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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

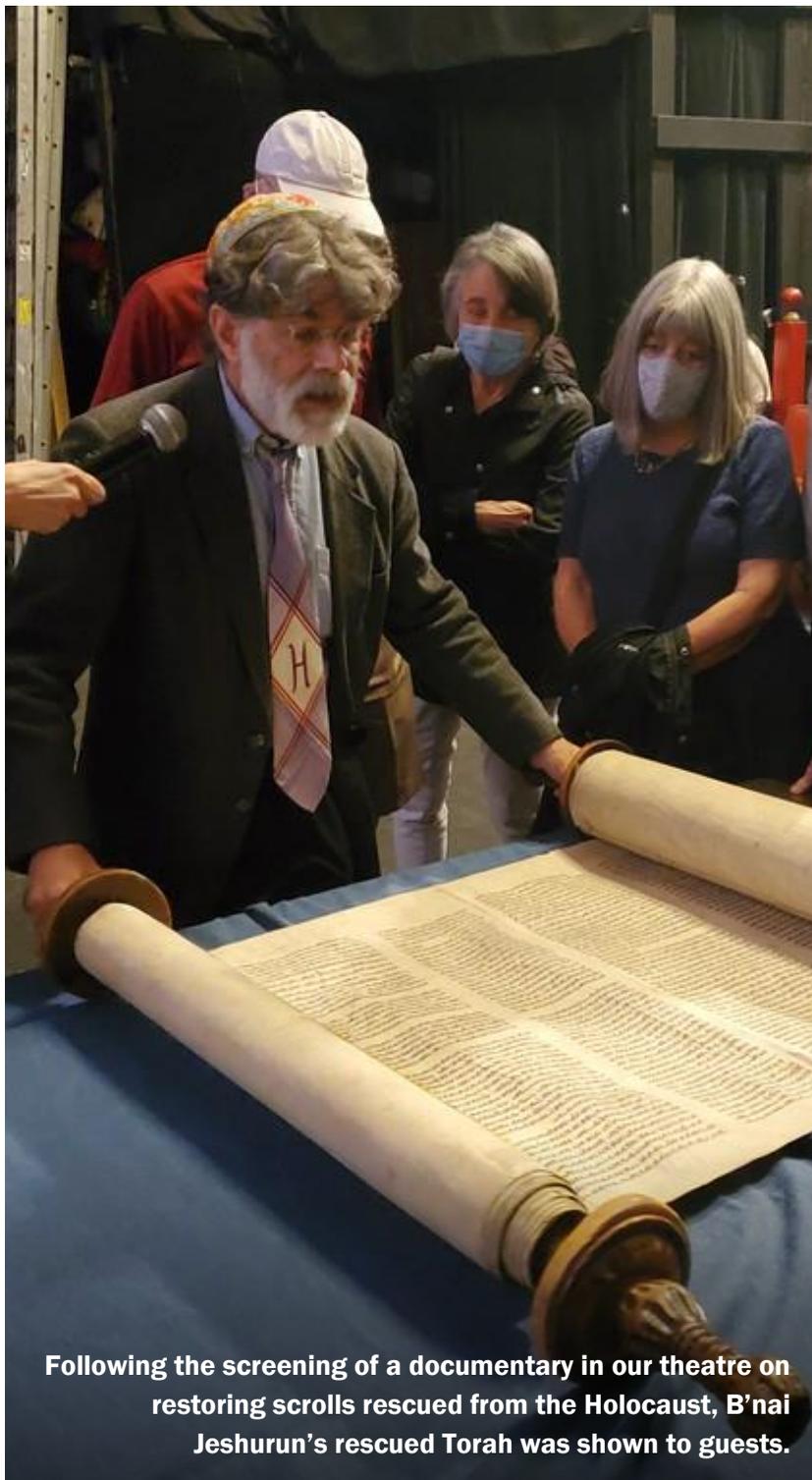
Join us as we build a
community of radical welcome
that follows Jesus into the
streets of the city to increase
the amount of love and justice
in the world.

K Karpen &
Lea Matthews
Pastors

Fourth Sunday
of Easter

May 8, 2022
11:00 a.m.

