



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

Worship of God

June 21, 2020, 9:30 a.m.: The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

Mr. Evan Collins

Greeting

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

The Spirit of God is with you!
And also with you!

Call to Worship

Rev. Russell

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

Prelude *Praise the Name of Jesus/All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Mr. Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"To most Christians, the Bible is like a software license. Nobody actually reads it. They just scroll to the bottom and click 'I agree.'"

--Bill Maher

Hymn of Praise *Jesus, You Once Called Disciples* IN BABILONE

Invocation Ms. Virginia Douglas

Hymn of Prayer 675 *When Will People Cease Their Fighting?* RUSTINGTON

Prayers of the People

God of justice and shalom...
Help us strive for peace with vigor.

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 *Glorify Thy Name* Mr. Collins

Doxology 379 *Accept, O God, the Gifts We Bring* ELLACOMBE
**Accept, O God, the gifts we bring of spirit and of clay,
Transform them into blessings on those we serve today.
Rekindle deep within us all a passion to fulfill
The ministry disciples have, empower'd to do your will.**

The Reading Matthew 10:16-39 Rev. Russell
For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Help Wanted: Disciples of Christ (Part 2) Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Without higher-quality material to work with, God resorts to working through us for others and upon us through others. Those are some weirdly restorative, disconcerting shenanigans to be caught up in: God forcing God's people to see themselves as God sees them, to do stuff they know they are incapable of doing, so that God might make use of them, and make them to be both humble recipients and generous givers of grace, so that they may be part of God's big project on earth, so that they themselves might find unexpected joy through surprising situations."

--Nadia Bolz-Weber, *Accidental Saints*

Hymn of Communion 330 *Alleluia! Hear God's Story* W ZLOBIE LEZY

Invitation to Commune Rev. Russell

Prayer Rev. Lisa Reshad

Words of Institution Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship 680 *O God of Every Nation* NYLAND

Pastoral Benediction and Charge Rev. Russell

Postlude *We Call Ourselves Disciples* 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 *The Lord's Prayer* by He Qi, www.heqiart.com

Today's floral arrangement is in honor of Pastor Nathan Russell for his dedicated efforts in creating high-quality worship experiences and shepherding the WACC flock, with love from Jane Hutson and Brenda Keenan.

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today, 6/21: 9:30 a.m. - Online, #VirtualWorship premiere*
Mon., 6/22: 7:00 p.m. - Online *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart* premiere**
Tue., 6/23: 7:45 a.m. - Devotional gathering with *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)***
Wed., 6/24: 7:00 p.m. - Online, #VirtualWorship vespers premiere*
Thu., 6/25: 10:00 a.m. - All-Church Social Hour (on Zoom)****

*All Sunday morning worship services (9:30 a.m.) and Wednesday vespers (7 p.m.) may be experienced online at: 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

All *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart* remain online on our [YouTube channel](#) for your viewing convenience.

***Register here (at least 24 hours in advance) for our Tuesday, 7:45 a.m. devotional time (on Zoom) at: waccelyria.org/upperroom

****Contact the church office to obtain the log-in information for this event.

Prayer requests may be submitted by contacting the church office or online at: waccelyria.org/pray

Contributions may be submitted to the church office or online at: waccelyria.org/give

