



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

Worship of God

June 27, 2021, 9:30am: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

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

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

Mr. Evan Collins

Meditation for Preparation

“There is a difference between curing and healing, and I believe the church is called to the slow and difficult work of healing. We are called to enter into one another’s pain, anoint it as holy, and stick around no matter the outcome.”

--Rachel Held Evans, *Searching for Sunday*

Hymn of Praise

Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy⁺

ARISE

Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, Weak and wound - ed, sick and sore;
 Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come, God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;
 Let not con - science make you lin - ger, Nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;
 Come, ye wear - y, heav - y lad - en, Lost and ru - ined by the fall;
 I will a - rise and go to Je - sus, he will em - brace me with his arms;

Je - sus read - y stands to save you, Full of pit - y, love and pow'r.
 True be - lief and true re - pen - tance, Ev - ery grace that brings you nigh.
 All the fit - ness he re - quir - eth Is to feel your need of him.
 If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, You will nev - er come at all.
 In the arms of my dear sav - ior, O, there are ten thou - sand charms.

Invocation

Mr. Don Hange, Jr.

Hymn of Prayer 506

Healer of Our Ev'ry Ill

HEALER

Prayers of the People

Healer of our every ill...

Grace us with your peace and gladness.

The Lord's Prayer 307

MALOTTE

Our Father, which 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.

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts

Rev. Russell

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

Offertory

Mr. Collins and Mr. Mark Wainwright

The Love of God

Doxology 715

Doxology

NUN DANKET

**All praise and thanks to God our Father and our Mother,
to Christ and to the One who binds us to each other,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

The Reading

Mark 5:21-43

Rev. Russell

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Promise in the Gospel

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"It happens to all of us," I concluded that Easter Sunday morning. "God simply keeps reaching down into the dirt of humanity and resurrecting us from the graves we dig for ourselves through our violence, our lies, our selfishness, our arrogance, and our addictions. And God keeps loving us back to life over and over."

--Nadia Bolz-Weber, *Pastrix*

Hymn of Communion 392

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

UNION SEMINARY

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Elder's Prayer

Ms. Nancy Walker

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship (Insert)

God of Every Generation

WAUWATOSA

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

God of Every Generation

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 *Healing of the Daughter of Jairus* (1973) JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

*Words by Joseph Hart

Flowers in the chancel today are in memory of Shirley Shubert.

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 6/27: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary, followed by a congregational meeting to elect 2021-22 lay leaders
11am - Choir rehearsal in the Music Room
6pm - YouTube premiere of the 9:30am worship service
- Mon., 6/28: 3:30pm - Christian Education Committee gathering at The Foundry Kitchen & Bar
7pm - YouTube premiere of *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart*
- Tue., 6/29: 7:45am - Devotional gathering for *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
- Wed., 6/30: 5:30pm - Outdoor retirement celebration for Jeff & Sharon Evans
7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative
- Thu., 7/1: 10am - All-Church Social Hour (on Zoom)**

*First-timers may register at waccelyria.org for these online, weekly devotional gatherings.

**Contact the church office for log-in information for this bi-weekly, online chat.

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