



Sunday Worship Celebration

APRIL 10, 2022 • 11:45 AM

PALM / PASSION SUNDAY

• GATHERING •

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Jacqui Lewis

HYMN

“Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”
Jerriese Johnson Gospel Choir

(Williams Williams)

Guide me, O my great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,
where the healing waters flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
ever be my strength and shield,
ever be my strength and shield.

Text BULLETIN to 833-786-0733 to receive this week's bulletin to your smart device.

When I reach the River Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on heaven's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever sing to you,
I will ever sing to you.

• REFLECTING •

Selections from Jesus Christ Superstar by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice

"Heaven on Their Minds" Judas – Sophia Ramos

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES "What's the Buzz?"
Marte Samuelstuen
Jesus – Michael Quattrone
Mary – Olive Demetrius
Village Chorus for Children and Youth

"Everything's Alright"
Jesus – Michael Quattrone
Mary – Aly Palmer
Judas – Sophia Ramos

PASSING OF THE PEACE "This Jesus Must Die" Allison Sniffin, organist

SCRIPTURE John 12.12–13 Amanda Hambrick Ashcraft

"Hosanna"
Caiaphus – Jonathan Lucas
Jesus – Michael Quattrone
Jerriese Johnson Gospel Choir

"I Don't Know How to Love Him" Mary – Riqi Vélez

"The Last Supper"
Jesus – Michael Quattrone
Judas – Sophia Ramos
Ensemble

"Gethsemane" Jesus – Michael Quattrone

• RESPONDING •

HOMILY “What Kind of People Will We Be?”

Jacqui Lewis

INVITATION TO JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Deborah Berg McCarthy
Patrick Mulcahy

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HYMN “Completely Yes”

(Sarah Crouch)

Jerriese Johnson Gospel Choir • Tina Cernero, soloist

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord,
From the bottom of my heart
To the depths of my soul.
Yes, Lord, completely yes;
My soul says yes.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord,
From the bottom of my heart
To the depths of my soul.
Yes, Lord, completely yes;
My soul says yes.

I love You, I love You,
From the bottom of my heart
To the depths of my soul.
I love you, I really do;
My soul says yes.

Not my will, but Thy will be done,
No more I but it's You, Christ that lives inside.
Lord, I give my everything, my everything to You,
And I'm yielded completely through and through.

Not my will, but Thy will be done,
No more I but it's You, Christ that lives inside.
I surrender my everything to You,
And I'm yielded completely through and through,

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord,
From the bottom of my heart
To the depths of my soul.

Yes, Lord, completely yes;
My soul says yes.

BENEDICTION

Jacqui Lewis

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPATING IN THE CELEBRATION • For all credits, visit [YouTube.com/MiddleChurch](https://www.youtube.com/MiddleChurch).

Middle Church Choir • Tami L. Petty D.M.A., Director — Beth Hatton, Ann Wazelle, Melissa Casey José, Joslyn King, Nedra Neal, Matthew Deming, Eric Lamp, John Kawa, Robert Hughes, Mark Rehnstrom, Wesley Rowell, Charles Brown

Jerriese Johnson Gospel Choir • John Del Cueto, Director

Village Chorus for Children and Youth • John Del Cueto, Director — Tomoki Harada, Genevieve Jean Charles, Josephine Jean Charles, Brooks Leslie, Dominick Vizioli, Jonah Carter Smith, Caelyn Osbern, Lucien Tanner, Ellington Tanner, Talin Schell, Cerentha Cook, Claire Demas, Soraya Gibson

Organ/Violin • Allison Sniffin

Middle Church Band • Dionne McClain-Freeney, piano; Jeremy Price, Hammond organ; BAASSIK, bass; Bernice Brooks, drums; Hajime Yoshida, electric guitar

Rod Rodgers Dance Company • Kim Grier-Martinez, Artistic Director – Jendaya Dash, Jamal Green, Nami Kagami, Lauren Sion



Holy Week at Middle Church

[CLICK HERE](#) for information

Sermon in Action

THIS WEEK: WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE WILL WE BE?

- Where do you see conflict between these two realms on the political stage? In the media? In your personal life?
- What can you do to enact the values God's reign: in your family? in social media? in your everyday life?

LAST WEEK: THUS SAYS THE LORD

- What is God telling you in this wilderness journey?
- When you look around your life, where, what, or who has God provided that has been a way in the wilderness or a river in the desert?
- Through the prophet Isaiah God declares to be doing a new thing. Do you perceive it?

PRAYER CORNER *Please pray with us this week for these people and concerns.*

We are praying for all our Middle family every day.

