



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

Worship of God

July 18, 2021, 9:30am: The Eighth 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

Ms. Kristen Jones and Mr. Evan Collins
Song of Thanks

Meditation for Preparation

"Caring for myself is not self-indulgence, it is self-preservation, and that is an act of political warfare."
--Audre Lorde

Hymn of Praise 503

O Christ, the Healer

ROCKINGHAM

Invocation

Ms. Marilyn Bauer

Hymn of Prayer

Shepherd Me, O God[†]

SHEPHERD ME

Prayers of the People

Shepherd us, O God...
Move us from death into life.

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 314

Amen

AMEN

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts

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

Rev. Russell

Offertory

Write Your Blessed Name

Ms. Jones and Mr. Collins

Doxology

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GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, God's son. And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich," Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

The Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...
Thanks be to God.

Rev. Russell

Shepherd Me, O God

1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from death in-to life.

1, 2, 3.

God is my shep-herd, so noth-ing shall I want, I rest in the mead-ows of
Gent - ly you raise me and heal my wea - ry soul, you lead me by path - ways of
Though I should wan - der the val - ley of death, I fear no e - vil, for

1, 2, 3.

faith - ful - ness and love, I walk by the qui - et wa - ters of peace.
righ - teous - ness and truth, my spir - it shall sing the mu - sic of your name.
you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my com - fort and my hope.

4.

You have set me a ban-quet of love in the face of ha - tred,

crown-ing me with love be - yond my power to hold.

5.

Sure - ly your kind-ness and mer-cy fol-low me all the days of my life; I will
dwell in the house of my God for - ev - er - more.

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from death in-to life.

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SHEPHERD ME

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Sermon

Come and Find the Quiet Center

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Self-care is never a selfish act - it is simply good stewardship of the only gift I have, the gift I was put on earth to offer others. Anytime we can listen to true self and give the care it requires, we do it not only for ourselves, but for the many others whose lives we touch."

--Parker Palmer, *Let Your Life Speak*

Hymn of Communion 506

Healer of Our Ev'ry Ill

HEALER

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer at the Table

Ms. Debby Willets

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship 538

Hope of the World

VICAR

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
And all the people said...

Mr. Collins

AMEN!

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

Today's artwork is *The Grand Canyon* by Thomas Moran. A print of this artwork hangs in the dining room at WACC.

*Lyrics by Marty Haugen

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 7/18: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary
6pm - YouTube premiere of the 9:30am worship service
- Mon., 7/19: 7pm - YouTube premiere of *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart*
- Tue., 7/20: 7:45am - Devotional gathering for *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
5pm - Outreach Committee meeting (on Zoom)
- Wed., 7/21: 7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative
- Sat., 7/24: 3-6pm - Erin Sweeten's graduation party in Fellowship Hall. The Sweeten family invites The WACC church family to share in this happy occasion.

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

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

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