

ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

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
Andrea Steinkamp
Pastors

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024
11:00 a.m.



Lea is sung "Happy Birthday" at Miracle Monday

Sunday, February 11, 2024 ♦ Transfiguration Sunday

♦ *Please rise in body or spirit*

Prelude	Frank Glass Little Light African American Spiritual, arr. Frank Glass (2020)
Introit	Holy Ground (pg. 4)
Call To Worship ♦	Karen Collins One: Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop. Many: Help us to look forward to where you want us to go. One: We are brought here today to glimpse the hope that Christ has for us. Many: Open our hearts to receive that hope. One: We are brought here today to be healed of our fears. Many: Heal us, Lord Jesus, with your love and power. One: Come, let us receive the vision and healing love of God. Many: Praise be to God who continues to bless and restore us. One: Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love. Many: Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious directions. One: As morning is breaking all around us, Many: We gather to sing praises to you.
Opening Hymn (185)♦	When Morning Gilds the Skies (pg. 5, v. 1-3)
Opening Prayer	Karen Collins
Prayer Song (185)	When Morning Gilds the Skies (pg. 5, v. 4)
Scripture	Nancy Meyers I Kings 19: 3-12 (pg. 4)
Hymn (103)	Immortal, Invisible (pg. 6, v. 1-2)
Message for All Ages	Ekama Eni <i>Youth & kids are invited up front to the chancel. After the scripture, kids 10 and under are invited to Sunday School in the Youth Room (3rd Fl).</i>
Hymn (534)	Immortal, Invisible (pg. 6, v. 4)
Gospel Reading ♦	Pearl Verduyze & Lea Matthews Mark 9: 2-9; 14-29 (pg. 7)
Gospel Song (258)♦	O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair (pg. 6, v. 1-2)

Sermon	K Karpen “What Are You Doing Here?”
Sung Response (454)	Open My Eyes That I May See (pg. 8, v. 1-2)
Morning Prayer The Lord’s Prayer	Kate Baum 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	Open My Eyes That I May See (pg. 8, v. 3)
Welcome Passing the Peace ♦	K Karpen <i>Please greet those right around you with ‘Peace be with you’.</i>
Peace Song ♦ <i>A “repeat after me” song</i>	We come from the Mountain, high up on the mountain Come back to the Mountain, turn the world around. We come from the Spirit, all of us, the Spirit, Only can the Spirit turn the world around!
Love in Action	Aurora Celestin (pg. 12)
Offering Offertory	<i>Of tithes, gifts, and prayers</i> (pg. 9-10) Chancel Choir Sometimes a Light Surprises William Cowper (1779) & Frank Glass (2024)
Prayer of Gratitude	Barb Rhodes
Sending Song (704) ♦	Steal Away (pg. 9)
Benediction ♦	K Karpen
Postlude	Frank Glass There Is Sunshine In My Soul Today Eliza Hewitt & John Sweney (1887)
Livestream Audio Counters Greeters Childcare	Brent Ness (director), Chaz Pittman/Red Gate Sound (video) Hector Pagan Connie Coddington, Cheryl Melchiorre Erna Daniels, Shirley Struchen Childcare (ages 1-3) with Al-Naima Finch is available <i>Check in with Al at the reception desk at W86th Entrance.</i>

Holy Ground

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy Ground'. It consists of three staves of music in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: 'We are stand- ing on ho - ly ground, and I know that there are'. The second staff contains: 'an- gels all a round. Let us praise Je - sus now.'. The third staff contains: 'We are stand- ing in his pres- ence on ho - ly ground.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes.

Words and Music: Geron Davis, 1983

Scripture Reading: I Kings 19: 3-12

³ Elijah was afraid and fled for his life; he took his servant and went to Beersheba in Judah. Leaving the servant there, ⁴ Elijah walked a whole day into the wilderness. He stopped and sat down in the shade of a tree and wished he would die. “It’s too much, LORD,” he prayed. “Take away my life; I might as well be dead!”

⁵ He lay down under the tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said, “Wake up and eat.” ⁶ He looked around and saw a loaf of bread and a jar of water near his head. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷ The LORD’s angel returned and woke him up a second time, saying, “Get up and eat, or the trip will be too much for you.” ⁸ Elijah got up, ate and drank, and the food gave him enough strength to walk forty days to Sinai, the holy mountain. ⁹ There he went into a cave to spend the night.

