## Rev. Chris Lawrence Liturgist: Jeanne Lambert

**Coffee Hour: Rick Bower** 

Ushers/Greeters: Barbara Silio and Roger Maxfield

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 10am worship service. 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

Liturgist

\* Hymn

Be Still for the Presence of the Lord (see page 6)

**Prayer of Approach and Confession** 

Liturgist

All: Limitless god, the thought of you blows our minds. The wonder of who and what you are leaves us awestruck.

You are the quiet whisper of gently felt presence.

You are the beauty of nature and art.

You are glimpsed in every human face.

And yet, none of this captures you.

So we sit in wonder, turning ourselves and our lives over to you in this time of worship.

### **Kyrie Eleison**

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#### 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

Reading Hosea 11:1-11 Liturgist

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk; I took them up in my arms, but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities; it consumes their oracle priests and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim, for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt and like doves from the land of Assyria, and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

\*Hymn 647 Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart (see page 7)

Reading Luke 12:13-21 Liturgist

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

\* **Hymn 753** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (see page 8-9)

Sermon Rev. Chris Lawrence

**Sharing our Gifts,** during which we hear Nik Rael sing "Wisdom's Table" by Doug Gay and John 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!



\* Doxology Dedication Prayer

Liturgist

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession** 

Liturgist

Liturgist: Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our Prayer

\*Hymn 716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending (see page 10)

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

## Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

## **Regular Groups at PCAT**

GROUP	WHEN	CONTACT
AA (Morning Glory)	Saturdays 10:30am	Jay McSherry
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# 753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

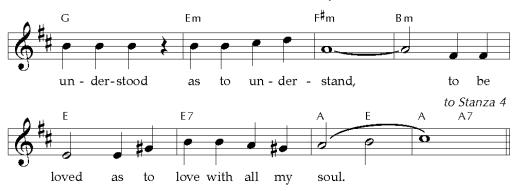


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# God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716



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- 2 Skills and time are ours for press ing toward the goals of
- 3 Trea sure, too, you have en trust ed, gain through powers your



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to you, of-fering up our - selves in praise; thank-ful song shall la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents, shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,



rise for - ev - er, gra-cious do - nor of our days. make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne. and re - claim - ing, serv-ing you by lov-ing all.

#### Announcements

# NEXT SUNDAY Summer worship at 10:00am in the CHAPEL

**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.

We welcome Rev. Chris Lawrence, our mission partner at Inner Change, East Harlem.

**Emergency Pastoral Assistance** Pastor Martin will be on leave from the afternoon of Sunday July 27th until the morning of Tuesday September 2nd. **During this time, for pastoral emergency please contact:** 

July 27th - August 16th (inclusive) Rev. Rich Gelson (908) 914 2042 August 17th - September 1st (inclusive) Rev. Dr. Kee Boem So (617) 955 6452

**Interested in making a casserole** to feed 40 or make a donation for the East Harlem InnerCHANGE dinner program? Donation checks should be made to the Presbyterian Church at Tenafly with a note on the memo line for EH InnerCHANGE Dinners. *Questions for meals*, please direct them to Mary Jane at mjeimer@aol.com or text 201-914-7545.

**PresbyReaders.** Our next meeting will be Sunday, August 24th at 4pm at Carolyn and Al Rocco's home. We will be discussing Carsten Henn's, *The Door to Door Bookstore: A Novel*. All are welcome.

**Meal Train**. Following on from Rob's recent second knee surgery. Could you help by offering a meal? Their friend, Angie Lunking, has set up the roster – follow this link to find it.

https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/71m979/updates/58q0oy

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

**Vacation Bible Camp**. Registration is open for our *Underwater Adventure* which will run for three days; August  $25^{th} - 27^{th}$  from 9:30am - 12:30pm. Sign up today and invite a friend!

**Tenafly Community Night** – Tuesday September  $9^{th}$  5 – 8pm on Riveredge Road outside the fire house and police station. Could you come and help promote our church with a friendly face?

**Poet's Café**. September 14th at 4pm in the Church House with special guest Tenafly poet and artist Tami Luchow. Come along and enjoy a talk from Tami on the theme of creativity, and hear some of her work. You can also bring along your own favorite poem to share and try out a bit of writing on the spot too!

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

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

#### **Future Worship**

**Sunday September 7**<sup>th</sup> Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and 9/11 Remembrance at 10:30am in the Sanctuary.

Sunday September 14th Intergenerational worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary

**Sunday September 21st** worship at 9:30am and 10:30am.

# THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT TENAFLY

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