

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

### Join a Sunday Serving Team

If you're looking to get more involved at Apostles Uptown, consider joining one of our Sunday Volunteer Teams! From Kids Ministry to Clean up, Connect Team to Worship Team, there are several areas to jump in and serve. Most serving teams require no prior experience, and commitment is one Sunday per month. Check "Sunday Serving Teams" on your connect card or visit [uptown.apostles.nyc/serve](http://uptown.apostles.nyc/serve).

### Easter Sacrificial Offering

As we celebrate Christ's lavish generosity to us in this Easter season, we are seeking to raise \$10,000 for mercy and justice initiatives here in the city. The money raised will go to support our ministry partner HFNY, who mobilizes volunteers and financial resources to support non-profit affiliates serving the poor and marginalized in New York City, to replenish our Apostles Uptown Benevolence Fund which meets the material needs of our congregation and those it is ministering to, and also to support our ministry partner Avail in their work of ministering to New Yorkers facing unplanned pregnancies. You can give in service today or at [uptown.apostles.nyc/give](http://uptown.apostles.nyc/give) (choose 'UptownESO' for giving type).

## GIVING UPDATE

	MARCH 2018		FY2017 YTD	
	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>
General Offerings	\$68,208	\$60,942	\$563,140	\$583,482
Total Income	\$68,279	\$61,531	\$565,440	\$588,777
Expenses	\$74,338	\$96,046	\$537,235	\$584,410

## WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Monday 4/16	Isaiah 57	Psalm 36	Matthew 4
Tuesday 4/17	Isaiah 58	Psalm 37	Matthew 5
Wednesday 4/18	Isaiah 59	Psalm 38	Matthew 6
Thursday 4/19	Isaiah 60	Psalm 39	Matthew 7
Friday 4/20	Isaiah 61	Psalm 40	Matthew 8
Saturday 4/21	Isaiah 62	Psalm 41	Matthew 9
Sunday 4/22	Isaiah 63	Psalm 42	Matthew 10

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP April 15th, 2018

Call to Worship

Worship with Song  
*Good, Right, & Perfect  
Almighty God*

Confession of Sin

Worship with Song  
*Give Reviving  
Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

Assurance of Pardon/Passing of Peace

Welcome

Announcements

Sermon: Nehemiah 8:1-9  
*Hearing God* | John Starke

The Lord's Supper

Worship with Song  
*King of My Heart*

Corporate Reading

Worship through Giving

Worship with Song  
*Rejoice*

Benediction

## Nehemiah 8:1-9

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[1] And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the Lord had commanded Israel. [2] So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. [3] And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. [4] And Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that they had made for the purpose. And beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiyah, and Maaseiah on his right hand, and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hashbaddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. [5] And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. [6] And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. [7] Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites, helped the people to understand the Law, while the people remained in their places. [8] They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

[9] And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law.

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### “Hearing God”

*Sermon Notes:*