

FORT WASHINGTON COLLEGIATE CHURCH

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PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE EASTER OR PASCHAL CANDLE

OPENING PRAYER

Lift your voices to God.

We call on the One who promises to hear us.

In life, in death, in every moment, God deals graciously with us.

We rejoice in the One who saves us.

We will break the Bread of life in thanksgiving to God.

We will lift up the Cup of salvation, drinking deeply from it.

HYMN: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
Red Hymnal #2

Nicaea

PRAYER OF THE DAY

When every day seems the same,
with no one listening to our dreams,
our hopes, our fears and worries,
you pause, God our Maker,
turning your head
so you can read our lips.

When every road seems the same,
filled with despair's potholes,
littered with pain's detritus,
you come alongside us, God our
Lover,
pointing out that side road
that will take us to Abba's abode.

When every step trips us up,
when every loss weighs us down,
when every grief breaks our heart,
you come, God our Keeper,
with your book of grace
filled with loving words
to give us hope.

When everyone ignores us,
when everything disappoints us,
you walk with us, you talk with us,
you refuse to abandon us,
God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

SONGS OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Baloche

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Holy holy holy

Open the eyes of my heart

Holy holy holy

I want to see You

Holy holy holy

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy

Abide With Me

Eventide

Red Hymnal #365

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

When we confess our lives, we are calling on God who promises, not only to hear us, but to heal us with forgiveness and hope. Join me, as we pray together saying,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We cut you to the heart, Loving God, with the silly choices we make. We had hoped our lives would reflect your presence, but those around us can see how empty we are. We had hoped our words might bring healing, but they end up hurting those we love the most. We had hoped to find Jesus, but cannot see him in all those you send to us.

Oh, how foolish we are to think we can go on without your mercy, Lord God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, you judge us impartially from the depths of your heart, so we may be born anew by your grace, to continue the journey into your future.

Brief silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This we know for certain - we are forgiven by our gracious God. This good news never ceases to astound us!

This promise is passed on to us, so we may share it with everyone we meet. Thanks be to God. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

Please greet one another with the words – **The peace of Christ is with you!** Response – **And also with you!** (Children will join their teachers for worship and learning activities.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 24:13-35

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: *“Meeting Jesus Again—For the First Time”*

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

HYMN: Emmaus-Bound on Easter Day (Tune of “O Waly Waly”)

Gillette

**Emmaus-bound on Easter Day,
Two travelers walked along the way.
They'd once had hope,
but hope had died
When you, O Lord, were crucified.**

**When you appeared beside the two,
They could not see that it was you;
But as they talked and shared their pain,
You gave them hope and joy again.**

**For as you spoke to them God's word,
Explaining all they'd seen and heard,
They understood what God had done
And that a new day had begun.**

**They shared their home; you broke the bread.
They saw you, risen from the dead!
That moment's grace helped them to see
The gift of God's eternity.**

**In scripture and at table, too,
O Risen Lord, may we know you.
And may your presence give us grace
To share God's love in every place.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(from the Book of Common Prayer)*

**Our [God] in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. AMEN**

INVITATION TO SHARE

The author of 1 Peter implores us to love one another deeply *from the heart*, and assures us that we have been born anew *through the living and enduring word of God*. In our giving today, let us give, not out of obligation, but *from the heart*. Let our gifts be seeds of *the living and enduring word of God*, that will sprout in abundance of justice and hope all that is necessary for life, for sisters and brothers here at hand, and around the world.

**Give online at www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/give
Pledge at www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/pledge**

OFFERTORY: The Way to Emmaus

Hanson

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

In thanksgiving for what has been shared, we sing as one body:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, all heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

As we offer our treasure and hearts to you, O God, may they be used to pass on the promise of hope, of peace, of life, of community to all in need of your gifts and presence in their lives. Amen.

HYMN: Christ Beside Me
Red Hymnal #543

Bunessan

SENDING

The stone has been rolled away!
We will go to share this good news!
Jesus walks with us on our journey.
We will go with him wherever the road takes us.
Jesus has opened our eyes.
We will go to serve everyone we see.