Suddenly the LORD spoke to him, “Elijah, what are you doing here?”

¹⁰ He answered, “LORD God Almighty, I have al-

ways served you—you alone. But the people of Israel have broken their covenant with you, torn down your altars, and killed all your prophets. I am the only one left—and they are trying to kill me!”

¹¹ “Go out and stand before me on top of the mountain,” the LORD said to him. Then the LORD passed by and sent a furious wind that split the hills and shattered the rocks—but the LORD was not in the wind. The wind stopped blowing, and then there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² After the earthquake there was a fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire there was the soft whisper of a voice.

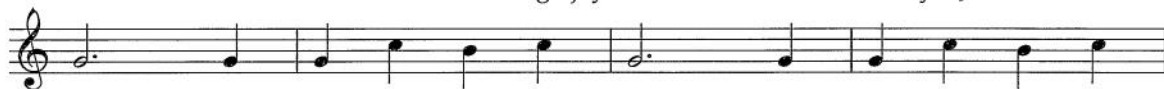
¹³ When Elijah heard it, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. A voice said to him, “Elijah, what are you doing here?”

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

When Morning Gilds the Skies



1. When morn-ing gilds the skies, — my heart a - wak-ing cries: "May Je - sus Christ be
 2. The night be - comes as day, — when from the heart we say: "May Je - sus Christ be
 3. Let all the earth a - round — ring joy - ous with the sound: "May Je - sus Christ be



praised!" A - like at work and pray'r, to Je - sus I re -
 praised!" The pow'rs of dark - ness fear, when this sweet chant they
 praised!" In heav'n's e - ter - nal bliss, the love - liest strain is



pair. May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 hear: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 this: May Je - sus Christ be praised!

4. Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
 Be this th'eternal song through all the ages long: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"

Katholisches Gesangbuch, c. 1744
 Translated by Edward Caswall, 1854
 and (Verse 3) Robert Bridges, 1899

Joseph Barnby, 1868

Homework Help on Wednesday



Immortal, Invisible



1.Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, in light in - ac - ces - si - ble,
2.Un - rest - ing, un - hast - 'ning, and si - lent as light, nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou
4.Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou dwell - est in light. Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all



hid from our eyes, most bless - ed, most glor - ious, the An - cient of
rul - est in might. Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a -
veil - ing their sight. All laud we would ren - der. O help us to



Days, al - migh - ty, vic - tor - ious, thy great name we praise.
bove thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
see 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

Welsh melody from *Canaidau y Cyssegr*

Adapted by John Roberts, 1839

O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair



1.O won - drous sight! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry that the church shall
2.From age to age, the tale de - clares how with the three dis - ci - ples



share, which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows, where
there, where Mo - ses and E - li - jah meet, the



bright - er than the sun he glows!
Lord holds con - verse high and sweet.

Sarum Breviary, 1495

Willaim Knapp, 1738

Translated by John Mason Neale, 1851

Gospel Reading: Mark 9: 2-9; 14-29

² Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one ^[b] on earth could brighten them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Child, the Beloved; ^[c] listen to him!” ⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen... ¹⁴ When they came to the other disciples, they saw a great crowd around them and some scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ When the whole crowd saw Jesus, they were immediately overcome with awe, and they ran forward to greet him. ¹⁶ Jesus asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” ¹⁷ Someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought you my son; he has a spirit that makes him unable to speak, ¹⁸ and whenever it seizes him, it dashes him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid, and I asked your disciples to cast it out, but they could not do so.” ¹⁹ He answered them, “You faithless generation, how

much longer must I be with you? How much longer must I put up with you? Bring him to me.” ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. When the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth.

²¹ Jesus asked the father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. ²² It has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you are able to do anything, help us! Have compassion on us!” ²³ Jesus said to him, “If you are able! All things can be done for the one who believes.” ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out, ^[d] “I believe; help my unbelief!” ²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You spirit that keeps this boy from speaking and hearing, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again!” ²⁶ After crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he was able to stand. ²⁸ When Jesus had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” ²⁹ He said to them, “This kind can come out only through prayer.”