Livestream



Following the screening of a documentary in our theatre on
restoring scrolls rescued from the Holocaust, B'nai
Jeshurun's rescued Torah was shown to guests.

As we gather on the unceded land of the Lenape peoples, we acknowledge the community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations.

Sunday, May 8, 2022 ♦ 4th Sunday of Easter

♦ *Please rise in body or spirit*

Prelude

Frank Glass

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

by Augustus Toplady, 1776, & Thomas Hastings, 1830; arr. Frank Glass, 2021

Introit

The Risen Christ (pg. 4)

Call to Worship ♦

Julia Tulloch

One: God is our refuge and strength,

Many: a very present help in trouble.

One: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

Many: though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

One: though its waters roar and foam,

Many: though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

One: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

Many: the holy habitation of the Most High.

One: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;

Many: God will help it when the morning dawns.

One: The Lord of hosts is with us;

Many: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Opening Hymn ♦

In Christ Alone (pg. 5, v. 1-3)

Opening Prayer

Julia Tulloch

Prayer Song

In Christ Alone (pg. 5, v. 4)

Message for All Ages

Amanda Munroe

Kids (4-11) are invited to participate in Sunday School in the Board Room following the Message for All Ages.

Song

Christ Loves Me (pg. 6)

Gospel Reading ♦

Ekama Eni, Lea Matthews

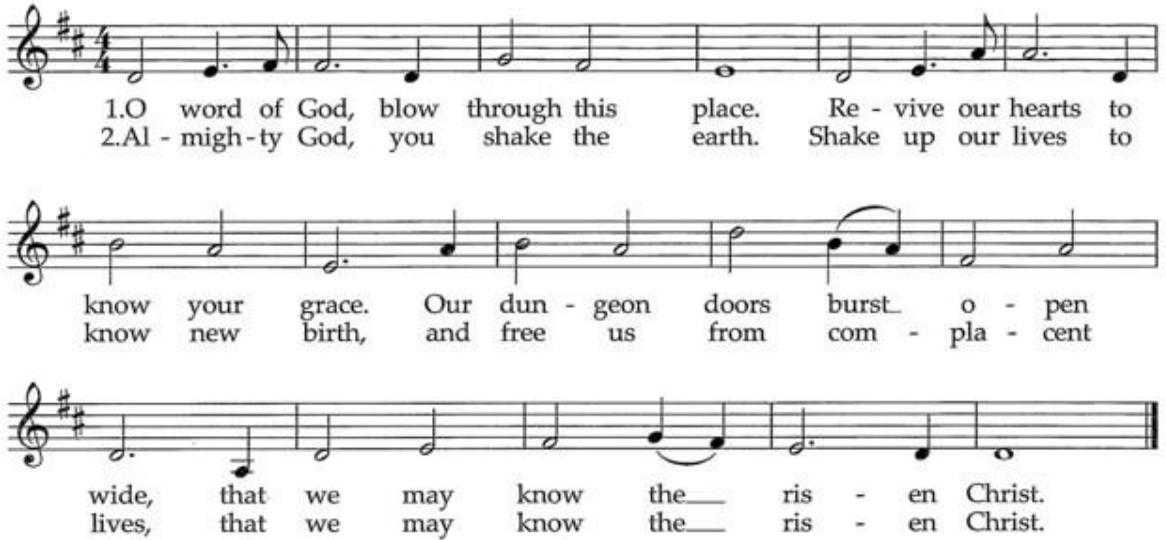
Acts 16: 16-34 (pg. 7)

Gospel Song ♦

Stand By Me (When the Storms of Life Are Raging) (pg. 8)

