



The People of Washington Avenue Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
gathered for the

## Worship of God

May 26, 2019 - 10:45 a.m.: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Chiming the Hour

Ms. Michele Eggleston

Greeting

Rev. Nathan Russell

The Lord is with you. **And with you also.**

We pass the friendship register as a way of welcoming one another to this time of sacred worship.

Call to Worship

Rev. Russell

Lift up your hearts...  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Prelude

*Chaconne in E minor*

Ms. Eggleston

Meditation of Preparation

"Gmorning!  
Shall we?  
Oh, I don't know the way either.  
Lemme just walk next to you."

--Lin-Manuel Miranda, @Lin\_Manuel

\*Hymn of Praise 231      *Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us*      HOLY MANNA

\*Invocation      Ms. Sue McKain

\*Gloria Patri 21      *Let the Whole Creation Cry*      LLANFAIR  
Let the whole creation cry, Alleluia! "Glory be to God on high!" Alleluia!  
Sun and moon, lift up your voice, Alleluia! Night and stars in God rejoice, Alleluia!

The First Reading      Acts 16:9-15      Ms. McKain  
For the Word of God we encounter through the words of scripture...  
**Thanks be to God.**

Hymn of Prayer 506      *Healer of Our Ev'ry Ill*      HEALER

Prayers of the People  
Healer of our every ill...  
**Give us peace beyond our fear.**

The Lord's Prayer      All  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. AMEN.**

Congregational Response 317      *Amen*      AMEN

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts      Ms. McKain  
Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.

Offertory      Ms. Eggleston

\*Doxology 50

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*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

The Children's Moment

Debbie Walker

Children age three through fifth grade depart for Children: Worship & Wonder afterwards.

Anthem

*Holy Spirit, Light Divine*

Chancel Choir

The Gospel Reading

John 14:23-29

Rev. Russell

For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Preparing to Make an Exit

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"May holy wisdom, kind to humanity, steadfast, sure and free, the breath of the power of God; may she who makes all things new, in every age, enter our souls, and make us friends of God through Jesus Christ. AMEN."

--Janet Morley, 20th-century British churchwoman

Hymn of Communion 405

SALZBURG

*In Memory of the Savior's Love*

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

The Elder's Prayer

Ms. Debby Willets

The Words of Institution

Mr. Chris Thomas

The fish is a symbol of the fellowship of Christian believers. Partake of the bread individually, symbolic of our redemption by God through Christ. The cup is received in unison with the prayer that we will forgive others as we have been forgiven by God.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

All

**Holy God, we have met the one who is the Christ at this table. We have kept the feast, now help us keep your commandments: To do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you as we go to love and serve from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth. Grant that your Holy Spirit, the Advocate, will come and teach us what we do not yet know so that we will be at peace even in the midst of trouble and fear. AMEN.**

Invitation to Discipleship		Rev. Russell
*Hymn of Discipleship 253		PLEADING SAVIOR
	<i>Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness</i>	
Affirmation of Responses		Rev. Russell
Pastoral Benediction and Charge		Rev. Russell
Postlude	<i>Fugue in c minor</i> And all the people said...	Ms. Eggleston
	<b>AMEN!</b>	

We Go to Love and Serve from Our Doorsteps to the Ends of the Earth

\*The people may rise in body and spirit as able.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Mon., 5/27: Memorial Day (church office closed)  
 Wed., 5/29: 5:30 p.m. - Inquirers Class gathering and Youth group (gr. 6-12) weekly supper meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal  
 Thu., 5/30: 6:00 p.m. - Nominating Committee meeting  
 Sat., 6/1: 8:30 a.m. - CROP Walk at Bur Oak Park