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Open My Eyes, That I May See



1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voi - ces of truth thou send - est clear.
 3. O - pen my mouth and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth ev - 'ry - where.



Place in my hands the won-derful key that shall un-clasp and set me free.
 And while the wave-notes fall on my ear, ev - 'ry-thing false will dis - ap - pear.
 O - pen my heart and let me pre-pare love with thy child-ren thus to share.



Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.
 Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.
 Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.



O - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! _____
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! _____
 O - pen my heart, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! _____

Words and Music: Clara Scott, 1895

Miracle Monday Migrant Resource Fair



Clothing



Reduced Fair Metro Cards




Presentation by Manhattan DA office




Lea

Steal Away

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 calls me. He
2. Green trees a-bend-ing, poor
3. My Lord calls me. He



calls me by the thun-der; the trum-pet sounds with-
sin-ners stand a-trem-bling; the trum-pet sounds with-
calls my by the light-ning; the trum-pet sounds with-



in my soul. I ain't got long to stay here.
in my soul. I ain't got long to stay here.
in my soul. I ain't got long to stay here.

Words and Music: African American Spiritual



Gifts & Offerings

If you would like to make a contribution, visit stpaulandstandrew.org/give, scan the QR code, or text the amount of your donation to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be placed in the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.



Welcome!

If you are new to our community, we'd love to keep in touch, and invite you to fill out a Connect Card at the Welcome Table, or scan this QR code to complete a Connect Card ne. Thank you for joining us today!

Joys & Concerns

Joy & Thanksgiving

Aurora's wonderful sermon filled with wisdom and humor
For a well-attended Church Council meeting
For the joy of spiritual growth together
For the joy of Jesus in our hearts
For our health which we often take for granted
Welcome Christopher T, our new Facilities Manager
For the people who are organizing demonstrations in support of Palestine and its people
Much gratitude to David W for sharing his witness and work with us in our Spiritual Call and Response for Palestine service

Health & Healing

Eker, healing from a broken thumb
For cousin Denise's Aunt Louise, dealing with pancreatic cancer
For Tony dealing with severe glaucoma
Kathryn DeL, for recovery from persistent illness
Continued prayers for Keyona W, and her treatment for colon cancer
Jen (JJ) G, for upcoming minor surgery

Continued prayer for Morris G's health and spirit

Comfort

For Isaiah G, a young boy in Dancing Dreams who passed away unexpectedly, comfort for all who mourn his loss: his family, his aide, his student help and Connie C
For Shirley B, moving into hospice care
Dorothy Q, mourning her son Bill and Amy Jo and her family as they mourn their friend
The Bibb family mourning the loss of Danielle
Lea's friends, Ye & Tricia mourning Tricia's mother

Work & Life

For Julia and her fellow lawyers at the DA's office, after the police and migrant altercations last week
Anthony, studying for the bar
Aurora, for a good semester at Union Theological Seminary; and her halfway review in the spring
To find a way to be a little more hopeful about all that's happening in the world

Peace & Justice

That the UN's Palestine relief organization (UNRWA) gets the funding necessary to address the humanitarian needs of the Palestinians in Gaza
Prayers for all the people of Palestine
Prayers for refugees here and around the world
For a humane policy for the migrants in our city
For an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and in the Middle East
An end to ethnic cleansing and genocide anywhere it is happening
For the end of violence and suffering in the Israel and Palestine; and all those around the world feeling hopeless as to how to end the carnage.
The U.N., their shelters, and all of the doctors providing care in Israel and Gaza
Peace and understanding in the U.S. among people of all faiths.
Intentional prayers that we may all be able to look through other lens in time of strife and war.
Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, Afghanistan, all suffering places around world
For an end to violence in our city



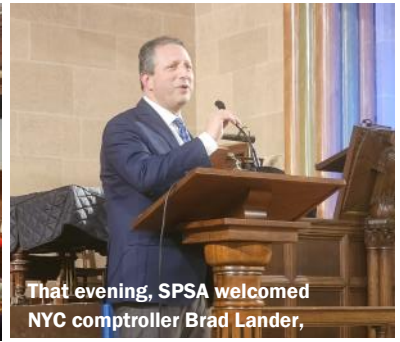
Prayer requests

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.