POSTLUDE

***The Easter or Paschal Candle**

The Easter or Paschal candle is a symbol with a liturgy in the Western Church that can be traced back at least to the seventh century. It signifies the resurrection and is lit for services throughout the Easter season until Pentecost.

Welcome to Fort Washington Collegiate Church; a place of diversity, hospitality and grace. We open our doors to everyone! We welcome all people regardless of race, culture, sexual orientation, social or economic status. As a church family we celebrate our diversity and our connection to God. We seek to follow Christ's example and exemplify the love of Christ; therefore, as a faith community, we value grace over judgment. Although we represent many cultures and points of view, our diversity does not drive us apart, but gives us the opportunity to be enriched by the gifts and leadership of all. Together, by word and deed, we proclaim the good news that there is new life in Christ.

CHILDREN & WORSHIP AT FORT WASHINGTON CHURCH

Parent/Guardian Reminder: *All children 8 years old and under, require parent escort throughout the building. Please help us keep your children safe by accompanying them to rehearsals, Godly Play and other activities in the building and on church grounds.*

Nursery Care: The nursery is open and care is available for infants and toddlers between ages 0-3 in the nursery just behind the Sanctuary. Care is available before and during worship (10:30am - 12:15pm)

Godly Play®: After the Children's Time and during the Passing of the Peace, children 4 years of age through 4th grade are invited to the Second Floor for Godly Play® in Classroom #208. **Caregivers and parents are invited to pick up their children after service.**

Children's Choir: All children who love to sing are invited to rehearse with Eric Alderfer in the Second Floor Meeting Room #205 from 10:00am-10:45 am.

Sunday School: All youth (grades 5th - High School) are invited to join the Associate Minister Bridget Kelso Anthony upstairs in Room #209 after the Passing of the Peace.

Playgroup: All children and caregivers are welcome on Wednesdays from 9:30am to 11:30am for songs, games and time to play in Fellowship Hall or in the yard (weather permitting). Crawlers are invited to a time of play on the jigsaw mat set up in the atrium as Mr. Eric accompanies on the keyboard.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Sonia Alston
Anna Svahn
Faught Family
Brenda Jon
Sonia Ashmeade
Sandra Catena
Louise Tatum
Rosalyn Cuzco
Evelyn Day
Sylvia Rodriguez

Joe Tigner
Margarita Vince- Allen
Barbara Marin
Alderfer Famiy
Angela Espinal
Gwen Wood
Jane Wai
Violetta Proano
Mesina Family
Branco Family

Vaughn Family
Jorge Mantorell
Marco Antonio & Marilyn
Calderon
Joan Bovers
Tobin Smith
Carolyn Bray
Porfirio Figueroa

Our prayer partner today is: a member of the Congregational Care Team

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list or have a prayer concern please contact Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake at skenefake@fortwashingtonchurch.org or Bridget Anthony at banthony@fortwashingtonchurch.org or call (212) 568-4014

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need nursery volunteers willing to help with childcare in both the morning and evening service.

NOON PRAYER

Noon prayer will meet on Wednesdays in the North Room, led by Devora Jones

INFORMATION & PRAYER CARDS IN PEWS

If you would like to share your information with us or share a prayer request; please fill out the white information card or the green prayer cards.

EVENSONG SPEAKER (REFLECTORS) Needed for Sunday, May 28th

GOD TALK

Join us Wednesday nights (bi-weekly) for dinner and a lively discussion. Dinner starts at 6:30 pm, followed by a Scripture reading and discussion at 7pm. The full schedule for 2016-2017 is on our website. Next meeting is on May 10th.

