



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

Worship of God

May 22, 2022, 9:30am: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Ms. Christa Rakich

Meditation for Preparation

"Embrace diversity. Unite—or be divided, robbed, ruled, killed by those who see you as prey.
Embrace diversity or be destroyed."

—Octavia Butler, *Parable of the Sower*

Hymn of Praise (Insert)

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*¹

HYFRYDOL



Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus, ris - en now to reign in love.
Al - le - lu - ia! Not as mourn - ers, are we left in sor - row now.
Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Heav - en, be on earth our food and stay.
Al - le - lu - ia! This, our jour - ney, to make known what Christ has done.



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Sav - ior; with the mul - ti - tudes a - bove.
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is near us, faith brings trust and mar - vels how.
Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful flee to you from day to day.
Death is van - quished! Sin is ban - ished! Jus - tice, joy and love have won!



There the songs of saints and mar - tyrs thun - der like a might - y flood,
Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er,
In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, plead for us,
Though the pow'rs of sin and ha - tred rage a - gainst God's world a - new,



"Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us with his love."
shall our hearts for - get the prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
we will shout our Al - le - lu - ias for God's fu - ture is in view!

Invocation

Ms. Janiah Jones

Hymn of Prayer 293

Out of Need and Out of Custom

GATHERING

Prayers of the People

God of human transformation...
Lead us ever on the journey.

The Lord's Prayer

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

Invitation to Stewardship

Rev. Russell

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

Offertory

Ms. Rakich

Doxology 15

Doxology

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

Romans 6:5-11

Rev. Russell

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Symphony of Resurrection

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Unity, not uniformity, must be our aim. We attain unity only through variety. Differences must be integrated, not annihilated, not absorbed."

–Mary Parker Follett

Hymn of Communion 222

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer at the Table

Mr. Dan Clark

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Christ Is Alive!

Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
Yes! Ev - ery gen - der, age, and to class, can feel - the
Christ is a - live and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty in Pal - the - sky. Let streets and homes with
years in or wealth di - vide, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
scorn, or hear the call, age; Christ suf - fers, still, - ing,
Spir - it, and ev - ery age; and till earth the and way, yet
this and ev - ery age; and till earth the and sky and the and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death shall nev - er die.
here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Hymn of Discipleship (Insert)

*Christ Is Alive!*²

TRURO

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

Ms. Rakich

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 *Journey with Jesus*, He Qi. www.heqiart.com

¹W. Chatterton Dix, 1866, vv.1-3, alt.; Nathan A. Russell, v. 4

²Brian A. Wren, 1968, 1978

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 5/22: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary
11am - *Two Or More* scripture discussion group in the Gibbens room
6pm - YouTube premiere of morning worship
- Mon., 5/23: 7pm - YouTube premiere of *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart*
- Tue., 5/24: 7:45am - Devotional gathering using *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
6:30pm - Christian Education Committee meeting (hybrid)
- Wed., 5/25: 10am-2pm - Labyrinth available (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)
7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative
- Fri., 5/27: Disciples Fellowship Retreat at Camp Christian (ends 5/29)

*First-timers may register at waccelyria.org 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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UKRAINE**



HOW YOU CAN HELP

➤ REFUGEE SUPPORT

-The Lorain County for Ukraine Committee (LC4Ukraine) meets monthly and is facilitated by County Commissioner Matt Lundy. The committee continues to prepare to welcome Ukrainian refugees to Lorain County.

Contact Info: natasha.reidy@gmail.com

➤ LOCAL SUPPORT

-Visit Ukrainian owned small businesses in Ukrainian Village in Parma, Ohio
(More info @ www.ukrainianvillageparma.org)

-Cleveland Maidan Association (More info @ www.clevelandmaidan.info)

-Ukrainian Cultural Arts Center of Greater Cleveland
(More info @ www.ucaacleveland.org)

➤ FINANCIAL SUPPORT

-Checks can be mailed to:

(Note on check: "Humanitarian Help")

St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy

PO. Box 347180

Parma, Ohio 44147

***All donations are being sent directly to Ukraine for humanitarian aid.