



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

Worship of God

June 16, 2019 – 9:30 a.m.: Trinity Sunday

Chiming the Hour

Dr. Harold Slocum

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.

Meditation of Preparation

"The name of God is the name of the chance for something absolutely new, for a new birth, for the expectation, the hope, the hope against hope (Rom. 4:18) in a transforming future.

Without it we are left without hope and are absorbed by rational management techniques."

--John D. Caputo, *On Religion*

*Hymn of Praise

We Join in Proclaiming

ASH GROVE



We join in pro - claim - ing the faith we be - lieve in: that God is Cre -
O God, we have pon - dered through years of our his - tory how you are Cre -
In - hab - it your peo - ple, your love in us dwell - ing, so that we may



a - tor and we are God's own. We trust in Christ Je - sus and
a - tor and Spir - it and Son. We pray and we stud - y and
trust you, di - vine three in one. Guide us in your wis - dom; let



glad - ly re - ceive him, for we have been blessed by the love Christ has
call it a mys - tery that you are three per - sons and yet you are
us heed your call - ing to share the good news that, in you, love has



shown. Christ died and is ris - en and, one with the Cre - a - tor, Christ
one. Cre - at - ing and sav - ing, your church here re - new - ing, you
won. We en - dure through the suff'r - ing, our char - act - ter trans - form - ing, your



reigns now in hea - ven, still lov - ing the earth. The Spir - it of God that moved
still are one God work - ing man - y good ways. May we hum - bly thank you for
hope in us ris - ing, so we shall not fail. We come now be - fore you, our



o - ver the wa - ters now moves here a - mong us, em - power - ing Christ's church.
all you are do - ing! O God in three per - sons, we of - fer you praise.
voi - ces a - dor - ing your un - fail - ing good - ness, for your grace pre - vails!

*Invocation

Ms. Sharon Siffert

Hymn of Prayer 530

I've Got Peace Like a River

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

Prayers of the People

God, in your mercy...
Give us peace, joy, and love like a river.

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. Siffert

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

Offertory

Dr. Slocum

*Doxology 50

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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

The Reading

Romans 5:1-5

Rev. Russell

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hope that Does Not Disappoint

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

“‘Hope’ is the thing with feathers -
That perches in the soul -
And sings the tune without the words -
And never stops - at all -.”

--Emily Dickinson

Hymn of Communion 393	<i>One Bread, One Body</i>	ONE BREAD, ONE BODY
Invitation to Commune		Rev. Russell
The Elder's Prayer		Ms. Susan Mathes
The Words of Institution		Rev. Russell
Please come forward to share in Communion. Partake by breaking off a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. (The bread is gluten-free.) If you are unable to come forward, someone will come to you.		
Invitation to Discipleship		Rev. Russell
*Hymn of Discipleship 290	<i>I Cannot Dance, O Love</i>	BRED DINA VIDA VINGAR
Affirmation of Responses		Rev. Russell
Pastoral Benediction and Charge		Rev. Russell
Postlude	<i>Prelude on "Richmond"</i> And all the people said... AMEN!	Dr. Slocum

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, 6/16: 10:30 a.m. - Coffee hour in the narthex
4:00 p.m. - Memorial service for Ruth Jorgensen
Mon., 6/17: 10:30 a.m. - Cleveland Christian Home's Scramble for Kids at Elyria Country Club
Tue., 6/18: 6:30 p.m. - Joanna Circle gathering at the home of Barbara Terrell, 39900 Hope Court

The flowers in the chancel today are in honor of Janet Long's 6/15 birthday, with love from Dan.

Today's image is *Trinity* by BenWill.

