



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

Worship of God

November 10, 2019 – 9:30 a.m.: Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

Mr. Evan Collins

Greeting

Rev. Nathan A. 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

Lift up your hearts...

Rev. Russell

We lift them to the Lord!

Prelude

Mr. Collins and Ms. Pam Sheetz

May Jesus Christ Be Praised!

Meditation of Preparation

“Like creation, resurrection is a preeminently supernatural act, a miraculous reversal of the course of nature... Resurrection thus recapitulates but also transcends the creation of humanity. The miracle of the end-time restores the miracle of the beginning.”

--Jon Levenson, *Resurrection and the Restoration of Israel*



Some peo - ple who ques - tioned that there's res - ur - rec - tion asked Je - sus to
 "Not one time, but sev - en! When she gets to hea - ven, now which bro - ther's
 O God, we're still try - ing to un - der - stand dy - ing and ma - ny still



tell them of heav - en - ly life. "The teach - ing of Mo - ses says
 wife will that poor wi - dow be?" So Je - sus said clear - ly the
 won - der if hea - ven is real. Yet Christ clear - ly told us that



our faith sup - po - ses a bro - ther must mar - ry her dead hus - band's
 ans - wer's not near - ly the same as the map - ping of some fam - ily
 death can - not hold us; we'll know of a new life your love will re -



kin. They said, "It's a sure thing; a man needs some off - spring, so
 tree. "In this life folks mar - ry, but those who are worth - y find
 veal. Through Je - sus, re - mind us, by your lov - ing kind - ness, as



one wo - man mar - ried her dead hus - band's kin. 'Twas first to one bro - ther, and
 hea - ven is dif - ferent; they won't mar - ry there. Like an - gel's in hea - ven, as
 A - bra - ham I - saac, and Ja - cob still live, when all stand be - fore you, we'll



then to an - oth - er, not one time but man - y, she mar - ried a - gain.
 God's cher - ished child - ren, they'll know of a life that's be - yond all com - pare.
 praise and a - dore you; and sing with the an - gels of life that you give!

*Invocation

Dr. Chad Vickers

Moment for Stewardship

Mr. Chuck Baumgartner

Hymn of Prayer 638

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

PROMISE

Prayers of the People

God of resurrection...
Lead us from death into life.

Rev. Russell

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 306

Hear Our Prayer

HEAR OUR PRAYER

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts

Dr. Vickers

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

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

Chancel Choir

*Doxology 528

Give Thanks

GIVE THANKS

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, God's son.
And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!**

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

The Reading

Luke 20:27-38

Rev. Russell

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Children of the Resurrection

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"The resurrection is god's definitive triumph over crucifying evil power. The resurrection shows that evil has no stable existence... The resurrection of Jesus is god's last laugh."

--Kelly Brown Douglass, *Crucifixion, Resurrection, and the Reversal of Power*

Hymn of Communion 518

BEGINNINGS

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

The Elder's Prayer

Ms. Sandy Rieth

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 228

The Day of Resurrection

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Affirmation of Responses 341

Rev. Russell

Pastoral Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

Al post Communio
And all the people said...
AMEN!

Mr. Collins

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.

†Hymn text by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Today, 11/10: 10:45 a.m. - Sunday School
3:00 p.m. - Organ recital by Evan Collins in the sanctuary
- Mon., 11/11: 3:00 p.m. - Outreach Committee meeting in the Elders' conference room
4:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee meeting in the Elders' conference room
6:30 p.m. - Advent study in Fellowship Hall
- Tue., 11/12: 10:00 a.m. - Advent study in Fellowship Hall
4:15 p.m. - Staff meeting in Pastor Nathan's office
5:30 p.m. - Elders' supper meeting in the Elders' conference room
7:00 p.m. - Board meeting in Fellowship Hall
- Wed., 11/13: 5:30 p.m. - Weekly youth group (grades 6-12) supper gathering
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary
- Fri., 11/15: 7:00 p.m. - Disciples Men's Fall Retreat at Camp Christian (ends 11/16)
- Sat., 11/16: Hot Meal served at Elyria Salvation Army (Mark & Susan Mathes team)

Today's image is *Roots*, by Frida Kahlo. "Frida stated her faith that all life can join in a single flow. In this painting, Frida is depicted as her torso opens up like a window and gives birth to a vine. It's her dream of being able to give birth as a childless woman." www.fridakahlo.org/roots.jsp

