

FORT WASHINGTON COLLEGIATE CHURCH

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PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE EASTER OR PASCHAL CANDLE

OPENING PRAYER

At the presence of God, we rejoice:

glorifying the One who is Parent of all orphans.

In the presence of Jesus Christ, we listen:

to the Voice who calls us to humbly serve others.

Through the presence of the Holy Spirit, we speak:

making God's love known to the world-forsaken in our midst.

HYMN: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies
Red Hymnal #562

Wesley

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Giver of power and strength,
you take a rag-tag bunch
of denying disciples and
feckless followers,
**creating a new community
of servants who seek
to do your will.**

Keeper of all time,
you are enthroned on the
rubble of death's shattered power,
**calling us to your side
and giving us a new vocation,**

**by which we serve the
broken of the communities
in which we live.**

Constant Presence of hope,
you strengthen us so
**we never give in while
confronted by evil;
you continually pray for us
that we never quit when
faith proves to be more
of a challenge than we imagined.
Amen.**

SONGS OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

You Are Good

**Lord You are good
And Your mercy endureth forever
Lord You are good
And Your mercy endureth forever
People from every nation and tongue
From generation to generation**

**We worship You
Hallelujah hallelujah
We worship You for who You are
We worship You
Hallelujah hallelujah
We worship You for who You are
For You are good**

Heart of Worship

Verse 1

**When the music fades, all is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring
something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart**

Pre-Chorus

**I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have
required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart**

Houghton

**You are good all the time
All the time You are good
You are good all the time
All the time You are good**

Redman

Chorus

**I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus**

Verse 2

**King of endless worth no one could express
How much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is
Yours
Ev'ry single breath**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

We know what we should do, yet don't.
We know the words people need to hear,
but utter the ones that hurt them. Yet,
we also know that if we confess our failings
to God, we will receive forgiveness and hope.
Please join me as we pray together, saying,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory: we are so busy watching the skies for signs of your presence that we forget to look around to see those we can serve in your name. We are so intent on finding just the right way to tell someone off, that we forget the words of reconciliation you have taught to us. We are so convinced we can figure out your schedule that we forget to open ourselves to the presence of your Spirit within us.

Mighty source of our lives, forgive us for all that we have done to others. Fill us with the wisdom to resist evil in our lives and strengthen us in that faith which is given to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Brief silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved, do not be surprised. Our God is
gracious to all, restoring us to new life.
**This is the good news which is for us, and
for everyone we will meet in the days to come.
Thanks be to God. We are forgiven.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Alice June Callen

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: Acts 1:6-14

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

HYMN: We Are Called

Haas

**1. Come! live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the
Lord!
We are called to be light for the
kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of
God!**

**2. Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless,
so all hatred and blindness will be no more!**

**3. Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign and we'll walk with each other
as sisters
and brothers united in love!**

Refrain

**We are called to act with justice.
We are called to love tenderly.
We are called to serve one another, to
walk humbly with God.**

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 5:6 encourages us
to humble ourselves before God
so that we may be exalted by God on "the appointed day."
Let us share in today's offering with humble spirits and generous hearts.

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OFFERTORY: O Give Thanks

McAllister

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

**Ever-present and loving God,
your Word tells us to cast our cares on you because you care for us.
In faith and trust we present these gifts, and ourselves, to you.
Bless and multiply them to meet the needs,
both hidden and apparent, of your beloved ones.
Inspire each of us to live as Christ's witnesses,
today and ever more.
By the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.**

HYMN: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus
Red Hymnal #520

Stead

SENDING

The hour has come to go into the world,
**where our worship of God will continue
in every moment of our lives.**

The hour has come to serve those around us,
**to shoulder the burdens of our sisters,
to ease the pain of our brothers.**

The hour has come to glorify God,
**with our prayers as well as our praise,
with songs as well as acts of service.**

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.

*Leading our musical worship this morning is guest vocalist and pianist Tavonna Miller, assisted by
Amanda Ruzza, bass, and Jay Sawyer, drums.*

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 #209. **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 in The North Room on the main floor 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 Family
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
Katie Long
Pamela Payne
Julie Aldefer

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.

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 June 7th.

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

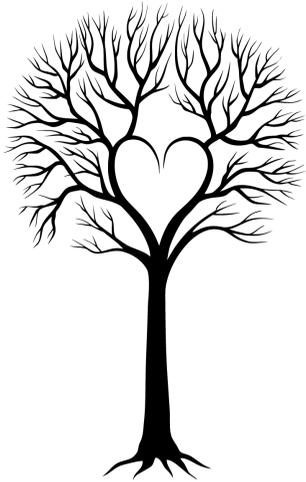
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CONSISTORY MINUTES ONLINE

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

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!

"Communion Preparers" needed for Sunday, June 4th, July 2nd, & August 6th, 11 am Service

FWCC needs two volunteers for each of the above listed Sundays to prepare the communion elements (bread/wafers, juice, and serving trays) in the kitchen at 10 am and to bring them into the sanctuary via a cart on the elevator. If interested/available, please call or email the church office--or talk to one of the Pastors. Thank you!



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

EVENSONG ON HIATUS FOR SUMMER

June 1st through Labor Day

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

~~Sunday, May 28th Seventh Sunday of Easter/Ascension~~
Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector, Porfirio Figueroa

Sunday, June 4th, **Pentecost Sunday**, 11 am
Guest Preacher, Ian Carr McPherson, Seminary Intern, West End Collegiate Church

Sunday, June 11th, Trinity Sunday/**Confirmation/Graduation Sunday**, 11 am
Bridget Kelso Anthony, Associate Minister, and FWCC Youth will lead the service

Sunday, June 18th, Second Sunday after Pentecost/**Father's Day**, 11 am
Bridget Kelso Anthony, Preaching

Sunday, June 25th, Third Sunday after Pentecost/**Pride Sunday**, 11 am
Guest Preacher, Rev. John Vaughn, Executive Vice President, Auburn Seminary

Today's Baptism

Alice June Callen

Parents: Phil & Laurie Callen

Family: Fred and Marla Schroeder

Darren Schroeder

Mark and Elizabeth Schroeder

Ron and Carolyn Callen (celebrating in Michigan)

Bruce and Kris Callen

Paul Callen and Lisa Freda

FWCC PRIDE MONTH CELEBRATION

Join us on **Friday evening, June 23rd, 7-9 pm**, for **Dinner and a Talent Show**, featuring gifted performers from our neighborhood and the Collegiate Church Ministries. Seminary Intern, Mia McClain, and Associate Minister, Bridget Kelso Anthony, are helping to organize the event with volunteers from the congregation and community.

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

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

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