CONSISTORY MINUTES ONLINE

Minutes of monthly Fort Washington
**Consistory Minutes* and bi-monthly
***Collegiate Church Consistory Minutes* can be found on our website:
www.fortwashingtonchurch.org

JOIN THE NEW COMMUNITY CHOIR

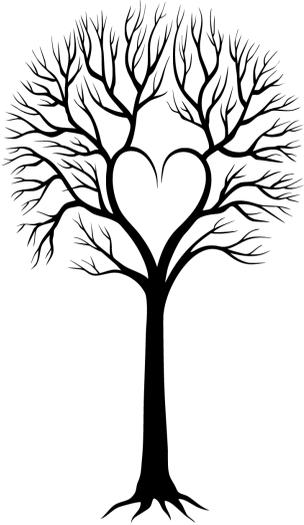
Come enjoy a time of beautiful singing and fellowship with congregants and neighbors. Enroll at www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/choir

SHARE YOUR MUSIC, ART, AND DANCE

Interested in the arts? We want you! Now is a great time to join our Sunday morning choir, the Joyful Voices (rehearses Thursdays at 7:30). All ages and experience levels are welcome. Do you play an instrument, love to dance, read poetry, act, paint, draw, program C++? Reach out and get plugged in! Email Chris Whittaker at cwhittaker@fortwashingtonchurch.org

HELP US SERVE YOU BETTER!

We need your volunteer and financial support to keep all of our excellent community, fellowship, and educational programs healthy and strong. If you have any questions regarding volunteering or making a financial gift, please speak with Rev. Dr. Scott Kenefake, or Associate Minister Bridget Anthony. We thank you for your support!



NEW GIVING KIOSK

You can now give digitally with our new Giving Kiosk located in the Pavilion.

2017 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Pledges for 2017 are now being received. Have we received yours? Electronic Pledge Cards and on-line giving can be found on our website at:

<https://www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/pledge>

Paper copies are available in the entrance to the sanctuary (vestibule).

DONATE

Your generosity helps to ensure our church remains a vital and robust part of our uptown community. Make a donation to Fort Washington Collegiate Church today. You can make a one-time gift or set up reoccurring contributions on our website Sunday, <https://www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/give/>

THE DEACON'S FUND

On the first Sunday of every month we take two offerings at the 11 am service: one for our regular gifts and offerings for the ongoing support of the mission and ministry of the church and another to support emergency needs (primarily food and clothing) of people in our community (the Deacon's Fund). Please give generously!

ART SHOW FUNDRAISER MEETING

Wednesday, May 3rd, 6:30 to 8:00 pm. FWCC is planning an art show that will feature local artists from Upper Manhattan. If you are an artist yourself, work in the creative arts, have experience planning these kinds of events, or are interested in helping, please join us. Thanks!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP

We are inviting members and friends of FWCC to please stay with us for a few minutes after today's worship service for a congregational update. We will be discussing the transition to our new senior minister, call for new Consistory members with expertise in the areas of finance, endowments, and investments, and new ways to get involved in serving FWCC and the community.

MEET AND GREET OUR NEW SENIOR MINISTER!

Rev. Dr. Damaris Whittaker will be at FWCC on Saturday, May 6th, 2017 from 3:00-4:30 pm to meet members and friends of FWCC. She is excited to meet you and hear about your hopes for the ministry at FWCC. Please come out to show your support for her and our church. Light refreshments will be served.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO REV. DR. SCOTT KENEFAKE!

We will be saying goodbye to Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, our Interim Senior Minister with a celebration of his time with us on Sunday, May 21st, 2017. We will have a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the worship service. There will be tributes and words of gratitude for his service. Please join us for this special time with Scott and Gail. Scott's last Sunday with us will be May 28th, 2017.

