



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

Worship of God

April 5, 2020: Palm Sunday

Chiming the Hour

Mr. Evan Collins

Greeting

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

The Lord is with you.
And also with you.

Call to Worship

Rev. Russell

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

Prelude

Pastorale

Mr. Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"It is not for nothing that an ominous feeling often attaches itself to a procession... In films and stories we see spectacles forming in the street and parades coming from around the corner, and we know to greet them with distrust and apprehension: their intent is still to be revealed."
--Eudora Welty, *One Writer's Beginnings*

Hymn of Praise 192

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

Invocation

Ms. Cindy Johnson

Hymn of Prayer 181

The Storm Is Strong

LLEF

Prayer of Confession

All

Holy God, sure of your faithfulness even in your dying, comforted by your compassion toward your people in every age, we beg your mercy for our imperfect gratitude. We have looked to you for paltry favors, when you have given everything. We have withheld from your people, our neighbors, and from your creation, our Earth, the care and tending they deserve. We have rejected the cornerstone you sent to build a people of righteousness even here, today. Forgive our failings. Heal what we have broken, nurture what we have neglected, and lead us to your vision, so that we may know the peace of wholeness in you; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

O God in Christ...
Give us your faith and still our storm.

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	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	HEAR OUR PRAYER
Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts		Rev. Russell
Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.		
Offertory		Mr. Collins
Doxology		ST. BRENDAN’S
All praise to the Sovereign, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, God’s only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one. This our hymn of thanksgiving, let us sing once again This our hymn of thanksgiving, let us sing: Amen!		
The Reading	Matthew 21:1-11	Rev. Russell
For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...		
Thanks be to God.		
Sermon	Riding Into Turmoil	Rev. Russell
Discipline of Silence		
“I’ve gotta get in step while there’s still time left / I’m ready to move out in front / Life without life has no reason or rhyme left / With the rest of them / With the best of them / I wanna hold my head up high / I need a goal again / I need a drive again / I wanna feel my heart coming alive again / Before the parade passes by.”		
--Jerry Herman, <i>Before the Parade Passes By</i>		
Hymn of Communion 183	<i>We Meet You, O Christ</i>	STANLEY BEACH
Invitation to Commune		Rev. Russell
Prayer		Becky Thompson
Words of Institution		Rev. Russell
Hymn of Discipleship 465	<i>We Are Called to Follow Jesus</i>	WE ARE CALLED
Pastoral Benediction and Charge		Rev. Russell

Postlude

In Silent Night
And all the people said...
AMEN!

Mr. Collins

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

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OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

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