



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

## Worship of God

May 31, 2020, 9:30 a.m.: Pentecost Sunday

Chiming the Hour

Mr. Evan Collins

Greeting

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Christ is risen!  
**Christ is risen indeed!**

Call to Worship

Rev. Russell

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

Prelude

*Come, Thou Almighty King (Italian Hymn)*

Mr. Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"One day you'll look back / And when you see / Where you were held / How by this love /  
While you could stand there / You could move on this moment / Follow this feeling / It's  
alright, it's alright, it's alright / She moves in mysterious ways"

--U2, *Mysterious Ways*

Hymn of Praise

*Deep in the Shadows of the Past<sup>t</sup>*

KINGSFOLD

Invocation

Mr. Dan Clark

Hymn of Prayer 592

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

PENTECOST

Prayers of the People

Let us feel your Spirit, O God...  
**And may we be sheltered by your care.**

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 305

CHILDREN PRAYING

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts

Rev. Russell

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

Offertory

*Praeludium in B<sup>b</sup>*

Mr. Collins

Doxology 50

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose  
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Reading

Numbers 11:24-30

Rev. Russell

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

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Outside the Tent

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Luke attempts to tell a story of the orderly descent of the Spirit, but such a phenomenon is not particularly conducive to order. Because Luke is 'playing with fire' here, we can identify places where the flames have escaped the boundaries he has erected in his attempt to contain it... Luke may have attempted to contain the egalitarian spirit movement within [Acts 2] but the images of the Spirit's descent in wind and flame [are] too powerful to be contained."

--Shelly Matthews, *The Acts of the Apostles*

Hymn of Communion 518 *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

BEGINNINGS

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer

Ms. Polly Simmons

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship

*We Are the Church*<sup>††</sup>

PORT JERVIS

Pastoral Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

*The Majesty and Glory of Your Name*

Mr. Collins

And all the people said...

**AMEN!**

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

Today's image is *Holy-Spirit-Coming* by He Qi, [www.heqiart.com](http://www.heqiart.com)

†Hymn text by Brian Wren

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Today's Pentecost floral arrangement is in memory of Harold & Gladys Clark and family.

### **OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Today, 5/31: 9:30 a.m. - Online, #VirtualWorship premiere\*

Mon., 6/1: 7:00 p.m. - Online *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart* premiere\*\*

Tue., 6/2: 7:45 a.m. - Devotional gathering with *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)\*\*\*

Wed., 6/3: 7:00 p.m. - Online, #VirtualWorship vespers premiere\*

\*All Sunday morning worship services (9:30 a.m.) and Wednesday vespers (7 p.m.) may be experienced online at: [waccelyria.org/online](http://waccelyria.org/online)

All services remain online on our [YouTube channel](#) for your viewing convenience.

\*\*All Monday (7 p.m.) *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart* premieres may be experienced online at: [waccelyria.org/childrenscorner](http://waccelyria.org/childrenscorner)

\*\*\*Register here for our Tuesday, 7:45 a.m. devotional times (on Zoom) at: [waccelyria.org/upperroom](http://waccelyria.org/upperroom)

Prayer requests may be submitted by contacting the church office or online at: [waccelyria.org/pray](http://waccelyria.org/pray)

Contributions may be submitted to the church office or online at: [waccelyria.org/give](http://waccelyria.org/give)