TEAR OFF BELOW TO STAY INFORMED ABOUT ALL OF OUR EVENTS

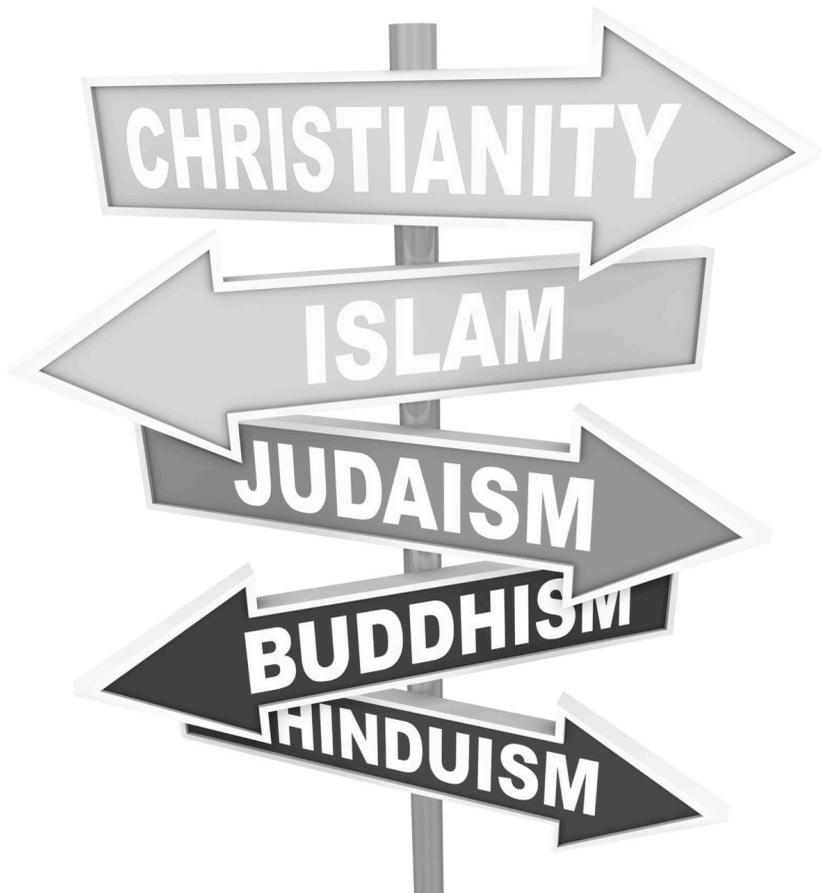
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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? _____



NEW ADULT STUDY – *World Religions*

Sunday evenings, 6:30-7:15 pm, Fellowship Hall, April 23rd – May 28th

Led by Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake

Judaism, Islam, Sikhism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Indigenous Sacred Ways

We'll explore similarities and differences with mainstream Christianity

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 30th, 2017

Third Sunday of Easter

Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector: Jenny Castillo Cato

Sunday, May 7th, Fourth Sunday of Easter/Holy Communion, 11 am

Acts 2:42-47, "*Sharing is Caring*"

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Preaching

Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector, James Bonilas

Sunday, May 14th, Fifth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day, 11 am

Acts 7:55-60, "*The Myth of Redemptive Violence*"

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Preaching

Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector, Jana LaSorte

Sunday, May 21st, Sixth of Sunday of Easter, 11 am

Mia McClain, FWCC Seminary Intern, Preaching

Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector, Genevieve Tatum

Sunday, May 28th Seventh Sunday of Easter/Ascension, 11 am

Acts 1:6-14, "*Commissioned to Serve*"

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Preaching

Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector, *Volunteer Needed!*

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Memorial Service will be held today for Brenda Patricia Tatum at 2 pm in the Sanctuary. Brenda was the sister of Genevieve Tatum and sister-in-law to Louise Tatum.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Interim Senior Pastor • **Bridget Kelso Anthony**, Associate Minister • **Eric Alderfer**, Director of Children's Ministry • **Chris Whittaker**, Director of Music • **Laurrinda Hatcher**, Treasurer • **Diana Morales**, Administrative and Operations Manager • **Mary Lora**, Parish Administrator • **Lazaro Rodríguez**, Sexton • **Amable Morales**, Evening Receptionist • **Wilfredo Serrano**, Sexton

CONSISTORY

Elders: • Victoria Dillard • Beverley Sheares

Deacons: • Lorenzo M. Alsberry • Brian Plane • Zoe Reyes

Intersections Ministry Deacons: Anna Svahn

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