



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

Worship of God

January 23, 2022, 9:30am: Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

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

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Call to Worship

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

Rev. Russell

Prelude

Christians, We Have Met to Worship

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"We are not unlike the disciples after the resurrection. They were a people whose hopes had been crucified by the very nails that pinned Jesus to the cross. There was no confidence left in them; the future they longed for had seemed to die with Christ. They had depended on him to bring about the fulfillment of the promise of God. With Christ dead, they had nothing to look forward to. Their hopes had been misplaced, and emptiness was all that remained; but the rumors began to come—he lived, some saw him, and the hopes that were dying began to live again."

--Emilie M. Townes, *The Doctor Ain't Taking No Sticks*

Hymn of Communion 403

In Remembrance of Me

RED

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer at the Table

Ms. Sandy Rieth

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship

Christ Has Called Us to New Visions¹

NETTLETON



Christ has called us to new vi - sions, here to cel - e - brate and praise, here con -
 As we lis - ten to each oth - er, as we speak in joy and pain, we be -
 All cre - a - tion strug - gles, yearn - ing for a time of true sha - lom. Are we col -
 Christ still calls us, young and ag - ing, men and wo - men, bound and free, col -



fess our old di - vi - sions, here our peace pe - ti - tions raise. Come re -
 come as sis - ter, broth - er, rec - on - ciled, at one a - gain. On - ly
 try - ing, are we learn - ing now to make the earth our home? For the
 tal - ents, thoughts en - gag - ing, joined in one com - mu - ni - ty. Christ re -



pent - ant, come for - giv - ing, come in joy and hope and prayer. Christ, once
 thus in work and feel - ing, for our neigh - bor far or near can we
 hun - gry and de - spair - ing, for the poor of all the earth, make us
 mold - ing, heal - ing, lead - ing, sins for - give - en! Life re - stored! Let us



cru - ci - fied, now liv - ing, bids us faith and love to share.
 wor - ship God, re - veal - ing gifts of grace a - mong us here.
 part - ners, bur - dens shar - ing, bring - ing all a sense of worth.
 live, God's jus - tice heed - ing, strength - ened by our ris - en Lord.

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

The Lord's My Shepherd
And all the people said...
AMEN!

Rev. Russell

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

Today's artwork is *Rising Dust* (2016) by Lauren Wright Pittman lewpstudio.com.

'Words by Jane Parker Huber, 1926-2008

Flowers in the chancel today are in memory of the birthday of Harold M. Clark (1/26/1898), provided in perpetuity by his son, Edward Clark.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 1/23: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary
11am - *Two or More* scripture discussion group in the Gibbens room
- Community Choir rehearsal in the music room
6pm - YouTube premiere of the 9:30am worship service
- Mon., 1/24: 7pm - YouTube premiere of *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart*
- Tue., 1/25: 7:45am - Devotional gathering for *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
4pm - Church Life & Growth Committee meeting (on Zoom)
6:30pm - Christian Education Committee meeting (hybrid)
- Wed., 1/26: 7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative
- Thu., 1/27: 10am - Social Hour (on Zoom)**

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

**Contact the church office for the link to this bi-weekly, online chat.



We are thrilled that you are worshiping God with us in-person and/or online. Scan this QR code with a smartphone to register your attendance, submit a prayer request, and make an online contribution.

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