Sermon	K Karpen “An Incarcerated Incarnation”
Sermon Song	Keep Your Eyes on the Prize (pg. 4)
Morning Prayer The Lord’s Prayer	Andrea Steinkamp Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
Prayer Song	Steal Away To Jesus (pg. 8)
Love in Action	Ekama Eni (see pg. 11)
Offering Offertory	Of tithes, gifts and prayers (pg. 10) Chancel Choir Wesley/Balm (based on “Balm in Gilead” from <i>The Harp of Ages</i> , 1973) by Frank Glass
Prayer of Gratitude	Barb Rhodes
Closing Hymn ♦	I’ll Fly Away (pg. 9)
Benediction ♦	K Karpen
Postlude	Frank Glass Aeroplanes of Glory by James Walbert, 1929; arr. Frank Glass
Livestream	Red Gate Sound (video) Eddie Brandt (audio)
Audio	Hector Pagan
Greeters	Nancy Meyers, Cheryl Melchiorre, Julia Tulloch, David Wildman
Counters	Connie Coddington, Cheryl Melchiorre
Childcare	Jessie Floyd <i>Childcare (ages 1-3) is available in the Parlor.</i>

The Risen Christ



1.O word of God, blow through this place. Re - vive our hearts to
2.Al - migh - ty God, you shake the earth. Shake up our lives to
know your grace. Our dun - geon doors burst o - pen
know new birth, and free us from com - pla - cent
wide, that we may know the ris - en Christ.
lives, that we may know the ris - en Christ.

Words and music by Keith Getty and Phil Madeira, 2005

Alternate text by K Karpen, 2022

Keep Your Eyes on the Prize

Words: Mavis Staple/Pete Seeger, alt. Tune: Traditional

Paul and Silas, bound in jail Had no money to go their bail
Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on
Paul and Silas thought they were lost Dungeon shook and the chains come off
Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on
Hold on, hold on, Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on!

The only chains that we can stand Are the chains of hand in hand
Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on
Got our hands on the gospel plow Won't take nothing for the journey now
Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on!
Hold on, hold on, Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on!

Now only thing that we did wrong Was staying in the wilderness too long
Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on
The only thing that we did right Was the day we began to fight
Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on
Hold on, hold on, Keep your eyes on the prize, hold on

In Christ Alone



1. In Christ a-lone, my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song. This cor - ner
2. In Christ a-lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help - less babe. This gift of
3. There in the ground, his bo - dy lay, light of the world by dark - ness slain. Then burst-ing



stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the fier - cest drought and storm. What heights of
love and righ-teous-ness scorned by the ones he came to save. 'Til on that
forth, in glo - rious day, up from the grave he rose a - gain! And as he



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease. My com-fort-
cross, as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; for ev - 'ry
stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am



er, my all - in - all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
sin on him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.
his, and he is mine, bought by the pre-cious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death: this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry till final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme or plan can ever pluck me from his hand.
Till he returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2002

Christ Loves Me



1.Shack - led by a heav - y bur den,___ 'neath a load of guilt and shame,
2.Since I met this bless - ed Sav - ior,___ since Christ cleansed and made me whole,



— then the love of Je - sus reached me___ and now I am no long - er the
— I will nev - er cease my prais - es. ___ I'll shout them while e - ter - ni - ty



same. *Christ loves me, O Christ loves me___ and O the joy that floods my soul!_*
rolls.



— *Some - thing___ hap - pened and now I*



know. Christ loves me and makes___ me whole._____

Words and music by William Gaither, 1963

Alternate lyrics by K Karpen, 2022

Reading from Acts 16: 16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met an enslaved girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These people are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.” ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These two are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” ³¹ They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in that house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

*The Word of God for the people of God, **thanks be to God.***

When the Storms of Life Are Raging

1. When the storms of life are rag - ing, stand by me. When the
3. In the midst of faults and fail - ures, stand by me. In the
4. In the midst of per - se - cu - tion, stand by me. In the

storms of life are rag - ing, stand by me. When the world is toss - ing me like a
midst of faults and fail - ures, stand by me. When I've done the best I can and my
midst of per - se - cu - tion, stand by me. When my foes in war ar - ray un - der

ship up - on the sea, thou who rul - est wind and wat - er, stand by me.
friends mis - un - der - stand, thou who know - est all a - bout me, stand by me.
take to stop my way, thou who sav - ed Paul and Si - las, stand by me.

Words and Music by Charles Albert Tindley, 1906

Steal Away to Jesus

Refrain

Steal a-way, steal a-way, steal a-way to Je - sus. Steal a-way,
steal a-way home. I ain't got long to stay here. 1. My Lord, you call me. You
call me by the thun - der; the trum - pet sounds with -
in my soul. I ain't got long to stay here.