Shabbat Kiddush & Havdalah



SAJ held the synagogue's Kiddush Lunch in sanctuary in the afternoon



That evening, SPSA welcomed NYC comptroller Brad Lander,



Ruth Messinger,



Charlie Davidson & Judy Bass,



Cantor Sam Rosen,



and other Jewish leaders for a Refugee Shabbat Havdalah

Sunday Worship & Church Council Meeting



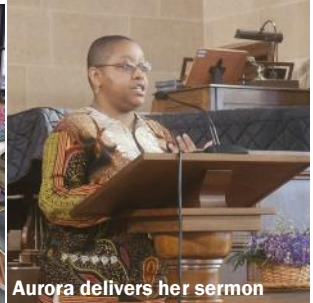
All set for Communion



Andrea gives the message for all ages



Sunday School



Aurora delivers her sermon



Jon Deak reads scripture



Arelis & La Iglesia del Pueblo worshipped in the Chapel



K & Lea at Church Council



Jorge Lockward shares insight about the upcoming General Conference

Who's Who

Pastors

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

Director of Operations

Brent Ness*

Facility Manager

Christopher Trombly

Minister of Music

Dr. Frank Glass*

Youth & Campus Pastor

Ekama Eni*

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Bookkeeper

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Putting Love in Action

Bishop's Day in the District, Monday, February 12, 6:30 pm, New Rochelle UMC. See K if you are interesting in attending

Shrove Tuesday Pancakes at the Parsonage! Join us on February 13th, 6pm, at K & Charlene's home (550 West End Avenue) for a traditional pancake supper.

Ash Wednesday, February 14th! We'll distribute ashes during the day, then gather for worship with our friends at Church of the Village, 13th St & 7th Ave. at 7:30pm.

40+ Days of Centering Prayer
Centering Prayer is a form of meditation that can transform lives through helping us quiet our "monkey minds", let go, and become available to the Divine source. This introduction to the contemplative Christian tradition will be led by our very own Kate Baum. *Feb 14-Mar 28 from 7-7:15am on Zoom*
Meeting ID: 88507997676
Password: 070774

Connect & Care 7.0 Registration is open for our spiritually supportive small groups, which are essential to our community, increasing us in love, connection, and faith. There is a variety of options for what day and time the groups meet, whether you meet in-person or on Zoom, and if you meet weekly or bi-monthly. You can pick the one that fits your life and schedule. This session starts on Sunday, February 25th and goes through Sunday, June 23rd. Register: loveinaction.churchcenter.com/groups/small-groups

Ongoing Programs

Chancel Choir meets each Sunday at 10am. See Frank for details.

Campus Ministry meets each Monday, 7pm at Broadway Presbyterian (114th). Email Ekama* for additional details.

Pajama Prayers our Tuesday prayer gathering on Zoom at 7:30am. Come as you are with whatever is on your heart. Meeting ID : 831 7700 2923
Phone: 646-931-3860

Pilates with Nancy a strengthening & stretching class on Zoom, Thursdays, 5:30pm. Email Brent* for details.

Kids & Families Email Pastor Andrea* for details on upcoming gatherings. Our next Faith & Fun Friday is Mar 10.

Youth Group Email Pastor Ekama* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Young Adults Email Pastor Andrea* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Volunteer Opportunities

Assisting Our New Neighbors Sign up to help with Miracle Monday via Lotsa Helping Hands (tinyurl.com/4et6b662). Accepting clothing Feb 11 & 12.

Homework Help Tutoring Wednesday evenings (6-7pm). We are working with many new arrivals, and we could use your help. Please see Charlene (charlenefloyd@aol.com)

TOP Clubhouse volunteers help members as they complete tasks alongside program staff to fulfill the work of the Clubhouse and build confidence and self-esteem, and alleviate isolation, To volunteer, email mrahman@goddard.org

Other Good Stuff in the Building Carnegie Hall Citywide

- Feb 25 (Sun), 4pm: Joseph Parrish, bass-baritone & Shawn Chang,