

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

Worship of God

June 9, 2019 - 10:45 a.m.: Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

Dr. Robert Ebert

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.

Presentation from the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Rev. Eugene James

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

Prelude

Blessed Are Those Who Live in Faith

Dr. Ebert

Meditation of Preparation

"'And they were gathered together in one accord.' That line communicated what was held as sacred within our community: our togetherness, our unbreakable bond of living with and loving each other. We were in one accord. The joy of community was the gift of the Spirit."

--Keri L. Day, We need a Pentecost

*Hymn of Praise 237

On Pentecost They Gathered

MUNICH

*Invocation

Mr. Connor Sweeten

*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 Baptism of Evan Standen



The First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Mr. Sweeten

For the Word of God we encounter through the words of scripture...

Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Prayer 264

Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

ADAMS

Prayers of the People

In Your Spirit, O God...

There is comfort, help, and power.

The Lord's Prayer

Αll

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

Mr. Sweeten

Dr. Ebert

Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.

*Doxology 50

Offertory

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Anthem Here is Water, Lord

Chancel Choir

The Reading

Sermon

Genesis 11:1-9

Rev. Russell

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

Thanks be to God.

Discipline of Silence

Babel-On

Rev. Russell

"Pentecost invite[s] us to ponder this question: Will we be vulnerable and willing to experience holy disorientation—as the disciples did during ancient days, and white and black worshipers at Azusa Street did in modern days—in order to announce a new humanity? Will we allow our voices to speak a language of good news that can be heard by all people, especially those who are as vulnerable as the Jews of the diaspora were under the Roman imperial order and as countless people are under American empire today? Will we be open to this joy of Pentecost, the impossible gift of community now made possible through the work of the Spirit?"

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Hymn of Communion 289

What Is This Place

KOMT NU MET ZANG

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

The Words of Institution

Mr. Gerald Western

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

Αll

O God, we thank you for uniting us by baptism in the body of Christ and by this meal filling us with joy and hope. Grant that our lips which have sung your praises may speak the truth; our eyes which have seen your love may look with compassion on the needs of the world; our hands which have held this loaf and cup may be active in your service. We ask it in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

*Hymn of Discipleship 288

O God of Vision

LOBE DEN HERREN

Affirmation of Responses

Rev. Russell

Pastoral Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Dr Fbert

Postlude

Rondeau

And all the people said...

AMEN!

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

Today, 6/9: 12:00 noon - Pentecost luncheon celebrating our Inquirer and other new members

Mon., 6/10: 6:00 p.m. - Property Committee meeting

Tue., 6/11: 4:15 p.m. - Staff meeting

5:30 p.m. - Elders' supper meeting

7:00 p.m. - Board meeting

Thu., 6/13: 4:00 p.m. - Organist Search Committee meeting

Fri., 6/14: 12:00 noon - Committal of Gerald Smith

Sat., 6/15: Hot Meal served at Elyria Salvation Army (Cindy Johnson team)

Today's image is Vie de Jesus Mafa, Pentecost

