



# **FORT WASHINGTON** COLLEGIATE CHURCH

Evensong & Communion

# Fort Washington Collegiate Church

Sunday, January 15th, 2017 | 5:30 PM | Second Sunday after Epiphany/MLK

Welcome. In order to prepare for worship and allow for private prayer, we ask that silence be observed upon entering and that you turn off cell phones. We are aware that many people who attend this worship service come from other churches and faith traditions. The typical mixture of faith traditions represented at this service makes up a community we cherish. We are glad you are here.

## **Prelude**

*Please stand at the sounding of the chime.*

## **Opening**

*“Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”*

— Martin Luther King Jr.

## **Opening 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!**

**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.**

**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!**

*Please be seated.*

## Prayer for the Evening

God of Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel, God of Deborah and Anna, God of all our prophets: on this day, we honor the legacy of Dr. King, who prophetically witnessed to Your radical inclusive love. Help us to carry forth Your call to justice beyond this Sunday and into our daily lives. Help us to have the courage of Dr. King to stand with the oppressed, to lift up the poor, to live into God's ways of peace demonstrated by Jesus the Christ. Give us the strength to build a better future for all of our children. May we be challenged by this call, by the example of Dr. King, to live into Christ's ways of love, justice, and peace. **Amen.**

## The Reading

*Reader*

*A reading from the Gospel of John*

*John 1:29-42*

<sup>29</sup>The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup>And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him." <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." <sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup>He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

*Reader*

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

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

*A minute of silence is observed after the reading...*

## Reflection

*Two minutes of silence is observed after the reflection ...*

## Music for Meditation

## **Prayers for Ourselves and Others**

Liturgist: Holy God, may we hear your voice  
In the stillness of night, in clatter of day  
You call us, and we respond,

**Here I am!**

May we follow you and  
**May we love as you love.**

*Silence ...*

Holy One, through trials and turbulence  
Make us steady, your hands  
Holding strong the fragile and weak  
**May we love as you love.**

*Silence ...*

Gracious God, may the fruits of our lives  
be food for the hungry, bread  
clothing, shelter, fire, water, Word  
**May we love as you love.**

*Silence ...*

God of justice, remove the barriers  
Of our lives that keep us from  
One another, barriers we construct  
Based on skin color, religion, or gender, or sexual orientation  
May we hear, and follow, graciously.  
**May we love as you love.**

*Silence ...*

*(additional prayers may said aloud or silently here ...)*

Loving God, take this day our fears our  
Worries, distractions, and all  
Turn them into grace and mercy,  
And, following the example of Martin Luther King, Jr.  
and all your Saints,  
**May we love as you love.**  
**Amen**

## Music for Meditation

*During the instrumental music and hymn, and at anytime hereafter, you are welcome to come forward to light a votive candle as a symbol of your prayer. Tapers and votives are on the table in front of the piano. Please feel free to light a candle.*

**Hymn:** There is a Balm in Gilead

Spiritual

*Refrain:*

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;**

**There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin sick soul.**

**1. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,  
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.**

**2. If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all."**

**3. Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend;  
And if you lack for knowledge, He'll never refuse to lend.**

## The Grace

Now my friends, all that is true, all that is noble, all that is just and pure, all that is lovable and gracious, whatever is excellent and admirable; with these let us fill our hearts, and the God of the universe will be with us. **Amen.**

## The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*The ministers and people greet one another, in the name of the Lord. After exchanging the peace, please be seated.*

## Welcome and Announcements

**The Offering and Offertory** (*Give online at: [www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/give/](http://www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/give/)*)

*Offering plates are not passed through the congregation at this service. For your offerings, offering plates are located on a stand in the center aisle.*

## The Holy Communion

**Eucharistic Prayer** (please stand).

*Celebrant and People responsively:*

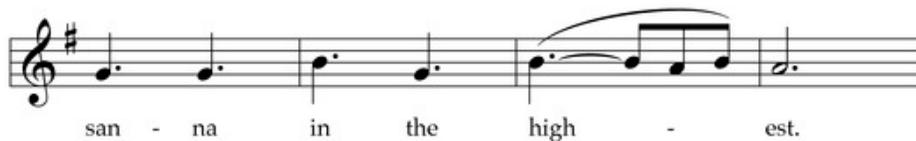
God of a winter's evening,  
All **Praise and wonder be.**  
God of the lingering sunset and early dawn,  
All **Praise and wonder be.**

God of the cold north wind and the blustery snow,  
God of the leafless tree and the cold, icy rain,  
God of the evergreen forest and turbulent sea,  
All **Praise and wonder be.**

We gather together  
conscious that raising our hearts and minds  
is a gift of the Spirit of Life at work  
in the depths of our being.  
All **For the presence of that Spirit in us,**  
**we give thanks.**

We gather together conscious that our celebration  
gives the Spirit a way of breaking into word and song  
unique in all the universe.  
All **For the words and songs within each of us,**  
**we give thanks.**

And so we offer our thanks and praise  
inviting the Spirit of Life, Love and Goodness  
to move freely in our words and actions.



*The celebrant continues:*

Jesus is the story we gather around and give thanks for.

Human like us, he discerned  
where this Spirit of Life is found:  
in the everyday,  
in human interaction,  
in caring,  
in sharing,  
in being neighbor.

He urged people to work together  
to establish the 'reign of God'  
by wholehearted generosity,  
by eliminating boundaries between people,  
by trust in the goodness of people,  
and by working for peace and justice  
in all human endeavors.

**All We remember his total commitment  
to living fully and loving totally  
and his faith in a God to be trusted  
whatever twists life could take  
in this imperfect world.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant*



As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Celebrant and People*



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



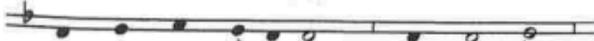
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

We also remember the tradition...