African American Spiritual, arranged by William Farley Smith, 1986

I'll Fly Away



1. Some glad morn-ing when this life is o'er, I'll fly a-way.
2. When the sha-dows of this life have gone, I'll fly a-way.
3. Just a few more wea-ry days and then, I'll fly a-way.



To a home on God's ce - les - tial shore, I'll fly a way.
Like a bird from pri - son bars has flown, I'll fly a-way. *I'll fly a-*
To a land where joys shall know no end, I'll fly a-way.



way, O glo - ry! I'll fly a-way. When I die, hal - le-



lu - jah, by and by, I'll fly a - way.

Albert Edward Brumley, 1932

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Joys & Concerns

Joy & Thanksgiving

Connie's gratitude for Joanne, the founder of Dancing Dreams, and for their work with challenged young people.

Peggy, and all of us grateful for her well-being

Connect and Care groups

Good news regarding answered prayers (travel, housing, support, family gatherings, building community, wisdom)

Prayer of thanksgiving for Lizbee's graduation

Alicia, satisfaction and joy for good timing and fit in her schedule

Joy & celebration for Elizabeth's Dad John's 87th Birthday

Gratitude that Stella, Rose's Mom was able to enjoy the blessings of her trip to her granddaughters graduation

Healing & Health

Marianne's friend Susan who is struggling with depression

Keyona W, mother of twin boys and a high school friend of Mary, facing a second surgery for colon cancer

Herschel N, father of Mary's high school friend Stephanie, recovering from open-heart surgery with a tracheotomy and on a ventilator

Kathryn's friend Debbie, improving some, but still in hospice care

Continued healing for Gianna,

recovering from a serious car accident, and prayers for the support of her family and friends

Ekama's Uncle Charlie, healing and doing well after surgery

Miss Barbara who recently had successful emergency heart surgery and for her full recovery for this active senior and renewed joy with family

Shirley to recover from a stroke and to get all the aid necessary to live in our own place

Healing for Sam and for resolution to his heart issues and for continued strength for Erna

That people take precautions to limit COVID spread, and prayers of good health for people who contract COVID

Comfort

Support and discernment for Mary Ellen's friend Lynn as she tries to re-establish her life after surgery

Healing and peace to Deborah and Paul as they mourn the death of their son Eric

Work and Life

Russian opposition politician Alexei Navalny

Jan H and her sister

Amanda's friend Joe Kuilema and family after Joe's job loss

The people and city of Grand Rapids

Ariana for renewed strength, expectations of satisfaction and appreciation for her within marriage/family life

Youth Self Development (NJ) as the group strategizes on being effective in supporting high school students for higher education (post pandemic)

Continued prayers for Indigenous communities and their ability to maintain a good relationship with the earth. Prayers that the rest of us learn from them.

Prayers for people negotiating difficult work situations and hope for good resolutions and satisfaction.

Peace & Justice

Citing St. Paul let us "pray without ceasing" for the people of Ukraine; and for all world leaders as they work to negotiate a way out that limits destruction, violence and suffering

Continued prayers that churches are able to clearly discern the best ways to help the people of Ukraine,

For all those who live with and experience climate anxiety

For a peaceful and just Presidential election in Colombia

Prayers for the launching on May 1st of the Global Methodist Church and may they be reminded of their ministry and not interfere with what God is already doing.



Prayer requests

Scan this QR code to share your joys and concerns, or write them on the back of a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to be shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.



Gifts & Offerings

Your Gifts make church happen! If you would like to make a contribution, visit stpaulandstandrew.org/give, scan the QR code, or text "Give" to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be dropped into the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.

