



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

Worship of God

August 2, 2020, 9:30 a.m.: The Ninth 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

Come Just as You Are

Mr. Collins

Meditation for Preparation

“Words are things. You must be careful, careful about calling people out of their names, using racial pejoratives and sexual pejoratives and all that ignorance. Don’t do that. Someday we’ll be able to measure the power of words. I think they are things. They get on the walls. They get in your wallpaper. They get in your rugs, in your upholstery, and your clothes, and finally into you.”

--Maya Angelou

Hymn of Praise

O God Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

Invocation

Mr. Bob Rieth

Hymn of Prayer

You Are Mine

YOU ARE MINE

Prayers of the People

Call us by our name, O God...
And do not let us be afraid.

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.

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Amen

AMEN

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts

Rev. Russell

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

Offertory

We Have Met to Worship

Mr. Collins

Doxology 15 *Rejoice, You Pure in Heart* MARION
Praise God who rules all worlds; the risen Christ adore.
Praise God the Spirit, Holy Fire, one God forevermore!
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

The Reading Genesis 32:22-31 Rev. Russell
For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...
Thanks be to God.

Sermon What's in a Name? Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence
"My name is growing all the time, and I've lived a very long, long time; so my name is like a story. Real names tell you the story of the things they belong to in my language, in the Old Entish as you might say. It is a lovely language, but it takes a very long time to say anything in it, because we do not say anything in it, unless it is worth taking a long time to say, and to listen to."
--J. R. R. Tolkein, *The Two Towers*

Hymn of Communion 10 *Bring Many Names* WESTCHASE

Invitation to Commune Rev. Russell

Prayer Ms. Sandy Rieth

Words of Institution Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship 633 *Lead On, O Cloud of Presence* LANCASHIRE

Pastoral Benediction and Charge Rev. Russell

Postlude *Fugue in G Major* 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 artwork is *Jacob Wrestling with God* by Jack Baumgartner.

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today, 8/2: 9:30 a.m. - Energetic, Liturgical Worship*
Mon., 8/3: 7:00 p.m. - Online *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart* premiere**
6:00 p.m. - Worship Committee meeting (on Zoom)
Tue., 8/4: 7:45 a.m. - Zoom Devotional gathering of *The Upper Room****
Wed., 8/5: 7:00 p.m. - "The Alternative"*

*Sunday and Wednesday opportunities for worship premiere at their respective times on our website and YouTube channel. See: waccelyria.org/online Past services are available on our website and [YouTube channel](#).

***Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart* premieres online at: waccelyria.org/childrenscorner Past episodes are available on our [YouTube channel](#).

***Register at waccelyria.org/upperroom for our Tuesday, 7:45 a.m. Zoom devotional gathering.

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

