



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

## Worship of God

February 2, 2020 – 9:30 a.m.: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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

Rev. Russell

Lift up your hearts...

**We lift them to the Lord!**

Prelude

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

Whitechapel Ringers



## Discipline of Silence

"On the one hand we are called to play the good Samaritan on life's roadside; but that will be only an initial act. One day we must come to see that the whole Jericho road must be transformed so that men and women will not be constantly beaten and robbed as they make their journey on life's highway. True compassion is more than flinging a coin to a beggar; it is not haphazard and superficial. It comes to see that an edifice which produces beggars needs restructuring."

--Martin Luther King, Jr, *A Time to Break Silence*, at Riverside Church

Hymn of Communion 400 *When You Do This, Remember Me*

LORETTO

Invitation to Commune

Ms. Reshad

The Elder's Prayer

Ms. Chris Baumgartner

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

*O God, You Call for Justice*<sup>†</sup>

AURELIA



O God, you call for just - ice, for good - ness, nev - er greed!  
O God, you call for kind - ness in - stead of keep - ing score;  
You call us to walk humb - ly, for we are not our own;  
O God, may our great na - tion seek just - ice as we should,  
You seek a world of fair - ness where all have what they need.  
You seek a world that wel - comes the ref - u - gee and more.  
We all are poor and need - y; we need the grace you've shown.  
and work with ded - i - ca - tion to seek the com - mon good.  
Where all have food and wat - er and homes in which to thrive,  
Lord, where there is in - just - ice may we work to pro - tect give:  
May we re - spond to oth - ers re - flect - ing what you give:  
We're blessed to be a bless - ing; may we with - in our law  
Where all have hope and laugh - ter and joy to be a - live.  
the strug - gling ones, and the voice - less that oth - ers would re - ject.  
com - pas - sion, kind - ness, just - tice, so all may glad - ly live.  
seek just - ice and com - pas - sion that reach - es out to all.

Affirmation of Responses 341

Rev. Russell

Pastoral Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

*Improvisation on Abbot's Leigh*  
And all the people said...

WACC Orchestra

**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.

†Hymn text by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

#### CALENDAR

Today, 2/2: 11:00 a.m. - Sunday School in the youth rooms with Kristi Miller, Lorain County Consortium on Human Trafficking

#### February Discovery Hour Schedule:

February 9—Dennis Schmidt, "Love Is A Many Splendid Thing" (explaining the four ancient Greek words we translate as love)

February 16—John Rodenberg, Week of Compassion (sharing about WoC's work in the refugee camps in Southeast Asia)

February 23—Mark Mathes, "Kenya: The Land and People You May Not Know"

Wed., 2/5: 5:30 p.m. - Weekly youth group (gr. 6-12) supper and gathering in Fellowship Hall and the youth rooms

6:25 p.m. - Whitechapel Ringers rehearsal in the sanctuary

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary

Sat., 2/8: 4:00 p.m. - Jesus and Dr. Seuss (faith formational class for ages 3-12 and their parents)