On the night before he died  
Jesus again shared a meal with his friends.  
Through grain and grape, bread and wine,  
and in fellowship together,  
Jesus spoke of his enduring love for each of them.

*(Bread is broken)*

And they recognized him in the breaking of the bread.

### Lamb of God

Je- sus Lamb of God, Je- sus Lamb of God, have mer-cy on us.  
Grant us peace

### *Celebrant*

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed.

Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

*You are welcome to be seated until you come forward to receive. When you tear off a piece of bread from the loaf, touch a tip of the bread in the juice in the cup (intinct) and then consume. If you would like prayers for healing, proceed to the area behind the communion table. If the healing ministers are already praying with others, please wait your turn patiently until one of them is available.*

### Music during Communion

**After Communion** (Please stand)

*Celebrant:*

May the life and the teachings of Jesus  
motivate all that we do, so that what we profess

to have seen in his life and heard in his teaching  
might be evident in our living and loving.

**Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

Blessed be.

In the name of all that is good and growing,

In the name of all that is loving and living,

In the name of all that fires our passion,

Blessed be.

All **Blessed be.**

**Amen!**

**Hymn:** Walk Together Children

Spiritual

**\*Walk together children, don't you get weary (3x)**

**For together we'll get to the promised land.**

**We're gonna walk and never tire, walk and never tire...**

**For together we'll get to the promised land.**

*\*sing, pray*

### **Sending**

Spirit of Life, bless us through this day  
and through this life, till this day ends,  
and a new day dawns.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **Music for Meditation**

### **Postlude**

*Please feel free to depart during the Postlude, as you wish. Prayers for healing will continue at the communion table, so we ask you to leave quietly. Please come back often.*

### *Following the Service*

*Please join us in Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the service. If you would like to know more about this church and how you can connect, we would love to tell you. As a start, please fill out one of the visitor's cards in the bulletin, and drop it in one of the offering plates at the entrance doors. And, of course, call or email us anytime.*

*Reflector, Eric Alderfer*

*Celebrant, Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Interim Senior Minister*

*Liturgist, Bridget Anthony, Associate Minister*

*Instrumentalist: Chris Whittaker, Director of Music*

**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**

**SWERVE** is the social justice action group for all youth ages 12-17. We meet once a month to discuss and participate in local community action projects. This group will feed directly into the Mission Trip taken during the summer of 2017. The next full meeting for SWERVE will be on Sunday, January 29, 2017 immediately following morning service. Please see or email Associate Minister Bridget Kelso Anthony for more information.

**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 grad 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 10am-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.

**Fall Playgroup:** All children and caregivers are welcome free of charge on Wednesdays from 9:30am to 11:30 for songs, games and time to play in Fellowship Hall or in the yard (weather permitting). Crawlers are invited to a time of free 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  
Alexis Agliano Sanborn  
Sonia Ashmeade  
Sandra Catena  
Louise Tatum  
Rosalynd Cuzco  
Evelyn Day

Angela Espinal  
Sylvia Rodriguez  
Joe Tigner  
Margarita Vince- Allen  
Whittaker Family  
Barbara Marin  
Alderfer Family  
Gwen Wood  
Jane Wai  
Violetta Proano

Mesina Family  
Branco Family  
Vaughn Family  
Marco Antonio & Marilyn  
Calderon  
Jorge Mantorell  
Joan Bovers  
Angela Espinal  
Tobin Smith  
Carolyn Bray

**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](mailto:skenefake@fortwashingtonchurch.org) or Bridget Anthony at [banthony@fortwashingtonchurch.org](mailto:banthony@fortwashingtonchurch.org) or call (212) 568-4014**

## **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.

# The Good News

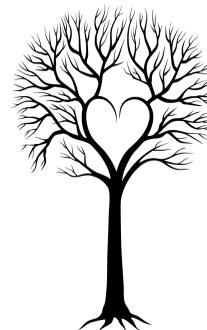


## **GOD TALK**

Join us Wednesday nights for dinner and a lively discussion. Dinner starts at 6:30 pm, followed by a Scripture reading and discussion at 7:00pm. The schedule for 2016-2017 can be found on our website. The next meeting is scheduled for January 18th.

## **NOON PRAYER**

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



## **EVENSONG SPEAKERS (REFLECTORS) NEEDED FOR FEBRUARY 5, 12, 19, & 26**

Each week at the *Evensong & Communion Service* at 5:30 pm in the Sanctuary, we have *guest* speakers (reflectors) who offer a *five minute or less* reflection on *where I'm experiencing God in my life now*. Interested in volunteering? Please talk to one of the ministry staff or contact the church.

## **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](http://www.fortwashingtonchurch.org)

## **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Do you love children and are you being called to serve our church family? We need nursery volunteers willing to help with childcare in both the morning and evening service.

## **JOIN THE NEW COMMUNITY CHOIR**

The Fort Washington Community Choir restarts Tuesday, January 17th. Come enjoy a time of beautiful singing and fellowship with congregants and neighbors. Enroll at [www.fortwashingtonchurch.org/choir](http://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](mailto: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!



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
BE  
GENEROUS**

### **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

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

**TEAR OFF BELOW TO STAY INFORMED ABOUT ALL OF OUR EVENTS**

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**NAME:**

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**HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?**

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, Third Sunday after Epiphany, 11 am  
Matthew 4:12-23; "*Widening the Circle*"  
Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, preaching  
Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector: Victoria Dillard

Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, 11 am  
Matthew 5:1-12; "*Blessed Are ... You!*"  
Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, preaching  
Evensong & Communion, 5:30 pm; Reflector: Chris Whittaker



Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 11am-4pm, Dag Hammarskjold Plaza

### **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

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