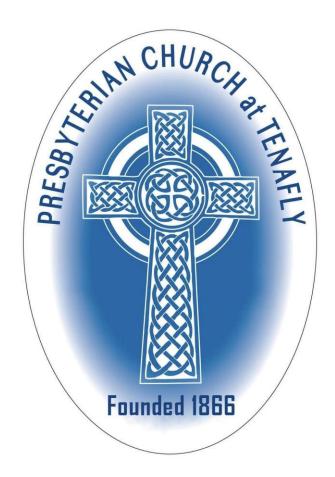
The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



For Every Heart a Home

October 26th, 2025 21st Sunday of Pentecost at 9:30am

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie Musicians: Will Farnham, Nik Rael, Pete McDonald, Fred Mawson

Yuna Kim, Clare Yoon, Anna Lee (instrumental scholars)

Usher: Roger Maxfield Coffee Hour: Mary Jane Eimer

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 in the Narthex or handed to an usher. Please join us for coffee hour in the Church House after the service. 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 How Majestic is Your Name (Psalm 8)

Welcome, Sharing the Peace and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

*Song Come, Now is the Time to Worship (see page 7-8)

Reading Luke 18:9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

*Song Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see. Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear, and Grace my fears relieved. How precious did that Grace appear, the hour I first believed.

My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy reigns. Unending love, Amazing Grace.

The Lord has promised good to me. His Word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy reigns. Unending love, Amazing Grace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow. The sun forbear to shine. But God, who called me here below, will be forever mine. Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

Reflection Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Prayers Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

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

* Song (Psalm 67) May the Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night, into Your glorious light, That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.

May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife With boundless love and deepest joy, with endless life.

Refrain: May the peoples praise You, let the nations be glad! All Your blessing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Jesus.

All the earth is Yours and all within, each harvest is Your own,
And from Your hand we give to You, to make Christ known.
May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard,
May songs of praise build lives of grace to spread Your Word. *Refrain*

This our holy priv'lege to declare Your praises and Your Name to every nation, tribe and tongue Your church proclaim. *Refrain*

Holy, Holy, is the Lord Almighty.
Worthy, worthy is the lamb who was slain.
Holy, Holy is the Lord Almighty.
All creation praise Your glorious Name. *Refrain twice*

*Sending, Benediction and Celtic Amen
Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

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Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand.

Announcements

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30am Communion in the Chapel with band (30 minutes)
10am Coffee Hour in the Church House
10:30am Communion in the Sanctuary with choir (one hour)
11:30am Coffee Hour in the Church House

THIS AFTERNOON - Meet the Artist Gwyneth Leech at 4pm in the Church House. This NYC based artist joins us to speak about and show her paintings which capture the drama of the city. She will also reflect on her murals that transformed the previously gloomy interior of St. Mary's Cathedral in Glasgow, Scotland in the 1990's.

Tenafly Community Choir - First rehearsal is **this Tuesday**, October 28th at 7pm in the Sanctuary. The doors are open for ANYONE who enjoys singing, regardless of faith tradition or where they live, to come and enjoy learning great Christmas music, sacred and secular, with a really inspiring choir director. Pass on the invitation to anyone you know who sings and might be up for it! Any queries contact Jim Millar at dirmusic@tenaflypresby.org

Adventures in Faith meets Wednesday at 12 noon in the church house. Everyone is welcome. Bring your lunch if you like, drinks and treats provided. This week we'll discuss the theme of "Grace".

Sanctuary Space will be **this Thursday** evening, October 30th. Come and go as is helpful to you between 7-9pm. Let the pressures of life melt away as you connect with essence in the calm and beautiful candlelit main Sanctuary. Open to all faiths and none. Invite someone to come for this special and uncomplicated time!

The Soup Squad. We are asking all soup makers to share a container of their home-made soup. Pastor Martin and the Deacons use the soup when visiting members of our congregation; It's a wonderful way to nurture members of our church family. Please arrange with Nancy in the office to drop off donations and help with labeling, the type of soup and the ingredients are needed. Meat-based, vegetarian, and vegan soups are welcome. Many thanks for sharing your culinary skills and being a member of the Soup Squad!

A Time to Remember Sunday, November 2nd at 4:30pm in the Chapel. A gentle hour of remembering and giving thanks for those we have loved and lost with music, words and creativity. Please send in the names of loved ones to be remembered to Pastor Martin or the church office by October 31st.

Congregational Meeting, Sunday November 9th, 2025: Notice is given that there will be a congregational meeting for the sole purpose of electing the Nominating Committee on Sunday November 9th in the Sanctuary following the 10.30am Joint Intergenerational Service.

Emmie Parsell's 104th birthday! On November 9th, everyone is welcome to come join in celebrating Emmie's birthday at worship and at a special coffee hour with birthday cake in the Church House following our congregational meeting.

Movie Night. How to Train Your Dragon with pizza and popcorn for kids 3 years to 5th grade. Saturday, November 15th from 4-6pm in the Church House. Free admission. RSVP by Nov. 11th at (201) 567-0111

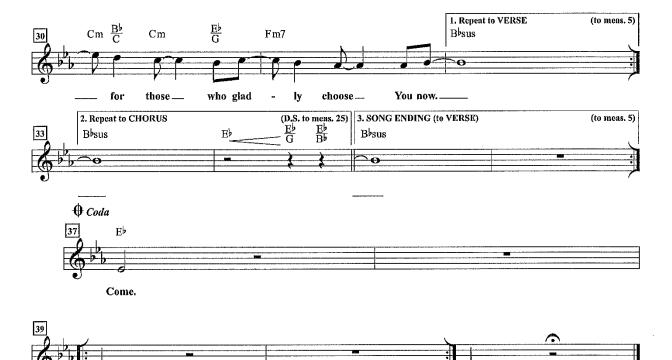
The Presby Readers will be meeting Sunday, December 7th at 4pm at Viki Shima's home. We picked a "short" book this go round. Join us to discuss Peter Bringley's, *All the Beauty in the World: The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Me*. Come with a few discussion points and book suggestions for the new year!

Regular Groups at PCAT

GROUP	WHEN	CONTACT
AA (Morning Glory)	Saturdays 10:30am	Jay McSherry
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Come, Now Is the Time to Worship





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