

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

Worship of God

February 27, 2022, 9:30am: Week of Compassion and Transfiguration Sunday

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

The Spirit of God is with you!

And also with you!

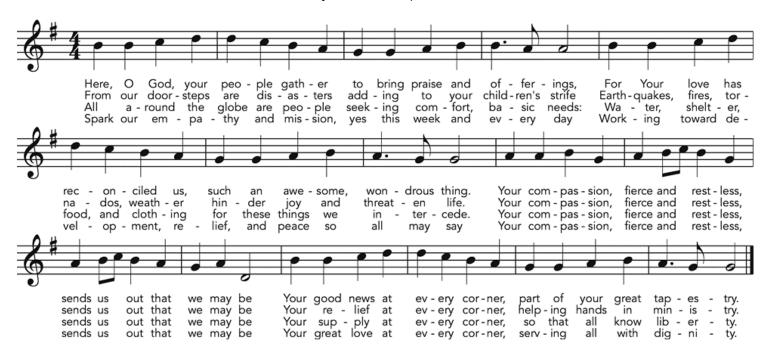
Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Call to Worship

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

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Compassion



Meditation for Preparation

"Probably the best thing we can do is to relax, take a deep breath, stop thinking about what we want or need, and forget about it. Seeking God, that is. Instead we might wait, and begin to silently ponder the ways in which God may already have been seeking us, all along, in the faulty, scary stuff of our ordinary lives."

--Kathleen Norris, Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith

Hymn of Praise

Hymn of Compassion¹

HYMN TO JOY

Invocation

Dr. Chad Vickers



Prayers of the People

God of fierce compassion...

Transform all our ways.

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.

Invitation to Stewardship

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

Rev. Russell

Offertory

Take My Gifts

Mr. Collins

Doxology

Doxology¹

OURS THE JOURNEY

Take, O God, the gifts we offer, use them for your reign to bring justice that will flow like fountains, life from your abundant spring. God, you are our holy parent, and we sing our thanks to you. Let us see your future dawning, your world made anew.

The Reading

Luke 9:28-36 Rev. Courtney Richards For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Love (Transfigures and) Remains

Rev. Richards

Discipline of Silence

"Stands on the Rock (Peter) and the others were deep asleep, but they woke up and shook the sleep from their eyes. They saw Creator Sets Free (Jesus) with his face and clothes shining.... Stands on the Rock (Peter) spoke without thinking. 'Wisdomkeeper!' he said. 'This is a good place to stay.' ... After this they kept silent and told no one at that time what they had seen."

--Luke 9:32-33, 36, First Nations Version

Hymn of Communion 381

TALAVERA TERRACE

Take My Gifts and Let Me Love You

Invitation to Commune

Mr. Gerald Western

Words of Institution

Prayer at the Table

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Richards
Rev. Russell

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Hymn of Discipleship 459

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Rev. Richards

Postlude Mr. Collins

And all the people said... **AMFN!**

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

Today's artwork is *Transfiguration* (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.

¹Words by Nathan A. Russell ²Words by Ruth Duck

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today, 2/27: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary

11am - Chancel Choir rehearsal in the music room

- $\mathit{Two}\ \mathit{Or}\ \mathit{More}\ \mathsf{scripture}\ \mathsf{discussion}\ \mathsf{group}\ \mathsf{in}\ \mathsf{the}\ \mathsf{Gibbens}\ \mathsf{room}$

6pm - YouTube premiere of the 9:30am worship service

Mon., 2/28: 7pm - YouTube premiere of Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart

Tue., 3/1: 7:45am - Devotional gathering for *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*

Wed., 3/2: 7pm - District 2A Disciples Ash Wednesday Worship Service at North Eaton Christian

Church (35895 Royalton Rd., Eaton Twp.)

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



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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