Gloria Cunningham Burgess Alicia Swain Janna Myers Sheila Robinson Renee Cunningham Marshall Drexel Cunningham Valencia Armijio Brittany Davis Reddick Cunningham Sheila Harding Skip Reid Amanda Ashcraft Jacqui Lewis Pam Payne Family Marc Aronson Mia McClain Bridget Kelso Anthony Joe Tigner Robert Cunningham Vallory Leca Devora Jones Louise Tatum Michael Bos Connie Acquaaah Darrell Hamilton Ben Perry Cori Margolin Joy Rosenthal Dolly Catherine Vail Jessie Matei Darron and Marian Cunningham Ukraine and The Raider Nation

To make a prayer request, request a call from a Middle pastor, or inquire about financial assistance, visit middlechurch.org/prayer/.



FIERCE LOVE IN A HYBRID WORLD
A TWO-DAY CONVENING
SAT. APRIL 23 & SUN. APRIL 24

 **LEARN MORE: MIDDLECHURCH.ORG/HYBRID** 

Welcome to Middle Church

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, we invite you to return often and make Middle Church a home for you, your family, and friends. Sign up for updates or weekly emails at middlechurch.org.

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VIDEOS AND PODCASTS — Worship music and sermon videos: youtube.com/MiddleNYC.
Re-watch the Worship Celebration livestream: facebook.com/MiddleCollegiateChurch.
Middle Church podcast: middlechurch.org/podcasts.

GIVING AT MIDDLE—

Dear Middle Family —

We're making good strides on achieving our congregational goal of \$1,050,000 in contributions (that's 50% of our operating budget) this year to fund our ministry programming. **We're well beyond the half-way mark in our programming and fiscal year and, to date, we have received \$726,252.09.** We are so grateful for the ways you show up to power this ministry which allows us to continue being love in action to heal our world!

Please take a moment to let us know how you plan to invest in this movement this year by using the options below, or by contacting our Stewardship Director, Devon Mosley (stewardship@middlechurch.org) to discuss your giving plan.

We are SO excited about what is in store for this community in 2022 as we continue to claim and reframe Christianity from a place of Love. Period.

Love—

Jacqui, Darren Johnston—Consistory Chair, and the entire Middle Church Consistory

To support our ongoing ministry, programs, and operations:

- Visit middlechurch.org/donate
- Venmo @MiddleCollegiateChurch

To support our Middle Rising rebuilding efforts as we continue plans for our future space:

- Visit middlechurch.org/rising
- Venmo @MiddleRising

To mail contributions to Middle Church, please address them to:

- Middle Collegiate Church, Attn: Stewardship Dept.
240 East 10th Street—Suite 8C, New York, NY 10003

Charitable Giving may require use of Middle Collegiate Church's EIN: 13-5564117 (aka "Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York")

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Middle Events Calendar

All events are listed in ET unless noted.

Visit middlechurch.org for details and the latest updates.

Registration for all programming ends 1 hour before the event begins, so be sure to RSVP!

EVERY DAY: Prayer Phone—Call 212-477-0666 and press 4 for English or press 5 for Spanish to hear a weekly prayer, scripture, and reflection from a Middle pastor. Updated Mondays, 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

- 10:00 a.m.: [Kids Sunday Enrichment](#)
- 10:00 a.m.: [Bible in the Middle](#)
- 10:30 a.m.: [New Members Gathering](#)
- 11:45 a.m.: [Digital Worship Celebration: Palm / Passion Sunday—Jesus Christ Superstar](#) — *NO in-person worship*
- 12:45 p.m.: [Virtual Chat & Chew](#)
- 1:30 p.m.: [Usher and Volunteer Training at East End Temple](#)

MONDAY, APRIL 11

- 6:30 p.m.: [Acting Class](#)
- 9:00 p.m.: [Just Be](#)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

- 8:00 a.m.: [Pray to Rise](#)
- 7:30 p.m.: [Queer Black Men](#)

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

- 1:00 p.m.: [New Adventures](#)
- 6:00 p.m.: [Young Adults Small Group](#)
- 6:30 p.m.: [Creative Writing Group](#)
- 7:00 p.m.: [Jerriese Johnson Gospel Choir](#)
- 7:00 p.m.: [Digital Worship Celebration: Maundy Thursday](#) — *NO in-person worship*

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

- 12:00 p.m.: [Digital Worship Celebration: Good Friday](#) — *NO in-person worship*

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

- 7:00 p.m.: [Digital Worship Celebration: Holy Saturday](#) — *NO in-person worship*

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

- 10:00 a.m.: [EASTER Worship Celebration IN-PERSON at East End Temple!](#)
- 10:00 a.m.: [Kids Sunday Enrichment](#)
- 10:00 a.m.: [Bible in the Middle](#)
- 10:00 a.m.: [Voter Reform Project](#)
- 11:00 a.m.: [Children's Easter Eggstravaganza](#)
- 11:45 a.m.: [EASTER Worship Celebration ONLINE and IN-PERSON at East End Temple!](#)
- 12:45 p.m.: [Virtual Chat & Chew](#)

FOR MORE INFORMATION about Middle Church events, activities, and the latest updates, scan the code below with your smartphone camera.



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Rev. Darrell Hamilton – *Executive Minister of Care and Operations*

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Rev. Natalie Renee Perkins – *Director of Digital Ministry*

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