Putting Our Love in Action

Church Choir The Choir has resumed weekly rehearsals on Sunday at 9:30am in the Chapel, and sings during the 11am service. For details, drop Frank an email (see pg. 12)

Sunday School Our Sunday morning Sunday School get-togethers will be in person on the 1st & 2nd Sundays of the month after the Message for All Ages. Beginning in May, we'll connect on Zoom on the 3rd Sunday and 5th Sundays of the month, also following the Message for All Ages during the service. Playground Church at Hippo Park will continue on the 4th Sunday of the Month at 11am. Got that? For details, email Pastor Lea (see pg. 12)

Pajama Prayers our Tuesday morning gathering on Zoom for communal prayer at 7:30am; come as you are

with whatever is on your heart.
Meeting: 865 7245 3828
Phone: 929-436-2866

Pilates on Thursday at 6, Nancy leads a Pilates class on Zoom.
Zoom Meeting: 883 8549 1695
Passcode: 585042

Bible Study: SPSA and Memorial UMC in White Plains collaborates again for a six week study using *We Cry Justice: Reading the Bible with the Poor People's Campaign*, as we prepare our hearts and minds for the March on Washington with the PPC on June 18. *Thurs. at 7pm; May 12-June 16*
Meeting ID: 897 6769 9875
Passcode: 435644

Shakespeare with Benefits (Theater)
A Bard-based variety show for Ukraine.

Tickets: shakespearewithbenefits.org
Tue. May 10 at 7:00pm

Five Extravagant Themes (Dance)
Morgan Griffin presents 'Five Extravagant Themes' at the West End Theater, a culminating thesis performance for her MFA at NYU Tisch
Weds. May 11 and 18 at 8:00pm

A Cinema in the Church New Plaza Cinema presents films Thursday-Sunday in the West End Theatre. Visit newplazacinema.org for showtimes

A Memorial for Ressie Mae Join us on Saturday, May 14 at 1pm as we remember our beloved Ressie Mae Bass, who passed on January 2. The memorial will be live streamed for those who are not able to attend in person. youtu.be/xNgGavc8JO4

Re-Creating Through Eastertide

* **RSVP for May 9 & 15 by emailing Lea at lea@stpaulandstandrew.org**

Explore a Garden that Gathers Community | RSVP*

Monday, May 9 from 6-7:30pm
The curator of our Eastertide programming, Lhana Örményi, will lead us in creating "a sights and sounds landscape," as well as a solar drawing. You don't want to miss this! These activities will help bring our awareness to all that is offered in the Community Garden at 8 West 104th Street. Our time will conclude with a guided meditation.

Urban Farm Field Trip | RSVP*

Sunday, May 15 from 1-2:30pm
All are invited to join us for a picnic and program at the incredible New Roots Community Farm in the Bronx. Bring a bagged lunch with you to church and we'll leave right after worship. Following our picnic lunch, community member, Lhana Örményi, will take us on our tour of the farm, teach us about pollinators, and then guide us through

a group scavenger hunt of the pollinators present at the farm. We'll conclude our time with a brief theological reflection of what we've learned and how it connects to our role as co-creators with God. Let us know you're coming!

Travel to 670 Grand Concourse: 2/3 to 149th Grand Concourse; walk north on Grand Concourse to 153rd St. Parking available on Sunday

Ongoing Gardening Opportunity

Saturdays from 10am-noon
Anybody up for some dirt therapy? Join the Friends of Verdi Square, a group of volunteers who meet each Saturday (weather permitting) at 72nd St and Broadway to work on the gardens on either side of the plaza in front of the subway entrance. Dig, plant, weed, water, or do whatever needs to be done. Tools are provided. Drop by to join or just see and say hello. Look for Nancy Meyers, our ambassador in the group.



Meet Lhana Örményi, Curator of the Re-creating Programming Lhana is the Technical Director of The Glicker-Milstein Theatre at Barnard College. In addition to their work as a theatrical electrician, carpenter, and set and lighting designer, Lhana is a beekeeper, community gardener, environmental educator, and mixed-media doodler. Lhana's background in public programming and informal environmental education is founded on a commitment to urban environmental justice. Lhana previously worked as Education & Program Operations Coordinator at Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy and served on the Manhattan Land Trust board of directors.

Who's Who

Pastors

Rev. Dr. K Karpen*
Rev. Lea Matthews*

Director of Operations

Brent Ness*

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Danny Aponte*

Minister of Music

Dr. Frank Glass*

Youth & Campus Pastor

Ekama Eni*

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Apr. 30: Beethoven's 9th Symphony



May 1: Worship Service



Check out upcoming Re-Creating Through Easter programs on p. 11